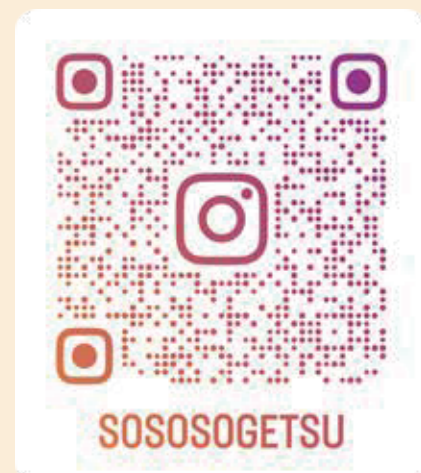


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【Entry & Inquiries】

General Affairs Department

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Sogetsu Excellence Award 2026

～ Showcase Your Ikebana! ～

The "Sogetsu Excellence Award" is presented to outstanding activities conducted by our members during the designated period.

We are delighted to announce the application regulations for the 2026 entry.

- This is an entry-based award open to all STA members (fully paid due of 2026), both in Japan and overseas.
 - Photos and videos of submitted works will be posted on the official Instagram account.
 - The Iemoto will review all entries and select the "Sogetsu Excellence Award" winners.
- The selection results will be announced

at the Sogetsu 100th Anniversary Celebration "Soryu-sai"
venue (TOYOTA ARENA TOKYO, Odaiba Area, Tokyo) on Sunday, April 18, 2027.

The award ceremony will take place at "the Flower Thanks Day" in March 2028.

<How to Enter the Sogetsu Excellence Award 2026>

Fill out the entry form and submit it to the General Affairs Department : contact@sogetsu.or.jp

Please check if it complies with the regulations noted.

Examples of Eligible Entries: •Presented an ikebana work.

- Held an exhibition.
- Arranged flowers in a public space.
- Conducted a demonstration.
- Planned and hosted an ikebana event.
- Conducted an ikebana trial/Workshop lesson.

Submit: Entry Form and the attached photos (or a video up to 1 minute, max.) 10 files in total. Please specify the display order.

Entries meeting all requirements will be reviewed in the order they are received.

Eligibility Period

- January 1, 2026 (Thu) – December 20, 2026 (Sun)

Your entry will be posted on Official Instagram (@sososogetsu)

The Iemoto will select the Sogetsu Excellence Award winners from the entries submitted within the eligible period (January – December 20, 2026).

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<Eligibility of Entry>

- The representative must be a member of the Sogetsu Teachers' Association (STA) who paid the due of 2026.
- The activity conducted by individuals, private study groups and organizations can submit the entry.
- Those currently studying Sogetsu Ikebana can be named as a participant.
- Official Study Groups are also eligible for this award.**
- Activities conducted by Sogetsu official branches are not eligible for this award, as they qualify for the Sogetsu Excellent Branch Award instead.

<Entry Guidelines>

- Individual activities : The individual submits their entry.
- Official or Private Study Group** : The representative submits the entry.
- Group Entries : The representative submits the entry.
- Organization Entries : The representative submits the entry.
- Each individual or representative may submit up to two entries.
- For organizations, please provide the official organization name and representative's name in the entry form.
- Participants must **consent** that **personal information such as** their name, organization/school name, and photos **may** appear on the official Instagram, other official **Social Media**, and the official website **of the Headquarters**.
- Please ensure that you will receive the consent of those who are or which are featured in the submitted photos; especially be careful for notable persons, copyrighted works, students/minors, or preschool children.

<Participation Fee>

- Free * No transportation fee will be covered to attend **The Awardee announcement Venue(Toyota Arena) and Award Ceremony Venue(SogetsuHall)** if your application wins.
- Participation fee for attending the celebration "Soryu-sai" is at your own expense.

<Deadlines (Japan Time)>

- First Round: August 31, 2026 (Mon) by 13:00
- Second Round: November 30, 2026 (Mon) by 13:00
- Final Deadline: December 21, 2026 (Mon) by 10:00

As long as your activity falls within the eligible period, you are welcome to apply by any of the deadlines (First, Second, or Third).

<Basic Rules>

- Each entry will be evaluated once.
- To apply, please submit ① Entry Sheet and ② Photos or videos (under 1 minute) — 10 items total (please specify the display order) to the General Affairs Department.
- Entries will be evaluated sequentially as soon as all submission requirements are met.
- Submitted photos and videos will not be returned.
- Submitted content will be posted on the official Instagram for entries. Posts will follow the compliance and publication rules of Meta, which may affect availability. Example: Character limit is 1,900 characters; image/video aspect ratio must be 1:1. Entries submitted in foreign languages will be posted as originally written.

<How will my entry be introduced? >

Your entry will be posted on Official Instagram (@sososogetsu)

<How will the judging process be conducted?>

The Iemoto will select the Sogetsu Excellence Award winners from the entries submitted within the eligible period (January – December 20, 2026).

<Evaluation Criteria>

- Evaluation criteria are not publicly disclosed

<Important Notes>

- Each individual or representative may submit a maximum of two entries.
- Works or activities joined in the exhibitions/events hosted by the Sogetsu HQ, official branches or other ikebana organization are not eligible. (e.g., Sogetsu Ikebana Exhibition, Japan Ikebana Art Association, Ikebana International, or joint exhibitions with other schools.)

**The results will be proudly announced on Sunday, April 18, 2027,
at the Sogetsu 100th Anniversary Celebration "Soryu-sai"
venue (TOYOTA ARENA TOKYO)!**