

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

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NEXT CLUB MEETING: Wednesday, July 24, 2013



Jim Doyle, Photo by Walter Pall

Jim Doyle Will Visit Ann Arbor

At our June meeting Jim Doyle will discuss literati bonsai, complete a literati he will have started at home and complete during our meeting. The literati will be used as a prop to emphasize elements of his discussion. The completed literati will be raffled to those at the meeting. On Thursday, June 27, Jim will conduct a workshop using your tree. The workshop will take place at 6 PM in Room 125, at the west end of MBG. You can reserve a position in the workshop by paying the \$40 workshop fee. You can mail your payment to our treasurer, Joan Wheeler, or talking with her at the next meeting. Mailing information is found on page three.

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MBG BONSAI AND PENJING GARDEN OPENS

The Garden opened to the public on Sunday, May 19, 2013. The garden showcases more of the permanent bonsai collection than has been previously possible. Many of the bonsai on display were recent additions to the collection.

During the May Monthly Meeting, members of the Bonsai Society had an opportunity to examine the garden and the new acquisitions displayed in the garden. The clouds parted in time to hear from Robert Grese, Jack Wikle and Jerry Meislik, who shared comments with those in the garden. Take the time to visit this *jewel in the MBG crown of gardens*.

LOOKING FOR A FEW GOOD IDEAS

I am looking for programs ideas to develop and add to the 2014 calendar and I am seeking your advice. Is there a bonsai related topic you want to explore in depth, a speaker you have heard and you want to hear more, a workshop leader you want to work with, a tree you want to study in depth . . .? Let me know. Paul Kulesa

MONTHLY RAFFLES

During the May Meeting, Bill raffled a gift certificate to Kurt Smith's bonsai garden in Dundee, Tom McCue won the raffle.

Saturday - Sunday, June 29-30 41st Annual Four Seasons Bonsai Show June 29-30, Troy, Michigan, With Special Guest, Jim Doyle

Four Seasons Bonsai Club of Michigan welcomes bonsai master Jim Doyle, owner of Nature's Way Bonsai

Nursery, to a demonstration, workshop and slide presentation at the club's annual show. Explore the ancient art of miniature Japanese trees at the club's biggest (and only once-a-year) event. See the bonsai exhibit and beginner-friendly presentations on growing your own bonsai. Bonsai, pots, tools, and accessories will be offered for sale. Enter bonsai raffles. One lucky winner will take home the Jim Doyle-styled demonstration bonsai at the close of the show.

Saturday, June 29, 9 AM-7 PM - Sunday, June 30, 9 AM-4 PM. Go to the website below for additional information.

http://www.fourseasonsbonsai.com

July 25 - Monthly Meeting

A Three Member Panel will offer advice and discuss design options for members who bring their bonsai to the meeting. Bring that one bonsai on the back shelf forward. If you have run out of ideas, bring it to the July Meeting for the advice from several members and the assembled membership.

CALENDAR OF AABS EVENTS

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

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, 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. http://www.ncarboretum.org/plan-a-visit/events/carolina-bonsai-expo

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: AABonsaiSociety@gmail.com

UNFILLED POSITIONS ON THE BOARD *

There are three 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.

2013 Executive Board

President Jay Sinclair
President Emeritus Alfonso Tercero
VP/Program Chairperson Paul Kulesa

Recording Secretary

* Corresponding Secretary

(Newsletter Producer)

Treasurer Joan Wheeler Librarian Ray Domzalski

Show Chairperson *

Publicity Chairperson Carlos Diaz
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Director 2013 & 2014 Tom McCue

AABS AD-HOC COMMITTEES

The AABS President is an ex-officio member of all committees with the exception of the Nomination Committee.

Fund Raising: William Struhar

Web Administration: Christopher's Web Service

Nomination Committee:

Annual Auction Director: Interested? Contact a Board

Member.

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.

TIME TO PREP YOUR BONSAI FOR OUR SHOW

Our Annual Show takes place in late August. Take time this summer to ready your bonsai for this local event of

the season. Plan early to display several bonsai and when the Show arrives, you will have the choice of what looks best to display.

For many years Hugh Danville has managed the registration of bonsai for our show. Hugh has prepared forms for registration, a data base for storing the information and has prepared a template for printing the display label presenting information of the bonsai on display. Are you willing to take on this responsibility from Hugh? Work with Hugh this year and he will show you the ropes. The work is limited to the late afternoon and evening on Friday prior to the show. Come help us with the show.



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Visit us on the Web:

http://www.annarborbonsaisociety.org







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