

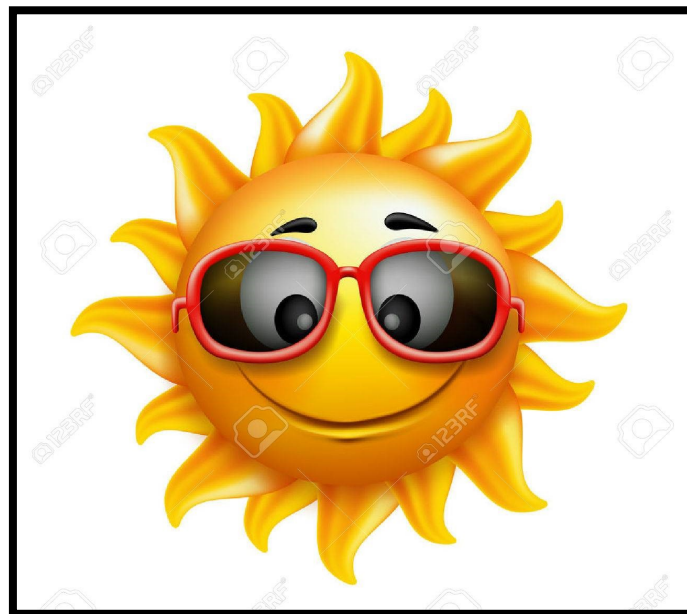
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INDIANAPOLIS BONSAI CLUB

# The Bonsai Creation

**IT'S THAT TIME IN  
INDIANA! THINGS ARE  
GETTING "HOT, HOT  
HOT!"**



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# From the Vice President

**H**ello Indy Bonsai Club members. Paul is taking a break this month, so I've been enlisted to do the monthly message. In case you haven't noticed, it's really hot outside right now. Our trees react to this heat about the same way we do as people. Many of them would like some afternoon shade, and all of them need extra water.

Some of my trees really love the heat. Many of my ficus trees and bougainvillea love being out in the blaring sun and they're growing like weeds. Other trees, like my maples, parrot's beaks and schefflera really don't like baking in the sun. Although these trees don't mind the morning sun, they really need some additional protection from the afternoon heat. I've repositioned these types of trees to areas of my garden than get morning sun, but afternoon shade from either the side of the house or one of the trees in my yard. All of my trees are drinking more water right now. With a streak of several days above 90F, I've been watering 2-3 times a day.

I'm sure that most of you are aware that the Indiana State Fair is right around the corner. Once again, there will be a judged bonsai display in the Agriculture/Horticulture Building during the first week of the fair. Once again, ribbons will be awarded based on years of experience and type of tree. We'll have classes for Youth, Novice, Intermediate and Open, furthermore, varieties of trees including tropical, deciduous, evergreen and indigenous to Indiana. The state fair display will also be broken into two sessions. Session One will run from Friday, August 2nd through Tuesday, August 6th. This session will be judged and ribbons will be awarded. The second session will run from Wednesday, August 7 until tear-down time, which normally happens around 7am Saturday morning. The second session is display only. No awards will be given. Since the building is fairly cool and the lighting dim, I would highly recommend NOT keeping a tree on display through both sessions. It will stress your tree.

As usual, we can always use extra help for the setup, which will be on Thursday, August 1st. We'll also need help manning the booth while the trees are on display. The building is open from 9AM - 9PM every day, and we really need someone out there while the building is open to visitors. Our volunteers are in charge of watering the trees and answering questions. (Don't worry! We get asked the same common questions over and over again!) Please talk to Steve Dick, our volunteer coordinator. He'll be happy to add you onto his volunteer schedule.

Finally, Let's talk a little about the upcoming August meeting. During our next meeting, you are invited to bring in a tree for a non-critical critique. I'm sorry to say, but neither Gordon Ramsay or Simon Cowell were available to conduct this critique for us. Instead, we'll have to rely on friendly senior members of the Indianapolis Bonsai Club for this. First of all, you have to understand that your tree is on a journey. It is always in a state of change. In a positive critique, we aren't looking for an opportunity to tell you what's bad. Rather, we are looking at a tree and reinforcing the positive attributes, while also making suggestions on ways to make your tree even better. I've been at this for a long time. I can still always find ways to make my best trees even better. At the end of the day, a critique is still really just somebody else's suggestions. You may agree with a suggestion or you may wish to follow your own path. It's *your* tree! There are no bonsai police that are going to take your tree if you disagree with their advice. I look forward to seeing you at our August 7th meeting.

