



Bonsai Club of Santa Barbara

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TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2010
Goleta Community Center, 5679 Hollister Avenue, Goleta
Coffee and book exchange from 7:00 P.M.
Program at 7:30 P.M.

PROGRAM: CRITIQUE OF MEMBERS' TREES

This month we'll have another of our occasional critiques of trees our members bring in. "Critique" is probably not the best word to describe the night's program: The idea is to provide helpful suggestions, answer questions, and try to help solve any problems you might have with your tree. At any rate, you will get several--possibly conflicting--opinions which you will then be free to follow or ignore as you please. It's usually a lot of fun, so bring trees in any stage of training along with your questions.

LAST MONTH: ANN ERB ON AZALEAS AND PINES



Ann brought in a couple each of black pines and Satsuki azaleas. (For a bit of bonsai trivia, Satsuki can be written several ways in Japanese and have several meanings. When written as 五月 in kanji characters satsuki means "May" which is when the plants flower. Satsuki is pronounced sá-ts-ki.) In fall, both pines and azaleas should be thinned to two buds per shoot, and the needles or leaves should be thinned as well. Keep them in full sun. Wire November to February. Azaleas should be allowed to flower only every third year. Don't shorten the trunk of an azalea or it will rot and die before its time.

2011 CLUB OFFICERS



By the day of our meeting, the country's election day will mercifully have come and gone, but November is also when the club, in theory at least, has elections for the coming year. If you would be at all willing to take on one of the club's offices, please raise your hand. No attack ads are necessary and you don't have to spend any money campaigning. We definitely need to find at least a new Treasurer, but several of the other incumbents as well would be happy to relinquish their offices to you. None of the jobs are impossibly difficult and you can always count on the support of the other board members and of the person whom you replace.

DO YOU NEED ANY NURSERY CANS?



I'm in the process of cleaning up my backyard and want to get rid of a large collection of plastic nursery containers that I no longer need, from 2-inch liners to 15-gallon size. If you would like to have any or all of them, let me (Joe Olson) know at joeyuccaseed@verizon.net or 964-0869.

COMING EVENTS

The GSBF convention will have ended by the time you get this newsletter, and there aren't many other bonsai events in southern California this November or December. There's the big Winter Silhouettes show at the LA Arboretum in January, but the date hasn't been announced yet.

Here are two important events close to home that you won't want to miss:

NOVEMBER 20: BONSAI CLUB OF SANTA BARBARA.

Saturday Workshop. Lindsay Shiba, guest instructor.

DECEMBER 13: BONSAI CLUB OF SANTA BARBARA.

Annual Winter potluck and raffle. Date to be confirmed and location to be announced. Complete information in next month's newsletter. No other Club activities in December.



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