

The Bergen Bonsai Society

NOV 2012 Newsletter

Meeting: Sun Nov. 18th

Time: 9:45 AM—1 PM

Place: Closter Nature Center

154 Ruchman Rd., Closter, NJ



WINTERING REVIEW ANNUAL SHOW & CRITIQUE

The Bergen Bonsai Society

Incorporated

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Year 2012 Programs

Mark Your Calendar

	<u>DATE</u>	<u>EVENT AND/OR GUEST ARTIST</u>	<u>AM</u> <u>MTG</u>	<u>AFT</u> <u>MTG</u>	<u>EVE</u> <u>MTG</u>	<u>AWAY</u> <u>MTG</u>
	January 15	<u>DEAN GILLILAND –PRESENTATION on KOREA</u>	<u>X</u>			
	February 19	<u>ELECTION OF BBS BOARD — POT SALE; SLIDE SHOW</u>	<u>X</u>			
	March 18	<u>OPEN WORKSHOP —BYOB / MATERIAL SUPPLIED</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>		
	April 29	<u>MID-ATLANTIC ARTIST — John Thompson — L/D & Workshop</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>		
	April 20 - 22	<u>MID-ATLANTIC SPRING FESTIVAL</u>				<u>X</u>
	May 20	<u>OPEN WORKSHOP — BYOB /MATERIAL SUPPLIED</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>		
*	June SAT 16	<u>MARTY SCHMALENBERG — DEVELOPING YOUR BONSAI</u> <u>EYE AT MARTY'S STUDIO STILLWATER NJ</u>	X	<u>X</u>		<u>X</u>
	July 15	<u>MARTY SCHMALENBERG — PART 2 / WORKSHOP</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>		
*	August SAT 18	<u>ANNUAL BONSAI SHOW — McFaul Environmental Center Wy-</u> <u>ckoff, NJ (1pm-5pm)</u>		<u>X</u>		<u>X</u>
	September 16	<u>ANNUAL PICNIC AND AUCTION</u>		<u>X</u>		
	October 14	<u>GUEST ARTIST —David Easterbrook —AM L/D & PM workshop</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>		
	November 18	<u>WINTERING REVIEW AND ANNUAL SHOW AND CRITIQUE</u>	<u>X</u>			
	December 9	<u>HOLIDAY PARTY</u>		<u>X</u>		<u>X</u>

* Indicates a change in date, event or time, since previous Newsletter

NOTES

1. All meetings @ Closter Nature Center are on Sundays
2. All morning meetings @ Closter Nature Center start 9:45 AM to APROX. 1:30 PM
3. All afternoon meetings @ Closter Nature Center start APX. 2 PM to APROX. 5 PM

LAST MONTH'S MEETING — OCTOBER 14th —GUEST ARTIST —DAVID EASTERBROOK —AM L/D & PM WORKSHOP

Who would expect to see a camellia bonsai?? David Easterbrook had brought about 10 of them for the workshop and demo. personnel. But to get things going at our last Sunday morning meeting, David did a slide presentation of flowering plants that could be made into bonsai. The number and variety was surprising. We all tend to ignore flowering material in favor of the standard evergreen and deciduous trees. But David opened our eyes to a whole new avenue of Bonsai.

The second half of the morning presentation was the conversion of one on the 10 trees into a lovely semi-cascade bonsai. The tree that David used had been taken from a cutting about 6 years earlier and was ready for its first major styling. After the demo the tree was raffled off to one very excited member.

These trees need to be exposed to cold weather but not frost so a cold garage or a cold frame designed to keep out frost is needed to get them over the winter.



The session ended with an afternoon workshop. The 8 participants were lucky enough to use the same quality material that David had styled in his demo in the morning. The styles ranged from cascade (semi and full) to slanting, windblown and informal uprights. It was a fast paced afternoon where everyone couldn't wait to start working on their trees.

Take a look at our website (bergenbonsai.com) 2012 photo gallery to see some of the results. As usual we ended our day with a trip to the Chinese Buffet on route 17.



