



Bonsai Club of Santa Barbara

P.O. Box 3703, Santa Barbara, CA 93130



FOURTEENTH ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARTY

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 13, 2008

at

Keith Mautino's house

2545 Golden Gate Avenue, Summerland, CA 93067

805-969-9816

Starting at 11:30 AM, Potluck Lunch at Noon

Raffle after Lunch

Keith Mautino has graciously agreed to host the party year. Please come, enjoy yourself, and plan to bid on and take home some great raffle stuff!

Keith lives in Summerland. The cross street is Olive Street, which connects to Lillie Avenue, the main thoroughfare in Summerland (on the mountain side and parallel to Highway 101). It is on the east (Carpinteria) side of town. Go up hill from Lillie on Olive Street, then make a RIGHT on Golden Gate Avenue. Keith's got a steep drive, so plan to park on the street. See you there!

Lunch is a potluck. Bring whatever you want to share, our party is truly a potluck.

Raffle after lunch. Bring something bonsai-related to donate if you can, and bring a little money to buy tickets. All proceeds benefit the club. Tools, pots, rocks, books, pre-bonsai, bonsai you just don't want to manage any more, etc. etc. are all welcome.

Late Breaking News! ~ Marco Invernizzi Workshop Dec 6!

(See Coming Events, next page)

PRESIDENT	Joe Olson	964-0869	PUBLICITY	Frank Artusio	963-3964
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CLASSES	Wally Kunimoto	967-2565	REFRESHMENTS	Rotating	

(Now Older) Web Site

Your editor noticed this announcement from the last Christmas Potluck flyer and thought he'd rerun it: Club President **Joe Olson** has worked hard and long to put up a web site for the club and it's very impressive! Please visit the site below:

www.santabarbarabonsai.org

It's got the newsletters, photos from past shows (The Gallery), a schedule of programs and classes, and contact information, all in a very pleasing and easy to navigate style. Joe deserves a great deal of praise for taking on this project and executing it superbly in a very short time frame. I've looked at a number of other club web sites and this is comparable to the best of them.

Be sure to let Joe know what you think of the site. Before Joe's effort, we weren't on the web (i.e. we didn't exist). Today, we're there in style.

Coming Events

Saturday December 6, 2008: *Marco Invernizzi* Workshops

Goleta Valley Community Center Room 1. Morning Workshop 9:00 AM to Noon. Afternoon Workshop 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM. Workshop fee is **\$50.00 per 3 hour session**. *As of publication, there is one afternoon workshop slot left.* Observers welcome for nominal **\$10.00 charge**.

Learn from one of the premier international bonsai artists! Marco has been a fixture of the European Bonsai Scene for a long time and has been touring the United states in recent years. We are fortunate this year to have gotten a slot in his busy schedule. Many thanks to Ann Erb for helping make this outstanding opportunity happen!

December 27 – January 2, 2009: California Aiseki Kai 19th Annual Exhibition of Viewing Stones, Friends Hall, Huntington Library, 1151 Oxford Road, San Marino, CA. Show hours 10:00 am to 4:30 pm daily except January 1st.

February 28 – March 1, 2009: GSBF Collection at the Huntington Bonsai-A-Thon XIII, Huntington Library, 1151 Oxford Road, San Marino, CA. Come early (7:30 am) for a pancake breakfast (nominal charge) and free admission to the Huntington Gardens. Demonstrations, auction, vendors, displays, and Huntington Garden tours each day at 10:00 am.



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Saturday Bonsai Workshops

We Are Indeed Lucky!!!!

The weather is excellent year round and bonsai hobbyists can create their own bonsai under the best teachers Southern California has to offer. We have teachers who were once students of John Naka, Khan Komai, Melba Tucker etc.

The teachers we have selected drive hundreds of miles (from as far away as Costa Mesa & Upland, Ca), for a modest fee because they love teaching bonsai in Santa Barbara.

Hundreds of bonsai hobbyists through out the US and the world attend workshops at annual conventions just to watch a demonstration and/or attend workshops taught by most of our selected teachers. Take advantage of this opportunity and learn from the best that Southern California has to offer.

Who are the Bonsai Teachers?

If you ever thought about going to a major bonsai convention, picked up a literature or read about bonsai conventions, the following names are familiar to most because they headed workshops, helped at the workshops or did the demonstration(s) : Roy Nagatoshi, Ted Matson, Jim Barrett, Mel Ikeda, Lindsay Shiba, & Kathy Benson.

Why Attend our Workshops?

Take advantage of this unique opportunity. You don't have to fly or drive to another city to attend a convention to attend a workshop taught by the teachers we selected. The teachers are coming here!

Styling a plant into a bonsai can be perplexing. The teachers years of experience, will help a great deal in the suggestions and guidance in turning it into a great bonsai.

Other students will be working on material recently purchased, some in training, and some just needing re-grooming an already beautiful well proportioned bonsai. Just seeing the trees others are working on will or may give you a tip on your selection of material and/or the styling of your bonsai in training.

Students range from beginners to perpetual students. Yes, several have been attending our workshops for at least 40 years. Yes, 40 years! So these "antique students" can also give you tips on what materials are good for bonsai in our area. That alone can save you years of heartache. Not all the beautiful bonsai from the various species depicted in bonsai magazines and books are good for our area.

Student to Teacher Ratio

To assure quality bonsai instruction, the workshops are limited to about eight students. The workshops are three hours long so you will get a lot of personal attention working on your tree.

Come and join us for an enjoyable Saturday Bonsai Workshop!!!!

2009 Workshop Schedule and Instructors

1st Semester			2009	2nd Semester		
MONTH	Day	Instructor		Month	Day	Instructor
January	17	Roy Nagatoshi		June	20	Lindsay Shiba
February	21	Kathy Benson		July	18	Mel Ikeda
March	21	Mel Ikeda		Aug	15	Pot luck luncheon/raffle
April	18	Ted Matson		Sept.	19	Ted Matson
May	16-17	Club Show		Oct.	17	Jim Barrett
				Nov.	21	Open Workshop(?)

Workshop Fee

Fee is \$100 for the four classes in each of the 1st & 2nd semesters (\$200 for full year).

Signing Up for Workshop

Please sign up and return the following to:

Theresa Steim
 Bonsai Club of Santa Barbara
 P. O. Box 3703
 Santa Barbara, CA 93130

 Name: _____ 1st Semester _____ 2nd Semester _____

Check Amount: _____ Check Number: _____

Make check payable to: Bonsai Club of Santa Barbara