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INDIANAPOLIS BONSAI CLUB

The Bonsai Creation

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From the President

Spring is here, the weather is getting warmer and there are new colors in the trees. We need to watch the trees for new growth and also watch the weather for wind and cold snaps. I hope your trees are popping out. Do not forget fertilizer and insect/fungal sprays. For the new people to bonsai; everyone loses an occasional tree to winter.

Neil Dellinger is doing the May program on how to set up a bonsai display. This will be well worth your time. Neil and I started about the same time in bonsai, but Neil was on the fast track! He has worked with several outstanding teachers, including Ryan Neal, and has a good grasp of bonsai concepts. He is in charge of the exhibit for MABA, and has already developed his volunteer team. I have found him to be an excellent teacher and very approachable. Hope to see you there.

MABA

Registration for MABA is very disappointing. We have 20 people signed up and only 4 from the Indy Bonsai Club!! We are approaching the time where major expenses are to be made and need at least 40 people to register to proceed. If you are planning to register for MABA, please do it now! Newer members to bonsai often wonder if they will get something out of a convention. A club can not provide the diversity of knowledge and experience that a well prepared convention can give. MABA 2017 has both seasoned teachers like Bill Valavanis, Mary Madison, and Jim Doyle as well as rising stars such as Matt Reel and Ryan Bell. Extensive work has gone into finding outstanding material at the lowest possible cost. I have been to many conventions and feel that the material gathered for this one is high caliber. Please consider coming on board.

Carl Wooldridge



Indianapolis Bonsai Club

April 5th, 2017

Meeting Minutes

Alyssa Batula

Date & Time: April 5th, 2017

Location: Garfield Park Conservatory Meeting Room

Presiding: Club President Carl Wooldridge

Attendance: 34

Membership: 101 memberships, 1 new membership, 64 paid for 2017

Checking/Savings Balance:

Checking: \$250.40

Savings: \$7,091.80

The April meeting featured a workshop on root-over-rock style Bonsai. Rocks and trees (ficus or trident maple) were available for purchase to use in the workshop. Seedlings were wrapped over the rock and connected at the top to allow them to fuse together at the top to form the main trunk. Alternatively, roots were wrapped around the rock and buried in the ground. Always make sure you use a durable rock (never limestone!) for root-over-rock stylings.

Jud Scott from Vine & Branch brought some experimental bonsai stand designs to the meeting. The stands will probably be available at MABA.

Upcoming Events

MABA July 7-8

Registration is open

Can mail registration forms & payment to Kyle

Early registration is open until May 31st (there's a discount!)

Registration and more information available on the website

www.MABAbonsai.org

May Club Meeting

How to present a tree

Presented by Neil Dellinger

Covering pots, stands, and accent plants

MABA 2017 Bonsai Convention News

Registration is open for the 2017 Mid-America Bonsai Alliance (MABA) Convention being hosted by the Indianapolis Bonsai Club on July 7-8, 2017. A complete schedule of 32 events is scheduled for Friday and Saturday and there is a one-time full day pre-convention workshop with Matt Reel on Thursday, July 6. In addition there is a 4,000 square foot vendors room and a bonsai exhibit consisting of 100+ bonsai. There are 13 noted bonsai artists hosting Seminars, Workshops, Demos and Exhibit Critiques. Workshop and Critique spaces are limited so early registration is suggested. There is also an early registration discount cost.

The Clarion Hotel Waterfront Plaza & Conference Center is offering an unbelievably low cost of \$89 per night. Be sure to mention the MABA Convention to get this price.

For full information and registration forms, visit www.MABAbonsai.org

YOU'RE TAKING A BIG CHANCE!
... IF YOU HAVEN'T YET REGISTERED FOR MABA2017!!!

DON'T MISS OUT ON THE WORKSHOPS

YOU

WANT!

REGISTER TODAY!

CONTACT KYLE WEIDNER

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Mark Your Calendars!

MABA 2017

July 7, 8

July 6*

(*pre-convention workshop w/Matt Reel)

Clarion Hotel

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Date 2017	Meeting Topic	Detail	
1/4	Trends Shift	The shift in American trends toward trees, stands, and pots used in US national shows	Carl Wooldridge, Neil Dellinger, Mark Fields
2/1	Pottery	AV presentation on making bonsai pots	Mike Thiedeman
3/1	Maples	Doug Phillips: Trident Maples	Doug Phillips
4/5	Root over rock workshop	Modest fee for rocks and either Ficus or Maple trees	All
5/3	Preparing for Shows	Presentation for preparing your bonsai for display at shows	Neil Dellinger
6/7	Soil and Pot colors; Moss ball accent plants workshop	A report on his experiments on the effect of pot colors on soil temperature (Ron Fraley); Moss Ball accent plants workshop	
7/5	MABA site preview	On site preview of MABA Convention Preparations: Clarion Hotel & conference Center (Westside)	
8/2	State Fair Judge Bonsai Styling Demo	Bonsai styling by State Fair Bonsai Judge	
9/6	Members Only Auction	Annual Club Members Bonsai Auction	
10/4	Tropical bonsai Styling Workshop	Tropical Bonsai styling workshop. BYOT or trees available to buy (modest fee)	
11/1	Dueling Demos	Dueling Demos on late fall bonsai styling and care	
12/6	Annual Dinner	Annual Club Holiday Dinner and Raffle, Volunteer Raffle, Dead Tree Contest	

IBC Financial\$

4/15/17

Checking	\$ 656.45
Savings	\$ <u>6,591.80</u>
Total	\$ <u>7,248.25</u>

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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 2017-2018

President	Carl Wooldridge
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Checkout the IBC website:

www.indybonsai.org

www.mababonsai.org

(click on the MABA 2017 link)