



## PROGRAM 2008

**Monthly Meetings** are held at *the Uniting Church*, 603 Toorak Road, Toorak, in the *Faichney Room*. (West side of Church : *Melway Map 58, K4*.)

The doors open at 9.00 am. Meetings run from 10.30 am to 12.30 pm, followed by refreshments. They generally consist of an Ikebana Demonstration, guest speaker, or an excursion. All members are encouraged to exhibit an arrangement prior to each meeting. A library and trading stall also operate.

*Guests are most welcome.*

### 12 February

Our guest, Jo Mairdonald, director of *Kazari*, specialist dealers in Japanese art and antiques for 30 years, shares reflections, anecdotes and observations on the art market today.

### 11 March

Celebrate our 49<sup>th</sup> birthday at *Heronswood* at Dromana: four acres of magnificent gardens including a research centre for organic plants and gardening methods. It is also the headquarters of the Diggers Club which provides a variety of seeds to its 40,000 members. A Special lunch will be available at the restaurant.

### 2-6 April

Melbourne International Flower and Garden Show at the Royal Exhibition Building.

### 8 April

Enjoy a Workshop *Inspirational Arrangements*. Bring both materials and containers to exchange with another member for an interesting challenge in preparing an arrangement.

### 13 May

Our guest will be Junko Azukawa, Sumi-e artist. She will talk about and demonstrate her beautiful artwork.

### 10 June

*Ikenobo Day*. Yukako Braun, President of Ikenobo Melbourne Chapter, will make a brief presentation on the history of the School, accompanied by a display and Demonstration.

### 8 July

*The Annual General Meeting*. The meeting will be followed by Demonstrations from all schools featuring special techniques of signature arrangements.

### 12 August

Our annual Japanese Day, featuring activities and lunch. Share this special day with our Japanese members. *We will not be able to have guests on that day.*

### 9 September

Pink Ribbon Day! Demonstration and arrangements featuring daffodils. These can be purchased at our stall, with proceeds to the National Breast Cancer Foundation.

### 14 October

An outing to beautiful *Coonara Springs* at Olinda. Explore the gardens and enjoy lunch in the restaurant.

### 11 November

Celebrate early! Get-together with a Christmas Demonstration and arrangements. Enjoy a special morning tea provided by the Committee.