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INDIANAPOLIS BONSAI CLUB

The Bonsai Creation

MABA

2015

Simply

Awesome!



Best of Show -
Dwarf Scots Pine
by William Valavanis

From the President

First of all, I want to say thanks to all of you who volunteered your time and talent to the MABA 2015 Convention. The convention was a huge success. I received many compliments from visiting bonsai enthusiasts and artists. There may be bigger conventions from time to time, but this one was extremely well executed thanks to the many months of preparation. Visitors were very happy with the hotel, our vendor area and our setup. We also received many compliments for the quality of trees we had on display.

Although the MABA is now in the rear view mirror, we still have some important things on the horizon. The annual club picnic will be hosted by Paul and Judy Weishaar on Sunday, July 26. The IBC will provide drinks, hotdogs and hamburgers. Please bring a side or desert. We've worked hard in preparation for the convention. Its time to enjoy a relaxing afternoon among friends.

The 2015 Indiana State Fair is just around the corner! This year, we will be doing things a little differently. All of the judging and awards will be issued only during the first session, which is August 7-11. The second session, August 12-15, will be for exhibition only. I will warn you now that I will need a lot of help filling the display for the second session. Several club member who have larger personal collections will be unable to display trees during the second session. Still, we need to provide a quality exhibition for the Fair. I am going to need a lot of people bringing in trees for display. We can't have a bunch of empty tables! I really need every bonsai club member to bring in at least one or two trees for that second session.

I also want to remind all of you that Rodney Clemons, our 2015 State Fair Bonsai Show judge will also be conducting a demonstration during our August 5th meeting. Rodney is an outstanding bonsai artist who is particularly well

known for his work with boxwood trees. I am looking forward to seeing Rodney do his thing. I'm sure it will be a very enjoyable presentation.

I look forward to seeing all of you at our upcoming meeting,

Scott Yelich



**Indianapolis Bonsai Club
July, 2015
Meeting Minutes
Amanda Cox**

Date & Time: July 1st, 2015 from 7:00-9:00

Location: Clarion Hotel and Conference Center

Presiding: Club President Scott Yelich

Attendance: 24

Membership: 49 paid households

Checking: \$981.85 Savings: \$2938.98 MABA: \$18,344.21

MABA July 10th-12th

Club Pitch-In Picnic July 26th at Paul Weishaar's House. Club will provide: paper plates, utensils, condiments, dogs, burgers, buns and soft drinks

Please bring a side dish and or dessert to share

State Fair: August 7th – August 16th

-Need trees and volunteers to work the fair!

-First half of the fair will be trees on display for exhibit and judging by Rodney Clemons. Second half of the fair will be trees on display only.

-Please work on trees and have them ready, we have a large area to fill and need trees!

Tree of the Month: Tamarind

Presented by: Amanda Cox

Presentation: MABA set up and hotel tour

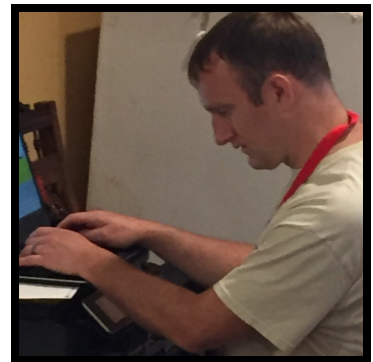
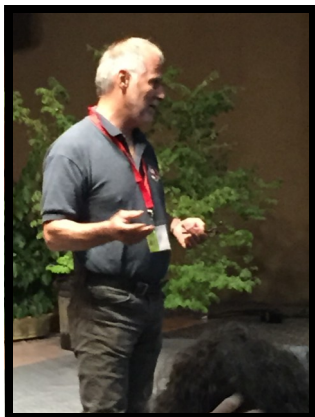
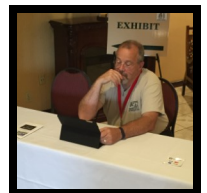
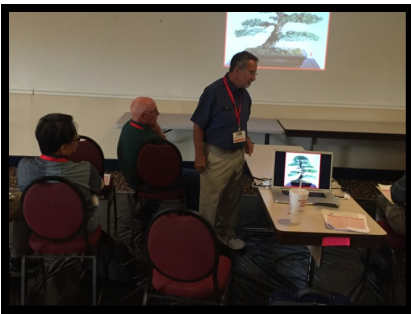
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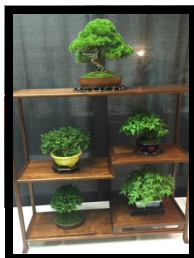
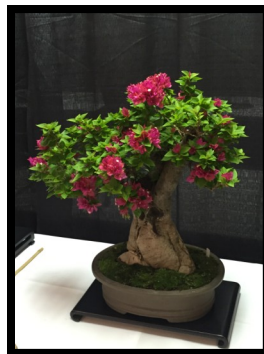
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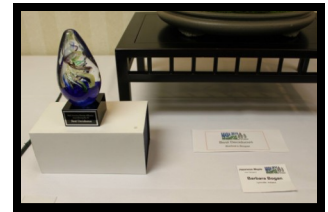
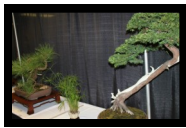
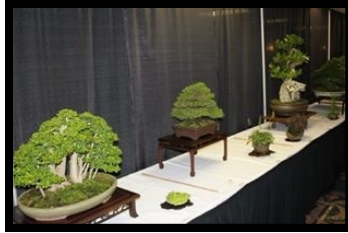
Next meeting Wednesday August 5th