*Scott Yelich*

# 2019 Indiana State Fair Bonsai Entry Form

Exhibitor Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Do you want name on display card? \_\_\_\_yes \_\_\_\_no

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## Session 1 Judged Bonsai (set up Aug 1 until 3 pm, display Aug 2 thru 6)

\_\_\_\_ Youth

Bonsai Information

\_\_\_\_ Novice

\_\_\_\_ Intermediate

Common Name \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_ Open

Botanical Name \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_ Evergreen

\_\_\_\_ Deciduous

\_\_\_\_ Tropical

\_\_\_\_ Indigenous

Comments \_\_\_\_\_

## Session 2 Exhibit Bonsai (set up Aug 6, display Aug 6 thru 10 must be out by 8 am Sunday, Aug 11)

\_\_\_\_ Youth

Bonsai Information

\_\_\_\_ Novice

\_\_\_\_ Intermediate

Common Name \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_ Open

Botanical Name \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_ Tropical

\_\_\_\_ Indigenous

\_\_\_\_ Deciduous

\_\_\_\_ Evergreen

Comments \_\_\_\_\_

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**Please submit 1 Entry Form for EACH Bonsai**

**Send forms to: Paul Weishaar**

**9211 N Central Avenue**

**Indianapolis, IN 46240**

**Email: [pwelshaar3@comcast.net](mailto:pwelshaar3@comcast.net)**

**Or bring forms to fair**

# **Indianapolis Bonsai Club**

**July 3, 2019**

## **Meeting Minutes**

Alyssa Batula

Date & Time: July 3rd, 7pm

Location: Garfield Park Conservatory Meeting Room

Presiding: Club President Paul Weishaar

Attendance: 40

Membership: 72

Checking/Savings Balance:

Checking: \$1,122.43

Savings: \$9,296.33

The July meeting began with a short overview on the care of tropical trees, followed by a tropical tree workshop.

### Announcements

#### State Fair Show

Setup Thursday Aug 1

Awards for classes: beginner, intermediate, senior (or display only)

Everyone is encouraged to bring a tree

#### Submit Articles For the Newsletter

Send in pictures of your trees, thoughts, anything!

#### Bonsai Club Library

Reminder, you can sign out a book to read on bonsai

#### August Meeting

Positive tree critique

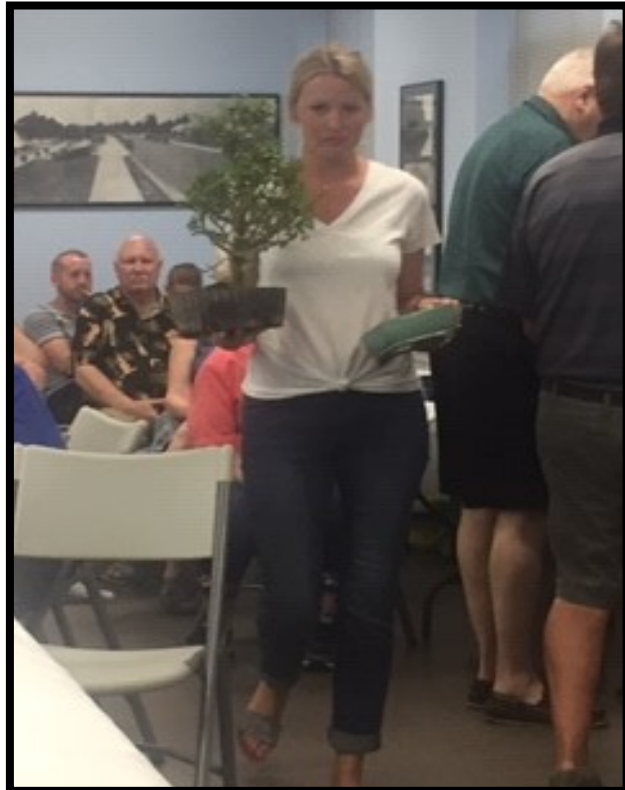
Bring a tree for advice on styling

# **TROPICALS**

## **ALWAYS A WORK IN PROGRESS**



**Members of the Club select a tropical tree to purchase/work on during the July 3 workshop presented by VP Scott Yelich of Eagle Creek Bonsai.**







Watch For  
MABA/Milwaukee 2020  
[www.milwaukeebonsai.org/maba](http://www.milwaukeebonsai.org/maba)



