



## Bonsai Club of Santa Barbara

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TUESDAY, APRIL 10, 2012

Goleta Community Center, 5679 Hollister Avenue, Goleta

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

Program at 7:30 P.M.

### PROGRAM: LEROY KUBEL'S ANNUAL REVIEW OF LAST YEAR'S EVENTS



Charter member Leroy Kubel has been taking excellent photographs of our show trees for many years now. What started as an annual slideshow of 35mm Kodachrome slides has morphed into an audio-visual extravaganza featuring not only the past year's show, but other events as well. Leroy always has a delightful surprise or two up his sleeve, so be sure to come see what he has prepared this time. (Incidentally, Leroy's photos of our 2011 show have finally been posted to the club website. You can see them here: <http://www.santabarbarabonsai.org/shows/2011%20show/index.htm> .)

### LAST MONTH: MEL IKEDA ON PROCUMBENS 'NANA' NURSERY STOCK

Mel first learned about bonsai, including procumbens 'nana' junipers, in the bonsai nursery owned by his mother and father. They had a truly "mom and pop" business with no employees. Mel told us this while he was working on small-trunked nursery stock junipers that are typical of what is available today, when you can find them at all. He recommends potting them higher in their nursery containers so that the trunks can be seen and better growth can be more easily encouraged. At right you can see Mel with one of the trees he worked on, and which will be included in our next club raffle.



### CBS SHOW

Your cub reporter visited the California Bonsai Show show at the Huntington on March 24 for the first time in several years. It's always a great show that is well worth going out of your way to see.

Here's a picture of Ann Erb talking to a visitor about her Japanese maple:

And here's one of Ann hiding from the paparazzi. No, really, look closely - you can see her feet right there behind a smiling Mel Ikeda.

Here's one of my favorite trees. It's a shohin trident maple being used as the accessory plant in the display.



## TED MATSON AND THE GSBF PRESIDENT'S GOLD DIAMOND AWARD

Ted Matson is always a welcome instructor or presenter, and will be here at our Saturday class this month, but you may not know that he recently won the Golden State Bonsai Federation *President's Gold Diamond Award*. John Naka is the only other person to receive this award! The award was presented to him at the GSBF Convention last November for his continued dedication and service to the bonsai community.

## COMING EVENTS:

### APRIL 11-15 ANAHEIM, CALIFORNIA: CBS 55th CONVENTION AND SHOW:



California Bonsai Society Convention and Show starring "The Iron Men of Naka": Richard Ota, Frank Goya, Ben Oki, Harry Hirao, and Shig Miya, and featuring other well-known names. Workshops, demonstrations, auctions, drawings, a huge vendor area. Crown Plaza Anaheim Resort, 12021 Harbor Blvd., Garden Grove, CA 92840, 1-866-442-7375. \$99.00 per night. Booking code CBS. For registration information contact Elizabeth Partch at [elizabethpartch@yahoo.com](mailto:elizabethpartch@yahoo.com)

### APRIL 21: BONSAI CLUB OF SANTA BARBARA:

Saturday Workshop, Goleta Valley Community Center. Ted Matson, guest instructor. Last class of first semester.

### MAY 19-20: BONSAI CLUB OF SANTA BARBARA:

Our annual show and plant sale at the Santa Barbara Botanic Garden is coming up quickly. Tree entry forms and plant sale forms will be available by May 1. Please plan to show one or two trees. Go outside right now and select them if you haven't done so already. Show flyer can be seen here: <http://www.santabarbarabonsai.org/shows/2012%20show/poster.pdf>.

### JUNE 21-24: DENVER COLORADO: JOSHUA ROTH NEW TALENT CONTEST



Plans are well underway for the "Visions of the American West" convention sponsored by ABS/BCI to be held in Denver, CO from June 21-24. As part of this convention, the 11<sup>th</sup> Joshua Roth New Talent Contest will be held to encourage new bonsai artists from all around the country. Club members with fewer than 10 years experience are encouraged to enter this contest. Information about the contest is available online at <http://absbonsai.org/> or contact John Wiessinger at [natureetours@gmail.com](mailto:natureetours@gmail.com) Information about the general Denver convention is available at: <http://bonsai2012.org/>

### OCTOBER 24-28: SACRAMENTO: GSBF CONVENTION XXXV. CALIFORNIA DREAMING!



More info in months to come.

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