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BONSAI CALENDAR

All meetings are held on the second Thursday, 7 pm, at Lions Field Adult Community Center, Broadway at Mulberry St., SA, TX. 78209

Bonsai 101 with Richard Hayes, 264-1965. The material is provided and the workshop is for **EVERYONE**, new members receive free material. It is held on the Sunday after the club meeting at 2 pm.

AT EVERY MEETING—Bring in your bonsai for continued support and helpful hints and direction.



OCTOBER 4,5,6: The Home Show volunteers needed!!



OCTOBER 10: SABS MEETING: Jay N & Bonsai Stand making.

HOSTS: Louis C & Irene V

October 22: The Native Plant Society meeting will feature Mary Irish, "Understanding the Roots: Botanical Latin." Mary is manager of the plant sales program at the San Antonio Botanical Garden. . Native plant and seed exchange at 6:30 pm, followed by speaker at 7:00 pm. Free and open to the public. www.npsot.org/sanantonio.

31st Oct-3 November 2013: Golden State Bonsai Federation, Annual Bonsai Show. 2500 north Hollywood Way, Burbank, ca, 91505 www.GSBF-bonsai.org

President's Message

By Kevin P

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I'm sitting here on a wonderful Saturday morning enjoying my second cup of coffee, and because of finally cool weather, open windows! Your president was sorry not to be able to attend Cheryl Manning's lecture -demo at last month's meeting but I heard everyone enjoyed themselves, especially Ryan. I was able to go the workshop Friday evening with a couple of trees. There were only 5 people at the workshop and the club paid Cheryl \$300 for the event. The 5 that showed up paid only \$25.00 to attend. Do the math, those that attended paid \$25.00 for a \$60.00 class, which means the club spent an additional \$35.00 to cover Cheryl's expenses. We really need to have more people attending the workshop to keep from having SABS covering the difference. The 5 that attended appreciated the discount though.

THIS WEEKEND!!!! The Home show is October 4, 5, 6 at the Alamodome. Hattie and I will be moving tables, etc. on Tuesday. I will pick up 6 parking passes for the main parking lot and will have them available Friday, Saturday or Sunday. This will allow exhibitors and helpers to park close to the entrance. Please call Hattie's cell at

, we can meet people just outside the parking lot to give them the pass and entry documents. We have to share parking and entry passes, **so please do not leave the Alamodome without giving the passes back!**

CLUB TREES!!! Anyone having club trees must get with Ryan, Kevin, Hattie, Donna or Paul before Friday, October 4th to get the trees to one of us so we will have something to sell.

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At October's meeting, we will have a general election for our new Board of Directors who will be holding that office 2014 and 2015. Thank you for volunteering your time to help keep SABS going for another 2 years. As president for the past 3 years and Treasurer for the preceding 5, I know that your time is valuable and to give it away is not easy, but it takes time and effort from people like you to help keep any organization going. This is true to Board members and those offering to help at shows, bringing refreshments and even coming early to a meeting and setting up tables and chairs and giving an extra few minutes after the meeting to help take everything down and clean up afterwards. (No there are not fairy godmother's who wave magic wands that make all this happen it **is you the volunteers!**)

After the meeting, the new Board will convene and will elect the Officer's for 2014, we will then announce who your Officers are at the November meeting. Enjoy the rain and cooler weather and **I'll see you at the Home Show!** (Now I have to go outside and get the greenhouse ready for cold weather

Kevin

October 18th–20th Bonsai Seminar, Buda, TX
Featuring International Bonsai Artist

Kathy Shaner

The topic of "**grafting**" will be featured. There are many types: Free Graft, Approach or in-arch graft, Inlay, Thread and others. Grafting techniques can shorten the time-frame and enhance the development of a bonsai. From "OK" to "OUTSTANDING"!

Also featured:

"Bring your Own Tree Workshop".

Registration begins in August please contact Collin M when registration opens: email

www.ckmurphy2000@gmail.com.