Rodney Clemons Demo

MABA 2015: A visual journey













**Frank Mihalic works with the
bonsai artists of tomorrow**

Musk Maple or Premna microphylla

Tree of the Month

Family: **Lamiaceae** (lay-mee-AY-see-ee) Genus: **Premna** (PREM-na) Species: **microphylla** (my-kro-FIL-uh) Synonym: Gumira japonica Synonym: Gumira microphylla Synonym: Premna microphylla var. japonica Synonym: Premna formosana Synonym: Premna japonica

Premna is a genus of flowering plants in the mint family, Lamiaceae, first described for modern science in 1771. It is widespread through tropical and subtropical regions in Africa, southern Asia, northern Australia, and various islands in the Pacific and Indian Ocean.

Common names - Musk Maple & Japanese Neem Tree, with a list of 135 varieties

The following info is by **Gardengeeks** (by way of Google) Gardengeeks info submitted by: kym

Pronunciation: PREM-na my-kro-FIL-uh

Family: Lamiaceae

Synonym: Gumira japonica, Gumira microphylla, Premna formosana, Premna japonica

Common Name: Japanese Musk Maple, Japanese Neem tree

Plant Type:

perennial
trees, shrubs

Height to: 10 ft

Width to: 10 ft

USDA Hardiness Zones:

20 to 10°F ZONE 8
30 to 20°F ZONE 9
40 to 30°F ZONE 10

Bloom Description: Japanese Musk Maple (*Premna microphylla*) produce clusters of small cream to yellow flowers

Bloom Season:

early summer
mid summer
late summer

Sun Exposure:

full sun

Soil Type: well drained, wet

The Musk Maple is a fine tree for our midwest bonsai gardens. The tree presents wonderfully in both shohin and mama sizes. Larger size can be created with the appropriate years of training. Their growth pattern is quick, and foliage is easily reduced. The leaf size that I have been able to maintain is less than 5/16 of an inch with regular trimming. The tree is considered be close to a tropical and will die if wintered outside. These will do well in unheated protected areas like a garage, NOT outside! Musk Maples do well during Winter in controlled temperatures of 40 degrees, not less. In Japan they may be left outside when evenings go down into the 20s. Bringing them back out onto your benches when temps no longer dip below 40 - 50 deg. When the coldest parts of the days and nights are in this temp range your Musk Maples need to be protected.

Enjoy This Tree in our USDA Zone
5b.

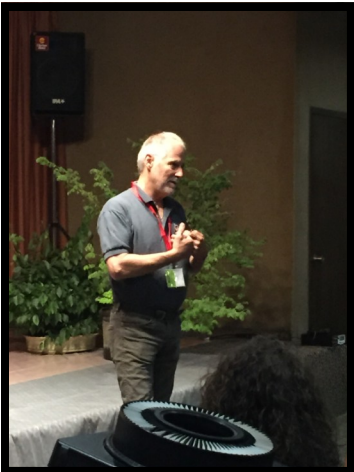
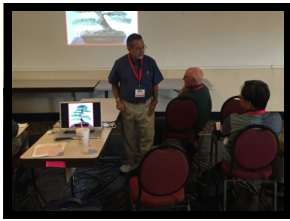
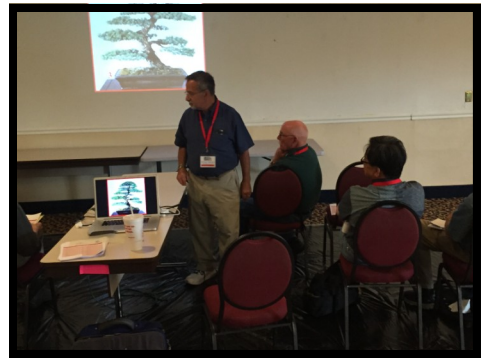
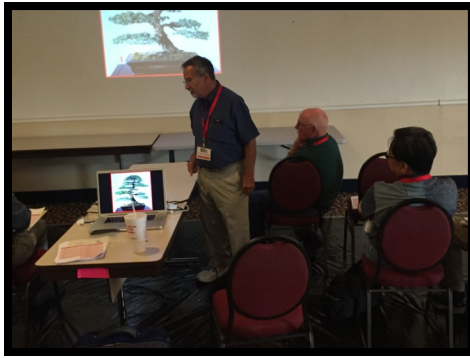


