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Greetings from JEC! Now with the dog days of summer upon us, we feel like reaching out and sharing with our dear members the latest news and notes from our office.

2005 JEC class schedule

Our tentative 2005 class schedule is now out. Please check for it at our website, or ask us to mail it to you. We look forward to seeing many of you at the Center in this coming year!

Price increase on some items

Effective August 1, there will be a price increase on a few of our material items. First of all, our regular (29") Japanese embroidery frame is now \$80.00. The long frame (39") is now \$135.00. Mounting fabric is now \$4.00 per pair; and lastly, embroidery wedges are now \$3.50 per pair.

Sample color cards for new colors available

These two cards, one with the 21 colors new as of 11/2002, the other with the 5 colors new as of 11/2003, are available for \$5.00 each (no discount). Please call us or contact us by fax or email if you wish to order these items.

Website updates

We are continually updating our website with new information about Japanese embroidery, JEC and its activities. Please look some time this month for a couple of rather notable updates: the addition of new pieces to the site Photo Gallery; as well as a new section showcasing several magnificent obi, hand stitched by the artisans at Kurenai-kai, for sale. If you are interested in stitching some designs from the sales pieces, please contact us for details.

Young Students Class 2004 (7/28-31)

If you haven't yet signed up your youngster for the class, now is the time to do it as it is mere weeks away! Please see our website for details on Young Students Class 2004. We look forward to seeing you and your youngster there!

Phase X class 2004 (10/28-11/2)

To make it easier for our members to register for Phase X class, we will for the first time be putting Phase X registration forms up for download on the website (follow the "Study & Instruction" link from the homepage). We hope that many of our members who are connected to the internet will take advantage of this convenient way to register. Please look for it at our website.

Teachers Class 2004 (11/3-6)

We are proud to announce for this year's Teachers Class a new Phase IV design, #413 Embroidery Sculpture. This beautiful design is 13" x 13", with a fabric length of 17" (available on gold nishijin or white shioze). Color scheme for this design will be available by the end of August. If you are a teacher and haven't yet signed up for Teachers Class 2004, a downloadable version of the registration form is available at our website (as with Phase X class, just follow the "Study & Instruction" link from our home page).

Advanced Class 2005 (3/23-26/2005)

We have some early news for Advanced Class 2005. It is to be a very special class with a very special design to be stitched. It is "Bevy of Beauties" (D#CK82-155). This very unique design is on ultra rare double-wide gold black fabric (27" wide). The fabric length is 30", and is \$36.00 per inch retail. Because of the extreme width of this design, a special, ultra wide frame will be needed (to be available from JEC near class time). Only six attendees will be accepted for enrollment in the class, so if you are interested, please contact us. "Bevy of Beauties" looks to be a prime and challenging design to stitch for World Exhibition 2007, so please bring your best needle!

As always, thank you for being a part of JEC. We hope you enjoy our Summer 2004 issue of *Nuido!*

Yours appreciatively,

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