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# The Bonsai Creation

## STATE FAIR 2015



**Best of Show  
Blue Atlas Cedar  
Steve Knapp**

# From the President

This month, I'd like to lead off by thanking all of those who participated in the 2015 Bonsai Show at the Indiana State Fair. Thank you for presenting your trees and thanks to all of you who helped setting up, covering shifts at the information station and for those sleepy souls who got up early Saturday morning to tear down the display at 7:00 AM. I'd also like to publicly thank Rodney Clemmons for last's month's demonstration and for Judging the Sate Fair exhibit.

For those of you who missed it, this year's show was a little different. All categories and classes were judged during the first session, and the second session was for exhibit only. By doing this, the club only has to worry about paying one judge for the show. This change in format saves the club hundreds of dollars. Also, we were in a new location within the Purdue Agriculture/Horticulture Building. The entire layout of the building changed this year. Rather than a long and straight display, we were moved to the back corner near the stage area. The display was then more horseshoe-shaped, with a sales and information table in the center. I think it made it much easier for our volunteers to cover the area and answer questions from interested fair goers. We had numerous compliments about the new layout and about the quality of our bonsai exhibition. I was pleased with our flow of people. I admit, I was a little worried about being in the back corner, but I think things turned out great. I hope we remain in the same location next year.

It's auction time! Once again, The Indianapolis Bonsai Club will be holding its annual auction during the September meeting. Therefore, there will be no business meeting, Tree of the Month or any sort of regular program. I would encourage you to show up a little early in preparation for the auction. This is always a well attended event. Remember: You must be a current paid member of the Indianapolis Bonsai Club to participate in this event. You must also register with Bob Hoy, our club treasurer, the day of the auction, so he

can issue an auction number for you. If you intend to sell items at the auction, please group small items together, since we often run short on time. The club gets 20% of the sales from each auctioned item. You will need to settle up with Bob before you leave. The club can accept credit cards and checks, but cash is always more than welcome! You may set a reserve on your items if you wish. Like any other night, we will need to be cleaned up and out of the room at nine, so be prepared for a prompt start to our meeting and auction.

The Indianapolis Bonsai Club will once again be participating in the Penrod Art Fair, which takes place at the Indianapolis Museum of Art on Saturday, September 12. This has long been one of the club's larger fund raisers, so I am hoping for another good year.

Finally, let's start thinking about next year. The club's calendar year is two-thirds over. We need to start thinking of programs for the 2016 calendar year. I always appreciate your views, feedback and suggestions. I'd like to know what things you've liked and what you haven't. What would you like to see more of? What would you like to see less of? Are there any topics you'd like us to cover? Please feel free to email me at [syelich@comcast.net](mailto:syelich@comcast.net) if you'd like to weigh in on anything involving the 2016 calendar.

I look forward to seeing you at the annual auction!

Scott Yelich

**Indianapolis Bonsai Club  
August 5th, 2015  
Meeting Minutes  
Amanda Cox**

**Date & Time:** August 5th, 2015 from 7:00-9:00

**Location:** Garfield Park Conservatory Meeting Room

**Presiding:** Club President Scott Yelich

**Attendance:** 44 **Visitors:** 2

**Membership:** 54 paid households

**Checking/Savings Balance:** \$3831.28     **MABA Account:** \$7064.00

**State Fair**

August 7<sup>th</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup>

Session 1: August 7<sup>th</sup> – 11<sup>th</sup> Judging by Rodney Clemons

Session 2: August 11<sup>th</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup> Exhibit Only

**Mid-America Bonsai Exhibit**

Chicago Botanical Gardens

August 14<sup>th</sup> - August 16<sup>th</sup>

**September Meeting:** Annual Club Auction

MUST be a member to bid. \$25.00 membership fee

Everyone welcome to sell, club keeps 20% of all sales

**Tree of the Month:** Musk Maple

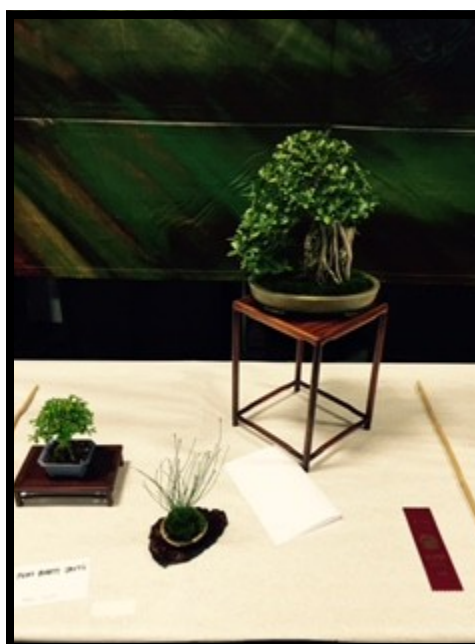
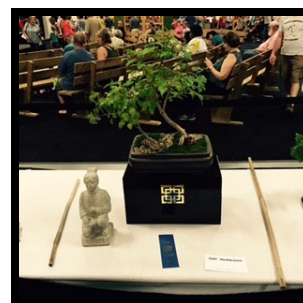
**Presenter:** Greg Madson

**Program:** Kingsville Boxwood Demo

**Presenter:** Rodney Clemons

\*Rodney's Boxwood will be auctioned off at the September club auction

# A “glimpse” of State Fair 2015







# **2015 Indiana State Fair Bonsai Judging Results**

## **Youth Division: Tie for 1<sup>st</sup> Place**

**Lincoln Fields Root Over Rocko**

**Zach Weishaar Korean Hornbeam**

## **Novice Division:**

**1<sup>st</sup> Place Marji Clark Japanese Box Maple**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Place Henry Geiger Juniper**

**3<sup>rd</sup> Place Tiffany Geiger Ficus**

## **Intermediate Division Indigenous:**

**1<sup>st</sup> Place Jack Mitenbuler Beech Grove**

## **Intermediate Division Tropical:**

**1<sup>st</sup> Place Jack Mitenbuler Natal Plum**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Place Steve Dick Fukien Tea**

**3<sup>rd</sup> Place Steve Dick Ficus**

## **Open Division Indigenous:**

**1<sup>st</sup> Place Mark Fields Euonumumus**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Place Carl Wooldridge American Beech**

## **Open Division Tropical:**

**1<sup>st</sup> Place Scott Yelich Ficus**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Place Mark Fields Root over Rock**

**3<sup>rd</sup> Place Scott Yelich Ficus**

## **Open Division Evergreen:**

**1<sup>st</sup> Place Carl Wooldridge White pine**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Place Mark Fields Black Pine**

**3<sup>rd</sup> Place Mark Fields White Pine**

## **Open Division Deciduous:**

**1<sup>st</sup> Place Mark Fields Trident Maple**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Place Mark Fields Chinese Elm**

