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BONSAI CLUB

INDIANAPOLIS

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2024

It's going to be a

GREAT

Year!

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From the President



appy new year! I hope everyone had a wonderful holiday season and stayed warm and healthy. I know I enjoyed our holiday gala, and I definitely enjoyed passing on the dead tree award. Hopefully our November discussion on winter tree care helps us cut down on the number of eligible dead trees next year!

January is a pretty quiet month, but we're starting off the year making clay kusamono pots. This is always a fun workshop, getting your hands dirty and creating something new. The club takes care of bringing tools and firing the clay, so at the end you'll have a fully usable new pot (or maybe two).

Kusamono (a.k.a. accent plants) are a great way to add to a tree display by helping set the scene for your tree. Add a small succulent to a jade to really sell the desert idea. Or maybe something delicate and grassy with a single flower to make the viewer think of spring. These accent plants will come up again in future meetings when we make jita (stands to display kusamono on) or discuss how to arrange trees for a show.

Alyssa Batula, President



The IBC currently has an exhibit at the Indianapolis Zoo White River Gardens.

Stop by and see it!

(A big IBC "Thank You" to members Paul Weishaar and Scott Yelich for their efforts and trees for the exhibit!)

Indianapolis Bonsai Club Calendar 2024

For the most current calendar, visit our website: www.indybonsai.org

Find us on Facebook: Indianapolis Bonsai Club

January 3		Pinch Pot Workshop
February 7		Create a Wooden Kusamono Slab Work Shop
March 6		How to Air Layer from a Larger Tree Demo
April 3		Workshop: Native Indiana Trees
May 1		Interactive Demo Learn to Set Up a Show
		Display
June 5		Workshop: Bring Your Own Tree for Friendly Critique & Work on Garfield Park Bonsai Trees
July 3		Create a Single or "Small" Grove of Tropical Trees
August 7		Demo: Guest Artist Styling a Larger tree
September 4		Members Only Auction
October 2		Styling and Wiring a Conifer
November 6	•	Bonsai Tools for Beginners to Advanced Demo
December 4		Annual Bonsai Club Holiday Dinner, Raffle and Dead Tree Award
		<u>Special Events</u>
June 8-9		Garfield Park Exhibit and Sale
August 2 - 11		Indiana State Fair Exhibit and Sale
September 7		Penrod Arts Fair Bonsai Sale

Bonsai Minutes 12/6/2023

Checking: \$1444.67 Savings: \$6704.51 Total: \$8149.18

Location—Journey Restaurant, Fishers, Indiana

Time: 6:00 p.m.

President - Alyssa Batula VP- Robert Scarborough Secretary - Randy Suhre Treasurer- Robert Hoy Membership - 99 Paid membership- 83

The club held its annual Christmas party at the Journey Restaurant in Fishers, Indiana. Raffle tickets were sold, and prizes were provided by our sponsors, Eagle Creek Bonsai (Scott Yelich), Bonsai by Fields (Mark Fields), and Circle City Bonsai (Bob Hoy).

A good time was had by all! Food was plentiful and good'

Thank You.

Randy Suhre Secretary

Bonsai Minutes 1/3/2024

In January, club members made Kusamono pots under the tutelage and guidance of Scott Yelich, Eagle Creek Bonsai.

Checking: \$1,444.67 Savings: \$6,704.51 Total: \$8,149.18

Thank You,

Randy Suhre Secretary

If you are interested in/willing to write an article, share photos or announcements for the e-news, please do! Send to: indianapolisbonsaclub@gmail.com, or robertlouishoy@gmail.com.

The 2024 IBC Membership Directory is in progress. Once completed, we will have copies for members at the first available meeting after received.

For the most up to date calendar, visit our website: www.indybonsai.org



Kusamono: A "pinch" here, a "pinch" there!





Club Information

Visitors are always WELCOME!!!

<u>Where:</u> Garfield Park Conservatory

2450 Shelby Street Indianapolis, Indiana

When: First Wednesday of each

month

Time: 7:00 pm

<u>Club Dues:</u> Dues are \$25 per calendar

year. Cost includes (up to) two members of the same

household.

Club Officers+ 2023-2024

President Alyssa Batula

Vice President Neil Scarborough

Secretary Randy Suhre

Treasurer Robert Hoy

Past President Scott Yelich

Membership Steven Dick

Web Master Neil Scarborough

Volunteers Steven Dick

Historian Paul Weishaar

Librarian Paul Weishaar

MABA//BCI Paul Weishaar

ABS Mark Fields

Publications/Photos Robert Hoy
Garfield Curator Hailey Rhodes

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