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Associate Second Term Master  
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*“Ikebana & Dahlias of Mexico”*  
Zoom presentation for I.I. .Mexico City Chapter #228

**Demonstration Theme -**  
*(Bilingual film: Spanish/English)*

The beauty of Mexico’s Dahlias is legendary. Its pottery is ancient and coveted by collectors around the world. When the two are married by a consummate artist, the result is magical. Lidia Villalobos, a celebrated Ohara Ikebana sensei, beautifully demonstrates how to use Mexico’s signature bloom with seemingly effortless skill. With similar ease, Lidia has presented her artistry. Her fluidity between English and Spanish only augments the experience of Mexico's beauty and culture - the blooms, the containers, the fabulous arrangements.

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## Biography



**Lidia Villalobos** began studying ikebana during her nine- year stay in Tokyo, Japan. She is currently a Nikyu-Iemoto-Waki Kyoju (Associate Second Term Master) in the Ohara School of Ikebana. Lidia has also studied Ikenobo, Sangetsu (in Mexico), the art of Bonsai, and Japanese gardening.

Lidia has participated in demonstrations and exhibitions at Ohara Kaikan in Tokyo, Chicago Botanical Garden, Mexico Japan Association, The Cultural Center of the Japanese Embassy in Mexico, and World Trade Center of Mexico. She has been invited to participate on numerous programs and interviewed for the newspaper Reforma and the Adam Ramones Show.

Lidia is past-president Ikebana International Mexico City #228 (2019 – 2021) and Board Member, Ikebana Iwaya Fund.



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### Container and Materials list

<b>Arrangement #1</b>	
<b>Container</b>	<b>Material</b>
Black Volcanic Rock Mortar used to grind spices and make sauces	Dark pink Dahlia Stromanthe Leaf White and purple Cosmos Grasses Driftwood for antiquity

<b>Arrangement #2</b>	
<b>Container</b>	<b>Material</b>
Silver square container Used to keep tortillas warm	Horsetail (Equisetum) Dark burgundy Dahlias White Cosmos

<b>Arrangement #3</b>	
<b>Container</b>	<b>Material</b>
Day of The Dead display	Large orange Marigold Yellow and orange Dahlia

<b>Arrangement #4</b>	
<b>Container</b>	<b>Material</b>
Copper snail shaped vase	Orange w/yellow accent Cactus Dahlia Baby’s Breath Variegated leafy material Croton Palm



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<b>Arrangement #5</b>	
<b>Container</b>	<b>Material</b>
Round black clay with hand carved Dahlia Design	Red Dahlia White Dahlia Rattan spirals Solidago

<b>Arrangement #6</b>	
<b>Container</b>	<b>Material</b>
Blue and White hand-made clay Ginger Jar shaped vase	Driftwood Pampas grasses Light orange Dahlia White lavender tipped Dahlia

<b>Arrangement #7</b>	
<b>Container</b>	<b>Material</b>
Large onyx container in orange and gold tones with white lines	Amaranthus in green, coral and purple Hawthorn branch Yellow and deep red Dahlia Prairie Grass

<b>Arrangement #8 Three different climates – Desert, Warm and Tropical</b>	
<b>Container</b>	<b>Material</b>
Large Suiban with different lines	Agave plant (two types) Moss Driftwood Dark red burgundy, purple, white and coral Dahlias