June 25 – 28, 2020  
Insights into Bonsai

François Jeker (France)  
Ted Matson (California)



## **Bonsai Events**

**For IBC Monthly Meetings/events+ visit [www.indybonsai.org](http://www.indybonsai.org)**

### **Local and National Bonsai events in 2019**

**January 6, 2019 Plant City Bonsai Open House, 1pm - 5pm, Clermont, GA**

**February 23 – 24, 2019 GSBF Bonsai – A – Thon XXIII, The Huntington Gardens, San Marino, CA**

**March 9, 2019 Brussel's Bonsai Annual Spring Bonsai Sale, Olive Branch, MS**

**March 9 – 17, 2019 Indiana Flower and Patio Show, Indiana State Fairgrounds**

**March 16 – 17, 2019 Atlanta Bonsai Society Spring Show, Atlanta Botanical Gardens, Atlanta, GA**

**March 23, 2019 IBC Bonsai 101 Class, Garfield Park Conservatory, Indianapolis, IN**

**March 30, 2019 Deciduous Workshop at Eagle Creek Bonsai, Indianapolis, IN**

**April 6 – 7, 2019 Phoenix Bonsai Society Annual Bonsai Show, Valley Garden Center, Phoenix, AR**

**April 11 – 14, 2019 ABS 2019 National Convention, Houston Marriott, Houston, TX**

**April 12 – 14, 2019 MidAtlantic Bonsai Societies Spring Festival, Holiday Inn, Harrisburg, PA**

**April 13 – 14, 2019 Northern Virginia Bonsai Society Spring Show, Merrifield Garden Center, Fairfax, VA**

**April 20, 2019 IBC Nursery Tour, Eagle Creek Nursery, Indianapolis, IN**

**April 27 – 28, 2019 Mid- Appalachian Bonsai Kai, Spring Show, Kingsport Civic Auditorium, Kingsport, TN**

**May 11 – 12, 2019 Midwest Bonsai Society Spring Bonsai Exhibit, Chicago Botanic Gardens, Glencoe, IL**

**May 11 – 12, 2019 Michigan All-State Bonsai Show, Miejer Gardens, Grand Rapids, MI**

**May 18-19, 2019 Alabama Bonsai Society Show, Birmingham Botanical Gardens, Birmingham, AL**

**May 24 – 26, 2019 Brussel's Bonsai Rendezvous, Olive Branch, MS**

**May 24 – 26, 2019 Bonsai Societies of Florida Convention, Florida Hotel, Orlando, FL**

**May 31 – June 2, 2019 Potomac Bonsai Association Convention, National Arboretum, Washington, DC**

**June 1 – 2, 2019 Garfield Park Bonsai Exhibit, Indianapolis, IN**

**June 29 – 30, 2019 US National Shohin Bonsai Exhibit, Southeast Kannapolis, NC**

**August 2 – 10, 2019 Indiana State Fair Bonsai Exhibit, Indiana State Fairgrounds, Indianapolis, IN**

**August 16 – 18, 2019 Midwest Bonsai Society Bonsai Show, Chicago Botanical Gardens, Glencoe, IL**

**September 7, 2019 Penrod Arts Fair, Indianapolis Museum of Art, Indianapolis, IN**

**September 15, 2019 7<sup>th</sup> Annual The Art of Bonsai, Hidden Lakes Garden, Tipton, MI**

**For other Indiana Bonsai Organizations schedules visit their websites:**

**[michianabonsaistudy.club](http://michianabonsaistudy.club)**

**[Fortwaynebonsai.com](http://Fortwaynebonsai.com)**

Date 2019 Meetings	Program
January 2	Finding the Bonsai
February 6	Soils Program
March 6	Repotting Demo/Bring Your Own Tree to Repot
April 3	Deciduous Workshop
May 1	Repot/Restyle Garfield Park Bonsai Collection
June 5	Members Sale / Fertilizing and Disease Prevention
July 3	Tropical Workshop
August 7	Bring Your Own Tree / Positive Bonsai Critique
September 4	Annual Members Only Auction
October 2	Evergreen Workshop
November 6	Bonsai Slab Construction Demo
December 4	Christmas GALA

## IBC Board of Directors

### 2019-2020 Officers

**Paul Weishaar – President**

**Scott Yelich – Vice President**

**Bob Hoy – Treasurer**

**Alyssa Batula – Secretary**

**Carl Wooldridge - Past President**

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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+ 2019-2020

President	Paul Weishaar
Vice President	Scott Yelich
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