# THE BONSAI CREATION A PUBLICATION OF THE INDIANAPOLIS BONSAI CLUB





PICTURED: PRIZES FROM OUR HOLIDAY GALA.
PROVIDED BY: HAILEY RHODES

# HAPPY NEW YEAR FROM THE INDIANAPOLIS BONSAI CLUB!

We are so excited for what 2025 has in store of club. From new club meeting activities to a second Garfield Park show, our club officers have made sure to include a variety of ways to get involved in the club this year. Learn more about all of this inside!

As a reminder- to celebrate the New Year, instead of meeting January 1st, we will have our January Meeting on January 8th at Garfield Park.

IN THIS ISSUE

# MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

HOLIDAY GALA SUMMARY

GARFIELD PARK
COLLECTION

2025 CALENDAR HIGHLIGHTS

CLUB CALENDAR
AND INFORMATION

#### A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Greetings, I hope everyone has had a good Christmas and a happy start to the new year. As we go forward into the new year and growing season, we soon will start to see our trees coming out of winter dormancy. The club has put together new plans and projects for the New Year. It's going to be a fun year and as your new president I look forward to seeing everyone at the club meetings. Also I would like to acknowledge Robert Hoy and all the years of service he gave to the club as its treasurer. I would also like thank the continued support of our club sponsors; Bonsai by Fields and Eagle Creek Bonsai.

God bless, Sincerely, President Randy Suhre

## **CLUB OFFICERS+ 2025**

**VOLUNTEERS:** STEVEN DICK

LIBRARIAN: PAUL WEISHAAR

MABA/BCI: PAUL WEISHAAR

PRESIDENT: RANDY SUHRE

VICE PRESIDENT: HAILEY RHODES HISTORIAN: PAUL WEISHAAR

SECRETARY: WAYNE MADSEN

TREASURER: STEVEN DICK

PAST PRESIDENT: ALYSSA BATULA ABS: MARK FIELDS

.....

MEMBERSHIP: STEVEN DICK PUBLICATIONS: HAILEY RHODES

WEB MASTER: NEIL SCARBOROUGH GARFIELD CURATOR: HAILEY RHODES

#### HOLIDAY GALA SUMMARY

Thank you to everyone who joined us for the Holiday Gala at The Journey Seafood Buffet. It was wonderful to kick off the holiday season by spending time with good food and good friends. We also were able to give away some great raffle prizes, including trees, pots, books, and wire.

We know that hosting the gala on the north side of Indianapolis can be challenging for some members, so if you have recommendations for buffets in other parts of the city, please let us know.

#### GARFIELD PARK COLLECTION UPDATES

Part of our club's agreement with Garfield Park Conservatory is caring for their bonsai collection. We are pleased to say that after the trees' most recent pruning and repotting, they are pushing out new growth and improving spectacularly. We will continue to highlight these trees' progress.



#### THANK YOU TO OUR CORPORATE SPONSORS!





#### **HIGHLIGHTS OF THE 2025 IBC CALENDAR**

For this year's 2025 club calendar, our officers' goal was to provide a variety of learning opportunities for both new bonsai hobbyists and veteran club members alike. We have club members presenting on evergreen topics like bonsai care throughout the year, principles of design, and shaping and wiring. We have hands-on workshops with both deciduous and tropical trees as well as opportunities to bring your own trees for activities like re-potting or photo-logging.

We also have some new programming this year to expand our bonsai knowledge. First, following Jason Parrish's February discussion about collecting yamadori, we will be scheduling a Saturday field trip to collect yamadori ourselves. Second, we will be having a visiting bonsai master demonstration with Mike Devore. This is a great learning opportunity for members of all experience levels.

Finally, we have opportunities for our members to display their own trees. In addition to our annual Spring Garfield Park Show in June and Indiana State Fair Show in August, we will have a second Fall Garfield Park Show in September! These events give members multiple chances to show off their trees to the public.

#### SHARE YOUR BONSAI IN OUR SOCIAL MEDIA & NEWSLETTER

The Indianapolis Bonsai Club is on Facebook and Instagram. You can follow our Instagram account at @indybonsaiclub. We want to include club members' photos on social media and in newsletters. If you would like to submit a photo for Instagram or the newsletter, email a photo with your name to indybonsaiclub@gmail.com.



# **INDY BONSAI CLUB 2025 CALENDAR**

JAN 8: Scheduling Bonsai Care Through the Year-Randy Suhre

FEB 5: Collecting Yamadori- Jason Parrish; Free Bonsai Member Sales

MAR 5: Principles of Bonsai Design- Mark Blakely

APR 2: Styling Demonstration - Hank Martin (tree in Sept. auction)

MAY 7: Deciduous plantings on lace rock workshop- Paul Weishaar

JUN 4: Root over rock tropical workshop- Scott Yelich

JUL 2: Bonsai Master Demo- Mike Devore (tree in Dec. Gala Raffle)

AUG 6: Bring Your Own Tree Re-pot/Wire Workshop

SEP 3: Annual Members Only Bonsai Auction

OCT 1: Severe wiring and shaping a bonsai- Mark Fields

NOV 5: Photo-logging bonsai development (Bring a tree) - Paul Weishaar

DEC 3: Annual IBC Members Holiday Gala, Raffle, & Dead Tree Award

## **SPECIAL EVENTS**

JUN 7&8: Garfield Park Spring Show

JUL 20: Club Picnic at Paul Weishaar's Home

AUG 1-11: Indiana State Fair Show & Sale

SEP 6: Penrod Arts Fair Show & Sale

SEP 13&14: Garfield Park Fall Show

FIND OUR MOST CURRENT CALENDAR AT

WWW.INDYBONSAI.ORG

### **CLUB INFORMATION**

#### WHERE:

GARFIELD PARK CONSERVATORY
2450 SHELBY ST,

INDIANAPOLIS, IN

#### WHEN:

1ST WEDNESDAY OF THE MONTH

**TIME:** 7:00 PM

CLUB DUES: \$25 PER CALENDAR

YEAR, INCLUDES UP TO 2 MEMBERS

OF THE SAME HOUSEHOLD.

#### **FOLLOW US ONLINE**

**WEBSITE:** 

www.indybonsai.org

**FACEBOOK:** 

Indianapolis Bonsai club

INSTAGRAM:

@indybonsaiclub

VISITORS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME!