



EMBASSY OF JAPAN
P.O.BOX 1649
KHARTOUM, SUDAN
<http://www.sdn.emb-japan.go.jp>

سفارة اليابان بالسودان
ص.ب.1649
الخرطوم – السودان

من الشعب الياباني
From the People of Japan

No : JP 07/13

17st March 2013

Japanese Ikebana Art at the Annual International Flowers Exhibition in Khartoum

On 15th March 2013, Ikebana (Japanese Flower Arrangement) Competition was held on the occasion of Annual International Flowers Exhibition in Khartoum. The event was organized by the Sudan Horticulture Society and was attended by H.E Mr. Ryoichi Horie, Ambassador of Japan to Sudan, and Dr. Idris Abdulrahman Mohammed, Secretary General of Sudanese Horticulture.

Ikebana is one of the well known Japanese traditional arts which means “The Japanese Art of Flower Arrangement”. It was first introduced to Sudan in 1995. Since then the Sudanese Horticultural Society has organized Ikebana competition on annual bases. In February, 2010, Ms. Rica Arai, Japanese Ikebana Artist visited Sudan and presented an Ikebana demonstration. She introduced different and sensational methods of Ikebana to Sudanese fans. After her visit, remarkable improvement of technique was seen among the Ikebana community in Sudan.

Mr. Horie judged the pieces of art which were created by the competitors based on; creativity, balance of shape and colors, how it encompasses natural cycle of birth, growth, decay and rebirth. The first prize was given to Rabab Ibrahim Issa, the second was Mai Tammal and Marwa Mohammed Abdullah won the third prize.

The event was a source of happiness and joy for all the attendants; winners, participants and audience. The embassy of Japan in Sudan tries to provide as many various Japanese cultural programs as possible to share happiness and promote the mutual understanding between the people of two nations, so that Japan and Sudan could enhance the friendly relations and foster the prosperity of both countries.

