

## **Ikebana International, Cape Town Chapter**

and

### **The Cape Town Regional Group of Ohara School of Ikebana, South African Chapter**

have been meeting at the Athenaeum since the 1970s. The Ikebana International Cape Town Chapter closed in 2004 but the Regional group of Ohara School in Cape Town still have monthly meetings at the Athenaeum where the art of Ikebana is taught leading to certificates granted by the Head Quarters of the School in Japan from Beginners to Masters degrees.

Ikebana is practised by enthusiastic volunteers of many different nationalities. Many different schools of Ikebana operate in Japan and throughout the world. Some schools stress classical styles, others focus on creative, contemporary forms and some blend the two, each school different yet each openly sharing its aspirations, styles, philosophy, history and techniques.

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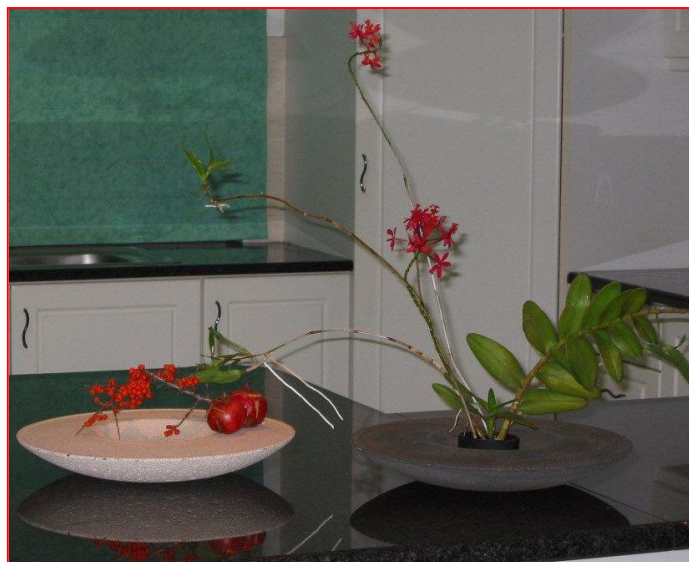
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A class at the Athenaeum on 12<sup>th</sup> September 2013



A display at the Artscape theatre complex on 19<sup>th</sup> October 2013.



Morimono style arrangements in two locally made containers



Spring landscape arrangement



Prof Nanba giving an Ohara Ikebana class at the Athenaeum