



Bonsai Club of Santa Barbara

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TUESDAY, MARCH 12, 2013
Goleta Community Center, 5679 Hollister Avenue, Goleta
Coffee and book exchange from 7:00 P.M.
Program at 7:30 P.M.

PROGRAM: TED MATSON ON OAKS: PART TWO



When Ted was here last June he brought in an oak in a five-gallon container. He cut the tree down considerably to give it its basic framework and then repotted it in a smaller growing container. He will bring the tree back again this month to continue with its development.

For our newer members who might not yet know Ted, he began studying bonsai in 1979 and today he maintains a busy schedule, traveling to nurseries, clubs and study groups throughout the state of California and across the U.S. for workshops and critiques. Ted is only the second person (John Naka was the first) to be awarded the Golden State Bonsai Federation's *President's Gold Diamond Award*.

The accompanying picture shows Ted during his demo last year with a Boxwood which he may also work on again this year.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



It was terrific see the turnout at last month's meeting. Not only did we gain a new member, Glen Weirick, but several faces from years back were in attendance. Nicki Austin from Tulsa, Oklahoma dropped in for a visit thanks to our online site wonderfully maintained by Joe Olson.

We have just gained access to our new library site at the Goleta Valley Community Center. You no longer need to be a part time weight lifter to be the librarian.

I hope you all noticed our article in the new edition of Ironwood. If you are not already a member of the Botanic Garden, it is a wonderful place to visit and be a member. Please start thinking about places to deliver the flyers for our show. I have many locations identified and the contact person at those places. We will be asking for assistance to deliver those flyers at a future date.

If you have native trees, please start getting those ready for the show. We will have a separate area for those in addition to the ones you might have already planned to have as your show tree. If you have interesting stories about those natives, do write up a short article which we will try to include at the native area.

Hope to see you at the next meeting.

Tom

LAST MONTH: BOB PRESSLER ON REPOTTING



Bob repotted the old collected California Juniper shown in the picture, as well as a young hackberry. Early spring is the best time to transplant. Start to train roots the very first time you repot the tree to get it started on the right track. If you want to build the trunk, bury the tree's nursery container partially in the ground. Roots will grow out the drainage holes and make it easier to dig the tree up later. When you repot, have the container, soil, spray bottle filled with water, wires, and everything else you will need ready in order to minimize the time the tree will be out of the pot. Keep the roots moist as you remove most of the old soil. Work the new soil well into the roots. At the end of his demonstration, Bob gave the newly trimmed and potted hackberry to new member Glen Weirick who was attending his first meeting.

COMING EVENTS:

MARCH 16: BONSAI CLUB OF SANTA BARBARA.

Saturday Workshop, 9:00 AM to noon, or 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM, Goleta Valley Community Center. Mel Ikeda, guest instructor.

MARCH 23-24: CALIFORNIA BONSAI SOCIETY ANNUAL SHOW



Huntington Library and Botanical Gardens, 1151 Oxford Road, San Marino. Mauro Stemberger two-day workshop located in the Teaching Greenhouse. Bring-your-tree half-day and full-day sessions are available. Silent observers encouraged. For details contact Michael Jonas, 818-776-0813 or mjonas48@hotmail.com.

MARCH 30: BONSAI CLUB OF SANTA BARBARA.

Italy's Mauro Stemberger is coming Saturday, March 30, for a special workshop. If you would like to participate but haven't yet signed up, let Tom Post know as soon as possible. There is \$20 fee and you must bring your own material. There will be an afternoon session and a morning session. See Mauro's website: www.italianbonsaidream.com/. The fee does not cover the entire cost of the workshop which is one in an occasional series offered in memory of our late long-time member Sally Gilmore and subsidized by a generous gift to the club from Sally's family.

APRIL 9: BONSAI CLUB OF SANTA BARBARA.

Regular Tuesday evening meeting. Leroy Kubel's annual visual presentation of our show and other events of 2012. Leroy always put on a great show!

MAY 18-19: BONSAI CLUB OF SANTA BARBARA

Our annual show and plant sale at Santa Barbara Botanic Garden. The club always puts on one of the best shows anywhere and it's only two months away, so it's time to be thinking about getting your trees ready to show. The show flyer is available for viewing and downloading at:

<http://www.santabarbarabonsai.org/shows/2013%20show/2013%20poster.pdf> .

JUNE 15-16, 2013: LA CAÑADA FLINTRIDGE, CALIFORNIA.

Descanso Bonsai Society: Annual Show at Descanso Gardens, 1418 Descanso Drive. Hours are 9 AM - 5 PM, with Demonstrations 11 AM and 1 PM each day. Sales area open to the public. Admission to the exhibition is free with admission to Descanso Gardens, which is free to members of Santa Barbara Botanic Garden.

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