



Dear I.I. Friends,

The holidays are upon us and the year is coming to a close. We added yet more wonderful memories to our chapter's history in 2019, our golden anniversary year. May the celebrations and warm memories carry us into the new year and beyond with a renewed Ikebana spirit!

Speaking of the new year...our Programs Committee is busy planning some exciting events for 2020. Please stay tuned for more information.

Whichever holiday you celebrate, may peace and harmony find you and your loved ones this season and may your New Year be filled with hope and joy.

明けましておめでとうございます!

Our annual holiday party was quite the hit! It was an exciting and sociable event and the food did not disappoint. The wonderful potluck of gastronomical delights was a feast for our eyes as well as our bellies. The mingling was marvelous and the sounds of the acoustic guitar heightened the festivities, which concluded with a fun gift exchange.

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Art in Bloom

For those interested in participating in AIB at the Minneapolis Institute of Art next year, please note that there are some major changes to the registration process for Pedestal Floral Artists. Please click the button below for important information regarding the event.

[AIB registration instructions for 2020](#)

"I wonder if the snow *loves* the trees and fields, that it kisses them so gently? And then it covers them up snug, you know, with a white quilt; and perhaps it says, 'Go to sleep, darlings, till the summer comes again.' "

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