

THURSDAY
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EAST ACADEMIC CENTER 1

## The Demonstration of Ikebana (Japanese Flower Arrangement) by Yuji Ueno

"...to interpret the beauty and vigor they possess in nature and to react accordingly..."

Yuji Ueno is an independent floral artist who has developed his own unique philosophy and artistic sensibility—by turns outrageously passionate and exceptionally tranquil. Formerly trained in traditional Japanese floral arrangement, Sogestu Ikebana, Ueno later sought greater freedom to chart his own course and to develop his own flower concept that he calls Hanaike. His aim is to draw out the essence of the natural world and convey the true meaning of beauty in fine 'flower arrangements'. At Bennington College he will give a demonstration of his floral art, seeking inspiration from the place to forge an artistic piece within the local context.