

Friends of Sumi-e

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President's notes:

We all owe Gaye and Ron a big Thank You! for opening their lovely home for our Annual Meeting once again. There was a good turnout and lots of good food, gifts and the final offering of garage paper/books/frames/etc. We wish the remaining supplies well on their journey to the thrift store! Thank you Gaye for storing it all while we chipped away at the supply and for sending it on its final journey.

Our big show will soon be here and many of you have been offering your talents and time. Thank you! And for those who are still waiting in the wings, it is not too late to ask Gaye (ralsgal@gmail.com) where help is needed.

First Wednesdays are happening in Room 104 for our November show preparation, and our Saturday workshops will be for the show and December Nights projects. Come with your matting, framing, stretching questions or just come to join the fun!

Still learning,

Sylvia



Sachiko Kohatsu, President of the Ikenobo Chapter of San Diego (Ikebana), presented an informational program at the September San Diego Botanical Garden Foundation meeting. As a part of her presentation, she created these four Ikebana arrangements. Sachiko is an Ikenobo Ikebana master. We are honored to have her as a member of Friends of Sumi-e.

ANNUAL GATHERING

Many members and “newbies” attended this year’s Annual Gathering, enjoying the pleasant weather, good food and each other’s company. We were able, too, to find loving homes for the last of the “garage paper”, picture frames and books that have been languishing in Gaye’s mom’s garage. A successful event again this year!

SOCIETY OUTREACH EVENTS

Come see us at

- Taste of Japan on Saturday, September 27th at Embolden Beer Company, 8655 Production Avenue, Suite A, San Diego, CA 92121. We’ll be there from 1PM to 6PM.
 - San Diego Bonsai Club Show, Room 101, Casa del Prado, Balboa Park. We’ll be just outside the main entrance from 11AM to 4PM September 27th and 28th
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OCTOBER WORKSHOP & MEETING WORKING WORKSHOP!

Saturday, October 4, 2025
9:00 am to Noon
Room 104, Casa del Prado, Balboa Park

We will work on the LANTERNS that many of us took with us at the ANNUAL GATHERING in September as well as begin work on ORNAMENTS for our tree submission for FESTIVAL OF TREES (December Nights) in Balboa Park. For each activity bring your usual painting supplies. You may also want to bring acrylic paints and appropriate brushes for use on the ornaments. There are NO additional LANTERNS, but the ORNAMENTS will be supplied. If we run out of those, we will have POSTCARDS available to paint as rumor has it that our hospitality person, Sandra, is running out!

If you picked up the SMALL lantern and are having issues with the little plastic “rib”, here are pictures provided by Sylvia that may help

If you have completed your lantern, please bring it with you to the workshop



SILICONE PAPER

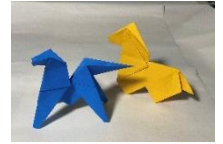


Mea culpa: Your editor jumped the gun and stated that Friends of Sumi-e would be increasing the cost of Silicone Paper. The Board discussed the matter and agreed to keep the price at \$5.00/yard for the time being. Many apologies.

Even dust, when piled up, can become a mountain. – Japanese Proverb



FIRST WEDNESDAY ORIGAMI GANG
Wednesday, October 1, 2025
9:00 AM to Noon
Room 104, Casa del Prado, Balboa Park



The last meeting we folded gift bags, envelopes and boxes. We also threw in a bunny by request. Next meeting Vickie plans on folding gift bags again. She will have glue sticks, scissors, ribbon and a hole punch available. Folks should bring their artwork earmarked for gift bags.

Since next year is the year of the horse, at the October meeting Vickie will demonstrate how to make two simple origami horses.

The first picture shows what we made in the last meeting. The second shows the origami horses.

NOVEMBER EXHIBITION

Our November Exhibition preparation moves forward!

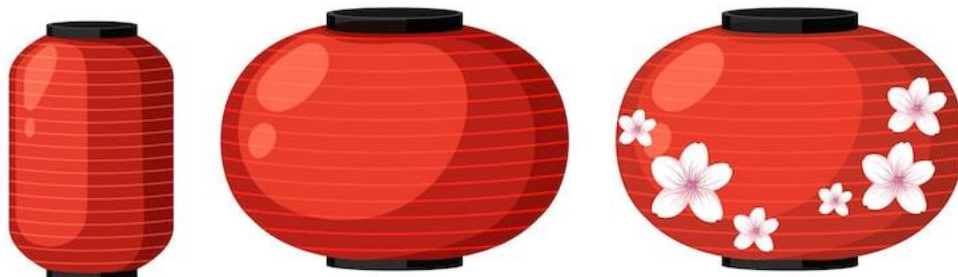
- We have Koto Players, Odori Dancers, Tea Ceremony and Master Painters all lined up for the cultural portion of our weekend.
- Many of us took home lanterns at the Annual Gathering to paint as part of the décor
- Publicity materials are being prepared
- A “marketplace” space is available for small sumi-e – related items such as matted but unframed paintings, old paintings to be sold as wrapping paper, and small textile items. (This is just a sample; more specifics will come later. If you have ideas, let us know.) I believe proceeds of sale of some of these items may go to the Society.
- The Hinadon space will display small sumi-e items, according to space availability.
- We’re all working on our masterpieces to enter into the exhibition.

We’ll be posting SignUp Genius in the near future so you can sign up for weekend “jobs”

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| • Tea table | • Hinadon Marketplace | • Security |
| • Reception | Textiles | • Use me where you need me |
| • Gift Wrap | • Interactive Demonstration | |
| • Origami | Table | |

The Exhibition Flyer is again attached to this Newsletter for you to share with your friends, family, neighbors, co-workers, dentist, etc.

Gaye & Team



Upcoming Workshops & Society Events/Activities
All in Room 104, Casa del Prado, Balboa Park from 9:00 AM to Noon unless otherwise noted

October	Wednesday	October 1	Wednesday Workshop	Origami with Vickie
	Saturday	October 4	Saturday Workshop	Preparation for Annual Art Exhibition & Festival of Trees
November	Wednesday	November 5	Wednesday Workshop	TBD
	Saturday	November 1	Saturday Workshop	Preparation for Annual Art Exhibition & Festival of Trees
	Friday-Sunday	November 21-23	Art Show Rm 101	50 th Annual Washu-Kai Exhibition
December	Wednesday	December 3	Wednesday Workshop	TBD
	Saturday	December 6	Saturday Workshop	Boulder Painting @ Denis Bates' Home



Joe Cross Classes – 1st Saturday of the month at 1:00 PM

Tuesday Painters: Currently on hiatus



A LITTLE COLORING EXERCISE