

November Tips:

All bonsai should be dormant by now, but if the weather or storage temperature has been too warm they may not be, and care must be taken to prevent a second growth.

Location: Guard against cold winds and frost.

Even some warm days.

Watering: Less water this month, but do not let trees dry out even during dormancy. Trees are very sensitive even if they are dormant.

Fertilizing: No fertilizing this month.

Pruning: Remove any leaves remaining on deciduous trees. Be sure all fruit and seed pods are off too. This is a good month to remove all tip burned needles on pines, and any unsightly or extra long second year needles. This is also the time for the second trimming on black pines.

Transplanting: Do not attempt any this month. It's a good time to collect native materials.

Wiring: Most branches will be too brittle to wire and bend this month.

Bonsai Techniques I
by John Naka



MONTEREY BONSAI CLUB

OCTOBER, 2011

November 1st Meeting

Last meeting some members volunteered to work on trees to be raffled off at our next Exhibition in June to help our Show generate more red ticket sales. They will bring these trees to the November meeting to work on them and select a pot from those the Club purchased for this purpose.

Tom Lawson and Ardelle Gilbert will also donate trees for the Club to sell at the meeting. Tom's come from his private collection and Ardelle's come from those donated by Oshiro's Nursery.

Bring cash so you can participate in the silent auction for these trees and any remaining pots.

We will also hold an election of the Club president. Interested parties are urged to volunteer at the meeting.

Our last New Year's party was such a huge success for everyone involved that we will discuss plans for the annual party to be held in 2012. Volunteers are needed for the various jobs to assist in putting on this pot-luck event. Come prepared to let us know what food dishes you will provide.

Domo Arigato

Thanks to Jack Beigle and April Harrison who brought refreshments to the last meeting. Rhonda Raggianti and Mike Nelson will bring refreshments to the next meeting.

Please sign up at the next meeting to bring refreshments for the meetings in the new year.

Don't forget to visit our Club Library at the next meeting to learn more about bonsai..

Coming Events

October 27, 28, 29, 30 Riverside GOLDEN STATE BONSAI FEDERATION CONVENTION XXXIV, Bonsai Full Circle at the Marriott Hotel & Convention Center, 3400 Market Street. Headliners are: Kathy Shaner, Ryan Neil, Roy Nagatoshi and Pedro Morales. Demonstrations, seminars, critiques, workshops, benefit drawings, vendors and more. More information forthcoming.

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October Meeting Notes

At our October meeting we discussed the GSBF elections that will be held at the upcoming Convention. Let's all congratulate Gareth Shepherd who will be elected as the next GSBF president and the first one from our Club. We also discussed our donation to the Convention benefit drawing and sent a check for the committee to purchase a gift from vendors in our name.

We also sent a check to the Lake Merritt Curator Fund to provide Kathy Shaner with a salary at some point.

Maggie Bruebaker brought some trees that were donated by Oshiro's Nursery. Senior members of the Club took these trees and will turn them into bonsai and bring them back for us to review at our next meeting.

We discussed the upcoming Kazari Display Competition at the Clark Center in Hanford scheduled for Saturday, November 5th from 10 - 5. Atsuko Kinoshita and Joe Byrd will be competing. Members are requested to attend and the Club will provide money for gas for all those who carpool and will purchase a ticket for members to Kathy Shaner's demonstration.

In addition, members can participate in the bonsai and antique sales fair as well as the wine and cheese reception. Last year was fun and this year's celebration should be too.

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**November 3 Hanford,
The Clark Center for Japanese Art
and Culture Annual Kazari Bonsai
Display Competition 2011** at 15770
Tenth Avenue, featuring lectures, a
workshop, and a Bonsai and Antique
Fair with art and food vendors, sale of
bonsai and plants, and an after hours
reception. Hours are 10AM-5PM. Prize
money for the best judged Tokoname
displays will be \$2500, \$1000, \$500 in
the honor of the contributions of Japa-
nese-American citizens. General ad-
mission: \$5.

To reserve tickets for the lec-
ture by Kathy Shaner, Curator of the
GSBF Bonsai Garden at Lake Merritt,
the Beginner Workshop or the Wine
and Cheese Reception contact us at
info@ccjac.org. For details about partici-
pating in the competition contact the
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