

ANNUAL SHOW AND PLANT SALE MAY 16-17



Bonsai Club of Santa Barbara

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TUESDAY, MAY 12, 2009

Goleta Community Center, 5679 Hollister Avenue, Goleta

Coffee and book exchange from 7:00 P.M.

Program at 7:30 P.M.

BONSAI
WEEKEND

PROGRAM: LEROY KUBEL'S ANNUAL MULTIMEDIA EVENT

For many years, charter member **Leroy Kubel** has taken outstanding photos of our annual show, staying long past the official closing time of the show on Saturday to get everything just right. Back in the dark ages of photography up until, oh, say four or five years ago, his beautiful photos were taken with slide film. Today, his annual slide show has moved on to a multimedia event on a DVD, complete with photos of events other than our show, and with music. Leroy has placed himself in a very difficult position because every year since entering the digital age he has consistently worked feverishly to outdo his previous year's effort. I'm sure he has a surprise or two up his sleeve again this year, but rest assured, Leroy, that the club has always thoroughly enjoyed your slide show, and even if those live musicians and dancers don't show up we'll be delighted with your presentation. At any rate Leroy's show is a must-see event.

THIS IS SHOW MONTH – SATURDAY MAY 16 AND SUNDAY MAY 17

Our most important event of the year is almost here. By now, the dates should be engraved in stone on your calendar, if that's possible to do. **Please plan to enter at least one tree.** If you always wait until next year when you will have that "perfect" tree, you will never show one, so go outside right now, yes, right now--take a flashlight if it's dark--pick one tree out, or better yet, pick two out, put the information on the enclosed entry sheet and bring it to the meeting or send it to show chair Ann Erb by mail or e-mail well before the show. If you need to borrow a stand or need an accessory plant, let Ann know. She is often able to help you find one. **Trees need to be delivered to the Garden by 9:00 AM** in order to insure that the show is open to the public by 11:00 AM.

Show **set-up will start at 7:00 AM** at the Botanic Garden on **Saturday**. Volunteers are always needed. A sign-up sheet will be available at the meeting this month, but volunteers are always welcome even if they haven't officially signed up. **Teardown starts at 4:00 pm** on **Sunday** as soon as the show closes and volunteers are always needed and welcome then, too. Volunteers get free admission to the Garden if they are not Garden members. Leroy Kubel's photography crew has been arranged and is standing by to start at 4:01 PM on Saturday.

For those planning to sell items at the sale, **contact Theresa Stiem for plant sale forms** and fill them out before the sale. There will be lots of pots and books on sale from Sally Gilmore's collection, and some of Edna Hesthal's trees, too.

Andrew Nelson and Ann Erb will do the 1:00 demos with some of the more interesting trees from Edna Hesthal's collection. Members are invited to work at the "Bonsai Clinic" table and to bring trees to work on as informal demos anytime during show hours.

Our club, small as it is, always puts on a great show. I'm sure this year will be the best yet!

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LAST MONTH'S PROGRAM

Tom Post gave us lots of hints and encouragement about preparing and showing trees, so now you have no excuse not to enter a tree in this year's show.

SILENT AUCTION OF EDNA HESTHAL'S TREES.

If you missed the silent auction of Edna's trees at Tom Post's house on April 25, you missed an opportunity to go home with some very nice material at a reasonable price. I'm sure we'll see some very nice trees at future shows, thanks to the generosity of Edna's son Marc and daughter Eva. Thanks to Tom for holding the trees and hosting the auction at his house.

COMING EVENTS

May 16-17: Encino, California Sansui-Kai will hold its Annual Bonsai Show in conjunction with the Sepulveda Garden Fair, May 16 and 17, 2009, at The Sepulveda Garden Center, 16633 Magnolia Blvd., Encino, CA. The indoor exhibition will be available for viewing from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., while the Garden Fair is open. Free admission. Plant and pot sales. Daily demonstrations. For more information contact Michael Jonas (818) 776-0813, mjonas48@hotmail.com.

May 17: Grass Valley, California. Nevada County Bonsai Club: First Annual Show & Sale. Veteran's Memorial Building, 255 South Auburn St. Hours are 10AM-4PM. There will be a bonsai display, demonstrations, raffles, refreshments, and a sales area with trees, pots, and other bonsai-related articles. Free admission. For further information contact Leo Martinez, (530) 273-2628. (Ed. note: Sorry, but I couldn't resist listing this item. I lived in Grass Valley in the 1970's and never met another single soul there who grew bonsai.)

May 24, 25, 26: Arcadia, California. Santa Anita Bonsai Society: Memorial Day Weekend Annual Show at the Los Angeles County Arboretum, 301 N. Baldwin Ave. Hours are 10AM-4PM each day. Demonstration each day at 1PM. Potluck reception on Saturday evening May 24th from 6:30 to 9:30PM. Bonsai tools, trees and pots available for purchase. All events are open to the public. Visit website: www.sabonsai.org for more information.

May 30: Beginners Class, Goleta Valley Community Center

Our club's annual one-day beginner's class will take place between 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. All beginners are welcome. Sign-up sheet will be available at the show. The \$25.00 fee includes plant, pot, instruction, and membership in the club for the remainder of the year.



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