

**OCTOBER MONTHLY MEETING:**

**Wednesday, October 26, 2011 7PM**

**"Our Bonsai, Then and Now - A Photographic Review"**

This is a members supported PowerPoint presentation depicting your bonsai from beginning until now. Members will present photos showing the development of their material into a bonsai.

**FUTURE MONTHLY MEETING BEGIN AT 7PM**

**Paul Kulesa – Program Chairperson**

This past May the Executive Board moved the starting time of the monthly meeting to 7 PM, beginning with the September monthly meeting. This will allow adequate time for evening programs.

**There Are Several Open Positions On the Executive Board That Can Be Filled By Members of the AABS. Please Consider Serving As A Member On The Executive Board. Elections Will Be Held At The October 2011 Monthly Meeting.**

**BONSAI DISPLAY GARDEN AT MATHAEI BOTANICAL GARDENS**

**Paul Kulesa – Program Chairperson**

At the request of our anonymous donor... 'Construction will begin this fall' on the bonsai display garden, Gayle Steiner recently announced. "We may be able to construct the gallery before the snow flies, then raise the remaining \$188,000 over the next six to eight months, and construct the workshop/complete the entire garden in the spring and early summer. This would be tremendous because 2012 is the 50th anniversary of the opening of Matthaei Botanical Gardens, and opening the bonsai garden at that time would give the garden a huge boost of attention and interest. It would also be wonderful if we could be open in time for the

American Conifer Society's national convention in Ann Arbor in mid-July 2012."

The U of M and MBG will build a bonsai garden with your help. The planned garden, west of the perennial garden and southwest of the Conservatory, will offer demonstrations and hands-on bonsai teaching for all levels. To help make it happen, contact Gayle Steiner, the Director of Development: [gayles@umich.edu](mailto:gayles@umich.edu), 734.647.7847.



**UPCOMING AABS MEETINGS**

**Paul Kulesa – Program Chairperson**

*November 7, 2011, 6PM*

Annual Banquet and Critique of the MBG Collection. The AABS and members will provide the "vittles" for this years banquet. Bring a dish to share with others, a dinner plate, tableware and an appetite. Please bring a bonsai for the mini-exhibit centered on each table. Following the evening meal, we will critique

bonsai from MBG collection. This event will take place in the auditorium at Matthaei Botanical Gardens and begins at 6:00 PM. All are welcome.

Joan Overmire is looking for assistance in setting up this dinner. Setup of this program begins at 5 PM with the placement of tables and chairs and moving bonsai into the auditorium.

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### **2011 AABS EXECUTIVE BOARD**

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**Demonstrations:** TBD  
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### **FOR SALE OR WANTED**

All members can offer for sale any bonsai and bonsai related materials in the newsletter or at the monthly meeting with no sales fee. AABS Society Members' ads are free to publish in the Newsletter. Deadline for submissions to the Newsletter is the 5th of the month. Please send your comments or documents to [newsletter@annarborbonsaisociety.org](mailto:newsletter@annarborbonsaisociety.org).

**Wanted.** If you have a tree, bonsai pot, tool or anything else bonsai related that you don't need

anymore and that is still in good condition, consider donating it to the Society. Donations to the Society are always accepted. In most cases many donated trees or other materials have been raffled among the attending members during our monthly meetings.

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### **Help Spruce Up Our Web Page Appearance**

Raquel Vega, AABS web master, is soliciting photographs of members' trees to appear on one of the many pages of our web site. You can hand deliver a photograph of your favorite bonsai to Raquel at the meeting or send a photo via email to her.

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### **MEMBERSHIP**

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