

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

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NEXT CLUB MEETING: March 25, 2015

Julian Adams – The Care and Maintenance of Black & Red Pine

You are invited to welcome Julian back to Ann Arbor for our evening program. Julian Adams will discuss the maintenance and care of black and red pine. Julian will follow up with a workshop using black pine. Six to eight-year-old black pine have been purchased from Steve Pilacik of North Carolina for this workshop. Three-year-old seedlings grown by Julian Adams are available for design and development on a budget

Please join us for a meal at 5 PM at a nearby restaurant with Julian. Details will be shared by email as the date approaches.

Join us at 6:30 PM in the MBG auditorium to catch-up with longtime friends, welcome visitors and talk bonsai.

The meeting starts at 7 PM with the evening program to follow.

AABS LIBRARY

The librarian, Fouzaan Zafar, has to make sense of the collection of books and other publications in our library. There are a number of items absent from the collection. If you have a publication belonging to the AABS, please return it.

MARCH'S TREE OF THE MONTH: THE PINE

Show & Tell will begin between 6:30 and 7:00 and each owner may give a short history, or tips on how grow, or tell other tales about their special tree. This month's speaker, Julian Adams, may comment on the styling, health, or prospective care of this month's Pine Show & Tell trees.

Every general meeting will feature one special tree that members can bring for Show & Tell. Each month's special tree will be specified here, in that month's newsletter.

Any member, who brings to the meeting on March 25 this month's Show & Tell bonsai, will receive one Raffle Ticket for the evening raffle!

Kurt Smith of The Flower Market has donated a Pine bonsai starter for our raffle.

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS - 2015

Classes/Sessions at The Flower Mart by Kurt Smith:

April 4th – Open Bonsai Studio

April 6th – Intro to Outdoor Bonsai Class. Starts at 6pm

April 12th – Intro to Outdoor Bonsai Class. Starts at 6pm

April 19th – Session 2 – Bonsai Study from 1-5pm

April 27th – Grove/Forest Class. Starts at 6pm

April 22 - Monthly Meeting

David DeGroot, nationally renowned bonsai artist, will discuss Pine.

May 27 - Monthly Meeting

Bring your bonsai/pre-bonsai to the May meeting to have assistance performing the seasonal work. Experienced members will be available to assist you. Bring your bonsai, tools and supplies.

June 24 - Monthly Meeting

Steve Jetzer of West Michigan Bonsai will demonstrate seasonal work performed on two-needle pine and discuss care and maintenance.

July 22 - Monthly Meeting

We will meet in the UM-MBG - Bonsai Garden to be close to some great bonsai. Several members of AABS, who also work on the bonsai in the MBG collection, will review their favorite tree.

August 26 - Monthly Meeting

Vance Hanna, local bonsai artist, will discuss tool care, maintenance and edge sharpening.

August 28 - Show Setup 10 AM - Auditorium

Saturday & Sunday, August 29-30 Our Annual Show

September 23 - Monthly Meeting

Our Annual Auction - Bring a bonsai, buy a bonsai.

October 28 - Monthly Meeting

Todd Renshaw of Four Seasons Bonsai will discuss bonsai design, bonsai container and display stand options.

MARCH BONSAI WORKSHOP

Workshop with Julian Adams
Thursday, March 26, 2015
5:30PM – 9 PM at Matthaei Botanical Garden – Meet in
Room #139. Material selection and distribution begins at
6PM

Julian will put his presentation on black pine into practice with a workshop using black pine. Material for this workshop is available, 7 – 9 year old black pine, acquired from Steve Pilacik of Fuquay Varina, North Carolina. These pine have been repotted into bonsai soil in mid-spring 2014 and allowed to recover for the season. In addition, a collection of 3 year-old black pine seedlings is offered for those who want to develop material from young stock. If you want to participate in this workshop, contact Paul Kulesa at abonsaisociety@gmail.com.

Workshop Fee - \$25 each participant.

Material - Black pine, 7-9 years old - \$40 each, Black pine seedling, 3 years old - \$10/ea.



Black Pine for Workshop with Julian Adams (typical of the pine available)

February Club Meeting Re-cap:

Due to a last minute medical emergency, Jon Generaux was not able to present his talk entitled, Top Grafts. Luckily for us, we had Jay, Kurt and Jack available as our program presenters for this meeting. We thank you for stepping in!



Jay Sinclair, Kurt Smith, and Jack Wikle



Satsuki Azalea in Flower by Jack Wikle
(As seen at the February meeting)

REGIONAL BONSAI EVENTS

Michigan All State Bonsai Show Saturday & Sunday, May 9 & 10, 2015 Meijer Gardens – Grand Rapids

Four Seasons Bonsai Club Annual Show July 2015 (date to be announced) Troy, Michigan

Mid-America Bonsai Alliance Convention Friday – Sunday, July 10-12, 2015 Indianapolis, Indiana

Mid-America Bonsai Exhibit August 14-16, 2015 Chicago Botanic Garden Glencoe, Illinois

Ann Arbor Bonsai Society Annual Show August 29 & 30, 2015 UM-MBG Auditorium

Hidden Lake Gardens – "Art of Bonsai" Sunday, September 20, 2015

Mid-Michigan Bonsai Club Annual Show October 2015 (date to be announced) Held at Van Atta Greenhouse, Haslett, Michigan

FOR SALE OR WANTED

Ads in the Newsletter: 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.

Prizes for the Raffle: We are soliciting donations suitable for prizes to be raffled during each general meeting, and, for the Annual Bonsai Show Raffle. If you have a tree, bonsai pot, tool or anything else bonsai related, that you do not use anymore and is still in good condition, consider donating it to the Society. Please see Bill Struhar at any meeting, email Bill at BillStruhar@michiganderpots.com or call (586) 468-7169.

Club Logo Now Available: we will embroider the club logo on your garment for \$10 (plus modest additional charge for lined garments). The logo comes in two forms; light green tree on dark green background, or dark green tree on light green background, with a silver border on both combinations and AABS lettering an appropriate contrasting color depending upon the garment color. Bring your garment in a clear plastic bag to a meeting, select your colors, pre-pay Bill Struhar, and your garment will be ready one or two meetings later. (The vendor requires a minimum of 5 garments per order)

2015 EXECUTIVE BOARD

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:** Don Wenzel

Nomination Committee:

Show Committee: Ron Milostan, Michael Field and Paul

Kulesa.

TIME TO RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP

Your annual membership expires at the end of March. Annual membership dues are \$25. Please pay by check, written to Ann Arbor Bonsai Society. You can talk with the Treasurer at the next meeting or renew by mail. Mail your renewal to,

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