THIS MEETING —NOV 18th —WINTERING REVIEW AND ANNUAL SHOW AND CRITIQUE

Our annual show is fast approaching, and we would like to see everyone participate. After all we are a bonsai club and this is the time for us to shine. Whether you're just a beginner or one of our more experienced bonsai artists this is the time to show everyone what you've got. So start now on selecting a tree and begin getting it ready to display.

Support your club and bring in a tree to display. There will be no harsh critique, only a few observations made from some of our members on what they like about your tree and what you might do to improve it. This helps everyone learn, by seeing other member's trees and getting some ideas on how to improve their own efforts.

BBS also needs to start thinking now about participating in Mid-Atlantic's spring festival and this is a perfect way for us to get started. So bring your tree(s) for consideration to be shown at MABS

NEXT MEETING — DEC 9TH — HOLIDAY PARTY

Another year is drawing down and we (& most of our trees) have survived and prospered. Time to celebrate it all, as we gather together for our traditional Holiday Luncheon Party. This year we will try a different cuisine at **Bensi Hillsdale 387 Washington Ave . Hillsdale, NJ 07642**

The price will be **Adult \$25 ; child 12 and under is \$10.**

Enclosed is my check payable to Bergen Bonsai. Society. You may bring your check to the next meeting,
OR Mail your reservation to **Bob Pruski President**
16 Hamilton St.
Montvale, NJ 07645

2012 Holiday Party Reservation Form

Yes, I will surely join the **Holiday Festivities Dec 9th. 2012 !!** Check payable to **Bergen Bonsai Society**

Date form Submitted _____ Name: _____

Number of Attendees _____ @ \$ 25 each Number of child _____ @ \$10 each

BONSAI CARE FROM YAMA KI BONSAI SOCIETY — MONTH —NOVEMEBER

Hardy Plants — Evergreen (Needle and Broad Leaf); Deciduous ; Flowering & Fruit Bearing — Needs to remove them from summer location; remove berries and fruits from Pyracatha, Cotoneaster and Quince before putting in cold frame to avoid fungus and rodent damage and to conserve plant energy. Pests & Diseases— Yes, spray as required; Watering — as required in AM.

Transitional — Tropical & Sub-Tropical— require to move Indoor or greenhouse. Continue to fertilizing; Pesticide; watering; weeding as required.

BBS WEBSITE

Go to **www.bergenbonsai.com** & you can view our newsletters, pictures from our latest meetings, the Mid-Atlantic Convention, our **extensive library** & much more. Continued thanks to Bob Pruski.

LIBRARY

As usual, the **complete** library inventory is posted on our website (**BergenBonsai.com**). Find what you want, contact our librarians (for videos — David; hard cover books — Rose; Bonsai Today/ Focus —Diann, and Int'l Bonsai, BCL Misc — John), and they will bring it to the next meeting. This is a tremendous asset and one of the best ways to learn more about bonsai in general. The library is a treasure trove of information just waiting to answer all of your questions and some that you haven't even thought about yet. Use these winter months to get answers to the questions that you have about your trees in time for the growing season.

Our library has a new addition, Man Lung Penjing by Wu Yee Sun from Hong Kong. Family of Yee-sun Wu donated many of his collection to US. It has become a part of the National Bonsai and Penjing Museum in Washington DC with the Wu family making a generous donation towards building the Yee-sun Wu Chinese Garden Pavilion

In addition, Yee Sun Wu has presented many of his creations to other institutions including the Seventh University of Paris (France), Montreal Botanical Garden (Canada), the Sun Yat Sen Park in Vancouver (Canada), the Botanical Park of the Nanjing Institute of the Chinese Academy of Science, the Hong Kong Baptist College, and the Former Governor House of the Hong Kong Government. All of these penjing exhibitions are open to the public. .

Feel free to take out the book from our library, if you are interested please email Rose at rchan0121@yahoo.com or call 917-517-9076. She will bring it to the next meeting.

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