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INDIANAPOLIS BONSAI CLUB

The Bonsai Creation

Fall



... and Winter is just around the corner.

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Indianapolis Bonsai Club

September 4th 2019

Meeting Minutes

Alyssa Batula

Date & Time: September 4th, 7pm

Location: Garfield Park Conservatory Meeting Room

Presiding: Club President Paul Weishaar

Attendance: 39

The annual members-only auction was held during the September 4th meeting. 55 bonsai-related items were sold, including trees, pots, accent plants, and tools..

Focus On MABA/Milwaukee 2020

www.milwaukeebonsai.org/maba



June 25 - 28, 2020

Insights into Bonsai

Insights into Artists

François Jeker (France)

Ted Matson (California)

Mark Fields (Indiana)

Byron Myrick (Mississippi)

Jennifer Price (Illinois)

Todd Schlafer (Colorado)



MABA/MILWAUKEE 2020

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TED MATSON



BEGINNER FREINDLY

Just getting started in bonsai, be sure to head to Milwaukee and join other enthusiasts, artist, and MABA members on June 25-28, 2020. Beginner friendly headlining artist Ted Matson from Southern California will help you get started.

Curator of the Huntington Bonsai Collection in greater Los Angeles, Ted Matson is well known for quality care and design of bonsai.



He is also recognized for his great service to the art of bonsai; someone who promoted the art of bonsai and encouraged cooperation and unity of effort to achieve excellence within the entire bonsai community. To impress the significance of this President's Gold Diamond Award, we should note only one other person has ever been bestowed this award and that was John Naka.

Ted Matson's service extends to our area clubs. MBS and others owe a great deal of our continued growth and success to him.

MABA Milwaukee 2020 is offering Japanese black pines that have been developed as shohin by Ted Matson. Another workshop on Experience with Nursery Material will provide guidance to develop bonsai using readily available nursery stock.

Milwaukee Bonsai Society through its Excellence in Bonsai program is honored to pick up all travel, hotel and meal expenses for this generous artist. Take advantage of this affordable opportunity, see a demonstration and take one of his four beginner friendly workshops.



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WORKSHOPS

One of the most enticing events of any bonsai convention should be the workshop and material opportunities. The guest artists have worked hard to provide quality material by selecting the trees for you to select and gain valuable insight from them.

“EXPERIENCE WITH” WORKSHOPS

Special emphasis is being paid to how you choose, prepare and work with collected, pre-bonsai and nursery material. Attend one or all three of these special “*Experience With*” sessions as a workshop participant or observer. As a workshop attendee you will get the material and hands on experience/guidance with your material. As a silent observer, you can observe this guidance.

MATERIAL PROVIDED WORKSHOPS

Enjoy some of the unique material our artists were able to provide. Starting with Silverberry a tree with silvery white leaves, or Ted Matson's shohin pine material that he has been developing, or Todd Schlafer's collected material from the Colorado Rockies, and who can pass up working on material presented to the New Artist Competition. How about making your own accent or shohin pot?

BRING YOUR OWN MATERIAL WORKSHOPS

Suitable for all levels Bring Your Own Material or purchase something at the vendor area. It's a great way to both start a bonsai by setting the structure or get guidance as you enter refinement stage.

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FALLING BEHIND ON FALL

Wow! We've had quite an unusually warm September. Autumn officially started about a week ago and it feels like mid summer. They used to refer to this as an 'Indian Summer' but due to political correctness, I guess I will refer to it as an Indigenous Peoples extended period of heat. No matter what you want to call it, I've taken advantage of it! I was able to get a little late season re-potting done on some of my tropical trees. I've had additional time to clean out and wash my greenhouse, too. I normally have my tropical trees moved inside my house or greenhouse by mid September--but not this year!

Despite the fact that I'm watering twice a day right now and I've taken advantage of this heat wave, we all know that we live in Indiana, so weather patterns can turn on a dime. Before we know it, Jack Frost will be back and ready for business. It would be smart to prepare for cooler temperatures now, if you haven't already.

I don't normally move my deciduous and evergreen trees to their protective locations until early November, so I'm just going to let them sit where they are for now. Perhaps we'll talk about winter prep for those trees when the time comes. Right now, we really need to have a plan of action in place for our tropical trees.

First, we need to make space available for our tropical trees. In my case, I simply move most into the greenhouse. Others will go inside in front of my picture windows or into my basement, under grow lights. I need to get all those spaces ready. For the greenhouse, I want to make sure that my heater(s) and fans are working. I make sure that the greenhouse windows are washed and the floors are cleaned of weeds, dead leaves and debris. For my windows inside, it is best to clean them too, before I put a bunch of trees in front of them. I also get my humidity trays ready to go. I highly recommend using humidity trays for my indoor plants. If you aren't familiar with the concept of a humidity tray, I recommend going to YouTube and searching for 'Humidity Trays.' There are some helpful guides which will show you how and why they are important. Now is also a good time to replace the bulbs for my basement grow lights. It's easier to check them and replace them now, before I have my benches covered with tree cuttings.

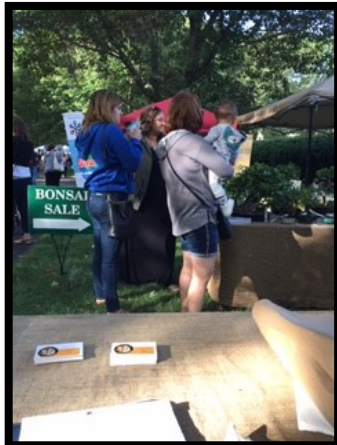
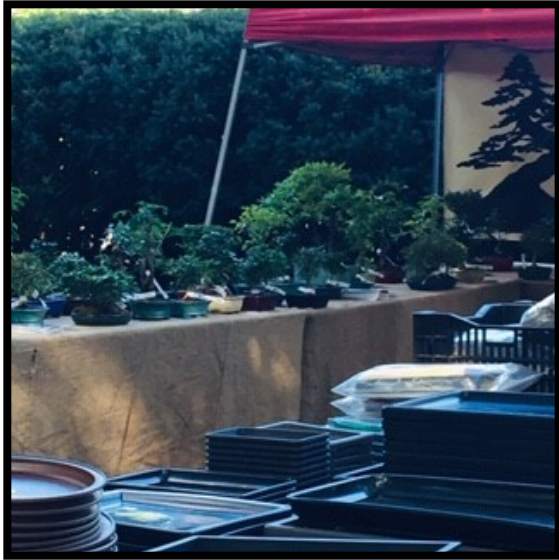
Next, I will treat my trees with a dose of insecticide and fungicide a couple of days before moving them in. During the winter, the tropical trees don't go completely dormant, but they do slow down. During this time, they are more susceptible to insect or fungal attacks. I think that a little preventative maintenance is always the best bet.

Finally, I will move my trees to their winter homes. Once my tropical trees are moved for the winter, I'll have a little over a month before I have to start moving my outside trees for the winter.....unless Mother Nature pulls another silly stunt. This is Indiana, after all!

Scott Yelich

Vice President

PENROD 2019



Bonsai Events

For IBC Monthly Meetings/events+ visit 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, Mijer 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 7th Annual The Art of Bonsai, Hidden Lakes Garden, Tipton, MI

For other Indiana Bonsai Organizations schedules visit their websites:

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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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