

Cultural events

Dr. Patricia Potitsa Parnassos of the University of Paris and Athens, specialist in the History of Civilisations, is organizing every month a cultural meeting for the members of the french association "Athènes Accueil".

This is a most interesting opportunity to explore, through CD and DVD projections, the wonders of this world and learn, through the lectures of Dr. Parnassos, unknown details concerning the history, archaeology, traditional arts and customs of various nations.

Dr. Patricia Potitsa-Parnassos has also organized in spring a lecture and DVD projection concerning Japan.

Mrs Joanna Charitou-Barczyk, President, and Mrs Annie Boyer-Dimitracopoulou, Secretary, of the European Ohara Teachers Association (E.O.T.A.), responded to the kind invitation of Dr. Parnassos to present Ikebana, one of the most beautiful traditional arts of the "Land of the Rising Sun". They have organized a small demonstration of Ikebana arrangements of the "Ohara School of Ikebana" accompanied by a speech concerning the history of Ikebana.

Our special thanks to Dr. Parnassos who gave us the opportunity to present the art of Ikebana-Ohara. We feel grateful too for her offer to present to the members of the association "Athènes Accueil an *"Open Window to the Universe"*.



Mrs Boyer and Mrs Barczyk demonstrating.



Our Host: Dr. Patricia Potitsa Parnassos.



Ohara Ikebanists: Mrs A. Boyer, Mrs J. Barczyk, Mrs C. de Lignieres, Mrs F. Fontaine



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