## **Best Of Show:**

**Steve Knapp Blue Atlas Cedar**

**Checkout the updated IBC websites:**

**[www.indybonsai.org](http://www.indybonsai.org) / [www.maba2015.com](http://www.maba2015.com)**





**Mark Fields/Bonsai by Fields**



**Jason Parish**



**Mark Fields**



**Mark Fields**

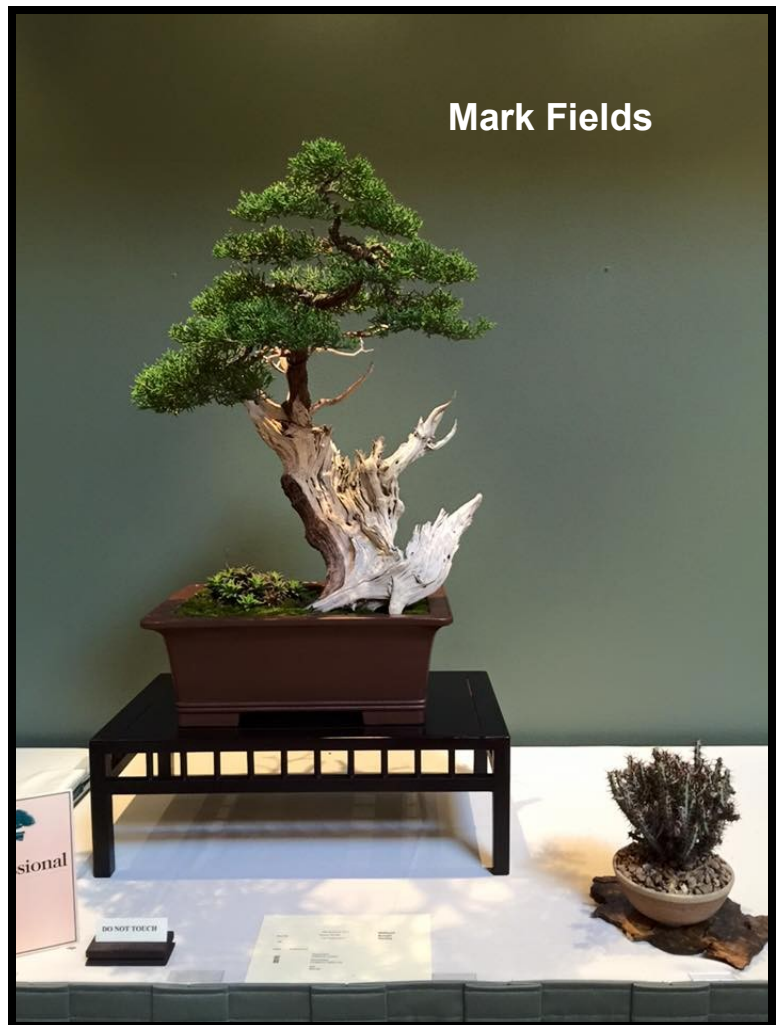


**Carl Wooldridge  
3rd Place**

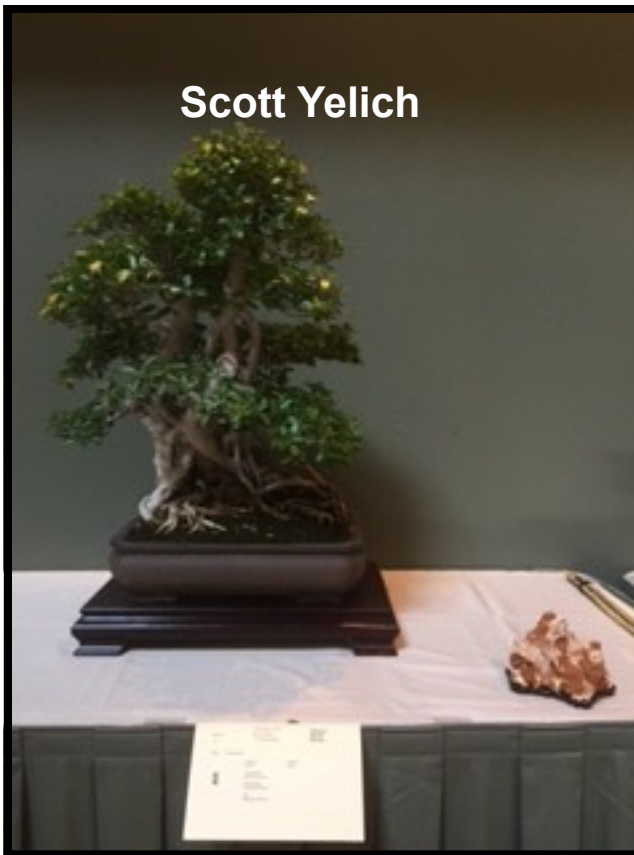
**Mark's Rocky Mountain Juniper won  
2nd Place, Professional Division**



**Scott Yelich**



**Mark Fields**



**Scott Yelich**



**Hank Martin**  
**3rd Place**

**IBC repre-  
sented well at  
Midwest  
Bonsai Exhibit  
in Chicago!**



# **It's Auction Time!**

**As a seller, gather up all your “extra, I don't know where I am going to put it” bonsai trees, tools, accessories and come sell them at the September 2 “Members Only” annual Auction. It's a great time for all!**

**As a buyer, we accept cash, check and mc/visa!**

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	MABA	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	Presentation on bonsai displays, winter prep, spring tasks	All	
12/2	Annual Dinner	The Annual Gala Celebration	All	
<b>Events</b>				
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	All	
August 7-15	State Fair	Exhibit and Sale	All	
September 12	Penrod Art Fair	Bonsai Sale on the grounds of the IMA	All	
September (TBD)	Bjorn Bjorholm	At Bonsai By Fields: contact Mark Fields for details	All	

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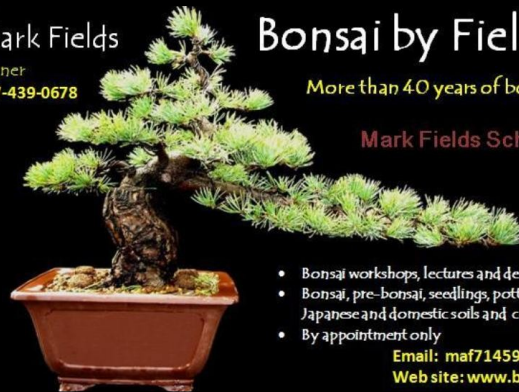
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# Club Information

*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

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