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WELCOME BAG RECOMMENDATIONS

The purpose of a Welcome Bag is to help your new members feel a part of your chapter as soon as possible. They will need basic information (contact info primarily) and as they continue with your organization, they will want to know more about ikebana in general and about ikebana materials. We hope this list of items will help your chapter create a welcome bag that everyone can enjoy!

SUGGESTED ITEMS TO INCLUDE

- ☐ Brochure about your chapter indicating when/where you meet and basic contact information such as your Facebook and website address (if you have one) and your chapter's email address. Here is a template for you.
- ☐ The NCAR Advocates have created a template for you to use should your chapter need to develop their own brochure. The link to the template can be found on the ikebanancar.org website under Board Members>Chapter Essentials>Ike·Wiki>Forms & Brochures.
- ☐ A glossary of basic ikebana terms can be found here.
- ☐ Include former editions of the I.I. magazine as their subscription won't start for several months.
- ☐ Introduce them to the NCAR Website (https://ikebanancar.org/).
- ☐ A list of your chapter's sensei with their bios and contact information.
- ☐ How to condition many materials used in ikebana arrangements can be found here.
- ☐ Ideas for what types of materials to plant in your "ikebana" garden can be found here.
- ☐ A small gift (e.g., logo pen, used kenzan or container, 10% off ginza gift card (perhaps this one will work for you).
- ☐ Your chapter's program booklet, directory and a copy of the chapter by-laws should always be included when they become a member!