

The Ann Arbor Bonsai Society generally meets on the fourth Wednesday of the month at the UM-Matthaei Botanical Gardens, 1800 N. Dixboro Rd., Ann Arbor. Please join us at 6:30 PM to meet friends and members. The program starts at 7:00 PM. www.annarborbonsaisociety.org

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NEXT CLUB MEETING: March 27, 2013

Rick Smith, long time bryologist, will discuss moss, everything you wanted to know about the collection, cultivation, care and use of moss displayed with our bonsai. This program will be presented by web broadcast, the presenter in central Illinois and the audience in the auditorium at MBG.

TIME TO RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP

Your annual membership expires at the end of March. Annual membership dues are \$25. You can talk with the Treasurer at the next meeting or renew by mail.

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FINAL DAYS TO RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP

UNFILLED POSITIONS ON THE BOARD *

There are four positions on the Executive Board, considered critical to the full expression of our club. Top of the list are the two positions important for the publishing of the monthly newsletter, the recording and corresponding secretaries. Then there is our annual bonsai show. We need a member to manage the operation and activities of our show. Then there is the Director 2013-14. Within a month of being elected to the position of Director 2013-14, Gene Weise resigned his position for personal reasons. A members taking on any position will be assisted until they are able to work independently.

MONTHLY RAFFLES

Bill Struhar held the first raffle of the season at our February meeting. Bill offered a collection of leaf cutting

scissors won by Jay Sinclair and a book, "Remarkable Trees of the World" by Thomas Pakenham, won by Michael Field. Raffle tickets are sold for \$1 each or 6 for \$5. The monthly raffle items will be available for examination prior to each meeting.

FEBRUARY MEETING

Michael Scheid came to Ann Arbor to discuss juniper. Michael brought-along a variety of juniper to emphasize points within his presentation. Despite the winter weather conditions, 29 members came to MBG to hear what Michael had to share.



Michael Scheid of the Bonsai Society of Greater Cincinnati

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MBG BONSAI AND PENJING GARDEN

The staff of Matthaei Botanical Gardens is waiting for warmer weather to continue work on the Bonsai and Penjing Garden. Finishing touches are needed to the garden walls, the landscaping inside the garden, the entrance gates and elements of the bonsai studio that is integrated into the garden. The dedication and formal opening of the garden is scheduled for Sunday, May 19, 2013. The garden will showcase more of the permanent bonsai collection than has been previously possible. Additional events held throughout the summer will showcase the Bonsai and Penjing Garden.

FINAL DAYS TO RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP

MEMBERSHP RENEWAL

AABS Membership is for the calendar year. Use the *Membership Renewal Form* on our Web page and bring it to the next meeting or mail it to the Treasurer.

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Please write your check payable to AABS for \$25.00.

The Ann Arbor Bonsai Society is affiliated with the American Bonsai Society http://absbonsai.org and the Mid-American Bonsai Alliance http://mababonsai.org. Contact AABS at: programs@annarborbonsaisociety.org

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

March 27 - Monthly Meeting

Moss – Cultivation and Care - Rick Smith bryologist - Bradley University.

April 6 - Saturday Morning Workshop

Repotting & Root Pruning - Members can repot their bonsai with the help of an experienced hand. At MBG 10 AM - 1 PM

April 24 - Monthly Meeting

Members Wiring Workshop – Bring your tree and supplies to wire your bonsai, guidance provided.

April 27 – Nursery Visit

Are you looking for bonsai material, tropical or hardy? Join other members visiting Kurt Smith's nursery and greenhouse in Dundee, meet there at 10 AM.

May 19 - Dedication of the MBG Bonsai and Penjing Garden

May 22 - Monthly Meeting

Come explore the recently opened Bonsai and Penjing Garden.

June 26 - Monthly Meeting

Literati - Jim Doyle, Harrisburg, PA.

June 27 - Thursday Evening Workshop with Jim Doyle The workshop will be held at MBG – 6PM.

July 25 - Monthly Meeting

A Three Member Panel will offer advice and discuss design options for members who bring their bonsai to the meeting

August 23 - Annual Show Setup

August 24-25 – Our Annual Show

August 28 - Monthly Meeting

Jack Douthitt, respected bonsai artist on the National stage, will provide his view on Bonsai in America.

August 29 - Thursday Evening Workshop with Jack Douthitt

The workshop will be held at MBG – 6PM

September 25 - Monthly Meeting

Our Annual Auction

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October 23 - Monthly Meeting

Bill Cadman will discuss the process of developing his bonsai with the help of Ryan Neal.

November 4 - Monthly Meeting

Annual Banquet and Critique of Bonsai

REGIONAL BONSAI EVENTS - 2013

Saturday - Sunday, May 11-12

Michigan All-State Show - featuring Ryan Neal.

The Michigan All-State Show is held at the Meijer Gardens in Grand Rapids, Michigan.

http://www.wmbonsai.org/index.htm

Saturday - Sunday, May 18 - 19

Midwest Bonsai Society Spring Show

The Midwest Bonsai Society Spring show will be held at the Chicago Botanic Garden.

http://www.midwestbonsai.org/show.htm

Friday - Sunday, May 24-26

Brussel's Annual Rendezvous is a regional bonsai event held in Olive Branch, Mississippi.

http://www.brusselsbonsai.com

Thursday - Sunday, June 6-9

International Arboretum Collegium, Rochester, NY. http://www.internationalbonsai.com

Saturday - Sunday, June 29-30

40th Annual Four Seasons Bonsai Show, Troy, Michigan. http://www.fourseasonsbonsai.com

Friday - Sunday, August 16-18

Midwest Bonsai Society presents the Mid-America Bonsai Show, featuring Bjorn Bjorholm. The 36th Mid-America Bonsai Exhibit will be held at the Chicago Botanic Garden. http://www.midwestbonsai.org/show

Saturday - Sunday, August 24 & 25

Annual Show of the Ann Arbor Bonsai Society, Matthaei Botanical Gardens.

Thursday – Sunday, September 12-15

The 2013 American Bonsai Society Learning Seminar, Saratoga Springs, NY.

http://www.loveofbonsai.com

Saturday - Sunday, October 12-13

Carolina Bonsai Expo - One of the last big regional bonsai shows of the season held every year down in Asheville, NC at the North Carolina Arboretum. A great show worth the drive down. http://www.ncarboretum.org/plan-a-visit/events/carolina-bonsai-expo

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