CURRENT MEMBERSHIP DUES FOR
THE SAN ANTONIO BONSAI
SOCIETY

\$30 individual
\$50 family
\$25 senior
\$40 senior family

October 2013

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		

Oct 4,5,6—Home Show
Oct 10—SABS meeting

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Program Corner

By Ryan O
Vice President

WOW... What a great demo/lecture we had in September with guest artist Cheryl Manning. Between the great turn-out, the active participation and questions asked, and the camaraderie, I don't think we could have asked for a better club meeting. And did you see the tree Cheryl worked on. One lucky club member sure got a nice tree to develop over the next few years!!!! Thank you to everyone who purchased raffle tickets for the demo tree. We reached a record-breaking amount of tickets purchased by exceeding \$250.

I also want to thank all of you for helping to represent SABS as an outstanding club. Cheryl recently said in an email, *"I had such a wonderful time in Texas... Your group was so receptive to suggestions. You are brave bonsai folk with a great attitude... I'd love to return to Texas again. I have so many fabulous friends now."*

As many of you know, the added bonus was Friday's workshop with Cheryl. Five members brought in trees of various stages of training and development. Each member received one-on-one attention and guidance from Cheryl. Cheryl even made a few of us make huge, bonsai altering cutting decisions that quickly changed the look and feel of a tree. We had one tree that went from "just a regular bonsai" to one that will become an "outstanding" bonsai in a few years.

October's club meeting includes the much-anticipated making and finishing of a bonsai stand with Jay N . Jay will walk us through completing our kit (as shown in the September meeting) including attaching the legs and the various ways to finish the stand through staining, painting, or keeping it natural. In order to not "gas-out" the whole community center, Jay will show us the techniques we all can use at home to complete the stand. Chris L will collect the small fee of \$15 to cover the cost of materials prior to the meeting.

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The demo tree in its new home

I would like to mention that Jay has lost a few stands from the April's Convention.

Could each of you take a moment to double check you have not mistakenly taken a stand? Jay's name is printed on the underside of each stand. Thank you.

Thursday October 10th Food/Beverage Hosts are Irene V and Louie C . Please thank them throughout the meeting for their yummys.

Also in October, is our display at the **San Antonio Home and Garden Show**. The schedule of events for the show are:

Friday October 4th: Set-up from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm and the show hours are from 2:00 pm to 8:00 pm

Saturday October 5th: Show hours are from 10:00 am to 8:00 pm

Sunday October 6th: Show hours from 11:00 am to 6:00 pm and take-down/clean-up from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm.

As always, please remember to bring in items to help support the raffle and the club.



Cheryl Manning, LSBF Artist for 2013



Hmmmm....It seems the tree is putting up a little resistance



Photos by David W



A finished demo with the future for the Shimpaku as a Windswept style—Brava Chery!!! Oh, and congrats to Ryan the winner! Anyone know where Ryan lives?

Kathy Shaner Seminar October 18th 20th, 2013

Please join us in a seminar with one of the most exciting, knowledgeable and personable bonsai masters—

Kathy Shaner

Kathy completed a full five year apprenticeship in Japan under bonsai master *Yasuo Mitsuya* and is the first non Japanese and first woman ever certified by the *Nippon Bonsai Association*. She is the curator of the *GSBF Bonsai Garden* at Lake Merritt in California and advisor to *The Texas State Bonsai Exhibit, Inc.* Kathy is a fantastic teacher with the ability to make you part of everything, not just a note taker. Her seminars increase bonsai knowledge, raise skill levels and make the wonderful world of bonsai even more enjoyable. Kathy's seminars are ideal for beginning and veteran bonsaiists alike and are informal from beginning to end.

Friday workshop

will be an all day grafting workshop on October 18th, led by Kathy. The grafting workshop is available on a first come basis and is limited to eight participants. During the grafting workshop, Kathy will discuss common grafting techniques, and how those techniques should be applied to participants' trees. Depending on the type of graft and type of tree, some grafts may be performed during the workshop. Grafting techniques will also be demonstrated and practiced on scrap material. *Observation of the grafting workshop is not available.*

Instead of a single theme for the Seminar, Kathy will cover several different topics:

Pot Repair, Wiring Difficult Trees into Pots, Soils, Branch Wiring

There will be something for everyone in this year's seminar, and everyone will learn something new. The pot repair and wiring of difficult trees into pots demonstrations will use material selected prior to the seminar. For the soil discussion, participants can bring in soils they use (ok if purchased as a premixed bonsai soil) and also individual soil components if they mix their own soils. For the wiring portion, participants are asked to bring in a tree they have previously wired for Kathy to discuss. The tree does not have to be completely wired and can be in any stage of development. More details will be provided in the registration confirmation. ***The seminar will be in the conference center at Cabela's, the outfitter emporium, 15570 S. IH35 in Buda, Texas just south of Austin's City limits.*** Directions will be in your registration acknowledgment. This is the same location as the previous four years.

Kathy's optional Sunday afternoon workshop

Is limited to six participants on a first come basis. Work on any size material you like...styled or rough. Kathy asks participants in a prior workshop to bring a tree she has worked on to continue its development. Silent observation is included in registration.

The Schedule

Friday: The optional grafting workshop begins at 9:00 am at *Persimmon Hill Bonsai*. The workshop lasts until 4:00 pm and lunch is on your own. More details will be provided to registrants. *Persimmon Hill* then opens at 5:00 p.m. for refreshments and nibbles. About 6:30 p.m. we'll leave for a no-host dinner in the private dining room of a Japanese restaurant. Check the appropriate box on the Registration Form if you plan to join the Friday dinner group.

Saturday: The seminar begins promptly at 9:30 a.m. in *Cabela's Conference Center* and goes to 5:00 p.m. Saturday's casual supper, included in the registration fee, is at *Persimmon Hill*. We'll begin at 6:30 p.m. and have some visiting time. If you would like to bring a non-registrant guest to the supper, please sign them up on the Registration Form. A vegetarian supper will be available only if requested in advance. Please check the appropriate Registration Form box.

Sunday: Kathy will get underway promptly at 9:15 a.m. We'll wrap up about noon. Kathy's optional Sunday afternoon workshop, from 1:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. at *Persimmon Hill Bonsai*. Any size or kind of tree may be worked on. Seminar registration includes observing Kathy's Sunday workshop.

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Workshop & Cancellation Policies

Registration for both workshops is on a first come basis. Participants can attend either, one or both workshops. There is a maximum of two trees per person for the Sunday afternoon workshop. Workshop status will be the acknowledgment. There will be a standby list. **Cancellations received on or before Friday, October 4th, 2013** will receive a complete refund. No refund on cancellations after October 4th except for the optional workshop fees if on the stand by list.

Important General Information

Registration includes seminar, Friday social, Saturday supper (*limited to first 28 registrants*), and observing the Sunday workshop. Seminar and workshop registrations are accepted only on receipt of the Registration Form and payment. Working with bonsai tools is a hazardous activity. **To participate in the seminar, workshop or observe a release from liability agreement must be signed.** Complete seminar details, driving directions, local hotel accommodations and what to bring will be in your registration acknowledgment.

Register early space is limited. Questions? Contact Collin M at ckmurphy2000@gmail.com (512) 9059364.

I hope you will be a part of the 18th annual seminar. It's a wonderful opportunity to have a fantastic bonsai weekend.

Sincerely, Collin M

SEMINAR REGISTRATION FORM

Name:2nd name:.....

Address:

City: State Zip

Telephone: Email:

Grafting Workshop: each at \$100.00 per person Total \$ _____
(Bring your own SHARP grafting knife and material)

Seminar: each at \$120.00 per person Total \$ _____
(Includes seminar, Friday social, Saturday supper & observing Sunday's workshop)

BYOT (bring your own tree) Workshop: each at \$60.00 per person Total \$ _____
(BYOT, maximum of two, tools, wire and turntable. Must be registered for the seminar.)

I will bring guests to the Saturday supper at an additional \$10.00 per person... Total \$ _____

I/We will attend the Friday no host Japanese dinner. (No. of people)

I/We prefer a vegetarian Saturday supper. (No. of people)

Grand Total Enclosed \$ _____

Please make your check, sorry no credit cards, payable to Collin M and mail to:
Collin Murphy, 14601 Montoro Dr., Austin TX 78728



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