The North American Ohara Teachers Association

Cordially invites you to

A Live Ikebana Demonstration by

Headmaster Hiroki Ohara of the Ohara School of Ikebana

Monday, October 21, 2024 at 3:00 PM La Jolla Marriott Hotel, 4240 La Jolla Village Drive La Jolla, CA 92037



The Ohara School of Ikebana was founded in 1895 by its first Headmaster, Unshin Ohara, and is now one of the three leading ikebana schools in Japan with over one million members worldwide. In the late 19th century, ikebana was in a waning state, but it experienced a major revitalization with the invention by the First Headmaster of the Moribana or "piled-up flowers" style, which used for the first time a low ceramic container, rather than a tall vase, and recently imported flowers from the West. Moribana is now mainstream in all styles of ikebana and even in western floral design. The current Fifth Headmaster, Hiroki Ohara, is not only a master of all the classical forms and creator of new ones, he continues the Ohara tradition of innovation as the first person in the Ikebana world to blend ikebana with modern cutting-edge technology to create a new kind of artistic expression. His collaboration with Microsoft using its Hololens 2 headset device to create a magnificent real and virtual arrangement before a live audience has moved ikebana into a new generation. From its founding days to the present, Ohara ikebana art is recognized for its innovation, rigor, elegance, and natural vitality.

The ticket price is \$45. Please contact Anna Noah at annanoah125@gmail.com to reserve your spot. Seats are limited and are first come, first served.