**Musk Maple or
*Premna microphyla***

**Checkout the updated IBC websites:
www.indybonsai.org / www.maba2015.com**



**It was ...
One.
Fine.
Event.**





MABA2015 AWARDS

Best Tropical.....Bougainvillea by Neil Dellinger

Best Deciduous.....Japanese Maple by Barbara Bogan

Best Evergreen.....Japanese Yew by Carl Wooldridge

Best Shohin Display.....Mel Goldstein

Best MABA Indigenous.....Winged Elm by Neil Dellinger

Award of Merit.....Japanese Quince by Carl Wooldridge

Award of Merit.....Japanese Maple by William Valavanis

Best of Show.....Dwarf Scots Pine by William Valavanis

There were 2 special awards presented at the MABA2015 Convention

The American Bonsai Society presented an award for the “Best Bonsai Indigenous to the Americas”. MABA2015 had the honor of hosting the 1st winner of this award.

ABS Award.....American Larch by Jack Douthitt

If a member of the Board of Directors of Bonsai Clubs International is present at a Bonsai Exhibit they have the option of presenting an “Award of Excellence for an Outstanding Bonsai”.

BCI Award..... Japanese Yew by Paul Weishaar

Date 2015	Meeting Topic	Detail	Presenter - Coordinator	2015
1/7	How to choose quality pre-bonsai stock	A presentation of how and where to buy quality pre-bonsai.	TBD	
2/4	Accent Pots	Members will be able to make their own accent pot from clay for a small fee. TBD	Paul Weishaar, Mike Thiedeman	
3/4	Wiring Demo–BYOt and wire	How to wire a tree	Mark Fields	
4/1	Lace Rock Planting	Creating a bonsai on lace rock; trees and rock available for purchase	Scott Yelich	
5/6	Grafting and air layering	Members bring trees that need grafting/air layering and work on trees during the meeting.	Mark Fields	
6/3	Candle pruning - tree display	Mark Fields will discuss candle pruning techniques/Members will get in groups and design a tree display	Mark Fields	
7/1	MABA2015	Finalizing details/tasks/volunteer assignments for MABA 2015 in Indianapolis	All	
8/5	State Fair Judge - Demo	TBD	All	
9/2	Annual “Members Only” Auction	Members bring in “anything bonsai” to auction. The club receives 20% of sale.	All	
10/7	BYOT Workshop	Members bring in trees they want help/advice with...	All	
11/4	Benches, winter Prep, 2016 Ideas	Presentatiion on bonsai displays, winter prep, spring tasks	All	
12/2	Annual Dinner	The Annual Gala Celebration	All	
Events				
April 18, 19	Perennial Premier	Bonsai Sale and Exhibit at the IMA	All	
June 6,7	Garfield Park Exhibit/Sale	Bonsai Sale and Exhibit at Garfield park conservatory	All	
July 10, 11, 12	MABA 2015	Major Bonsai convention hosted by the IBC at the Clarion Hotel	All	
July 26	Annual Picnic	Annual Club Picnic hosted by Paul and Judy Weishaar	All	

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IBC Annual Picnic

The pitch-in picnic this year will be hosted by Paul & Judy Weishaar on **Sunday July 26**. Mark your calendar and plan to attend.

Club Information

Visitors are always WELCOME!!!

Where: Garfield Park Conservatory
2450 Shelby Street
Indianapolis, Indiana

When: First Wednesday of each
month

Time: 7:00 pm

Club Dues: Dues are \$25 per calendar
year. Cost includes up to
two members of the same
household.

Club Officers 2015-2017

President	Scott Yelich
Vice President	Carl Wooldridge
Asst. Vice Presidents	Robert Hoy Kyle Weidner
Secretary	Amanda Cox
Treasurer/Newsletter	Robert Hoy
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Librarian	Tom Barnes
MABA/ABS/BCI	Paul Weishaar
Garfield Curator	Chuck Perry

2015 INDIANA STATE FAIR

The Indiana State Fair has requested the Indianapolis Bonsai Club host and administrate the bonsai exhibit and competition again in 2015. The 2015 fair opens on August 7. The Bonsai Exhibit/Competition format has been revised somewhat this year. The 1st session will be judged while the 2nd session will be exhibit only. Exhibit Classifications are Tropical, Deciduous, Evergreen and Indigenous. Classes are Youth, Novice, Intermediate and Open.

Session 1 set up will be Thursday Aug 6 until 6pm when judging will begin. Rodney Clemons will be judging this year. Bonsai from Session 1 can be removed Tuesday and Wednesday and replaced with exhibit bonsai for Session 2. Session 2 bonsai are to be removed either Saturday Aug 15 or Sunday Aug 16 prior to 10 a.m.