

The Bergen Bonsai Society

APR2014 Newsletter

Meeting: **2014 SPRING FESTIVAL**

Time: APRIL 25 -27

Place: 130 Route 10 West
East Hanover, NJ



MidAtlantic Spring Festival 2014

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Year 2014 Programs Mark Your Calendar

	<u>DATE</u>	<u>EVENT AND/OR GUEST ARTIST</u>	<u>AM MTG</u>	<u>AFT MTG</u>	<u>EVE MTG</u>	<u>AWAY MTG</u>
	January 19	<u>POT SALE /SWAP MEET</u>	<u>X</u>			
	February 16	<u>GUEST ARTIST — MIKE POLLOCK — NEIGORHOOD ARTIST</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>		
	March 16	<u>PREP/SELECT TREES FOR MID ATLANTIC—REPOTTING</u>	<u>X</u>			
	April 25,26,27	<u>MID-ATLANTIC SPRING FESTIVAL</u>				<u>X</u>
*	May 3	<u>GUEST ARTIST- OWEN REICHI—LECT—OPEN WORKSHOP</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>		
	May 18	<u>OPEN WORKSHOP—MATERIAL SUPPLIED (SEE PETER)</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>		
	June 22	<u>TRIP TO BROOKLYN BOTANICAL GARDEN</u>				<u>X</u>
	July 20	<u>OPEN WORKSHOP</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>		
	August 17	<u>ANNUAL SHOW AND CRITIQUE WITH BRUNCH CATERED!!</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>		
	September 14	<u>PICNIC AND AUCTION</u>		<u>X</u>		
	October 11	<u>GUEST ARTIST —David Easterbrook —OPEN workshop --DINNER</u>		<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>	
	October 12	<u>David Easterbrook— L/D PRIVET—Workshop Material Supplied</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>		
	November 16	<u>OPEN WORKSHOP</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>		
	December 7	<u>HOLIDAY PARTY</u>		<u>X</u>		<u>X</u>

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

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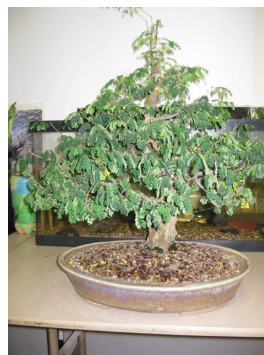
1. All meetings @ Closter Nature Center are on Sundays
2. All morning meetings @ Closter Nature Center start 9:45 AM to APROX. 12:30 PM
3. All afternoon meetings @ Closter Nature Center start APX. Noon to APROX. 4 PM

LAST MEETING —MARCH 16th — PREP/SELECT TREES FOR MID ATLANTIC

Due to our terrible northeast weather, our February meeting had to be cancelled. However, much was accomplished at our March meeting.

To start with, we learned that Suthin will not be able to be the guest artist at our May 3rd meeting. He cancelled his visit because of personal business. In his place, we will have artist Owen Reich.

Trees were selected by the members for our club exhibit at MABS in April. Hank is submitting a larch; Mike will be displaying a Japanese Holly; John P will have a Juniper; and Peter will be sending his rain tree.



Diann reviewed how we will proceed with our exhibit that we will setting up at Branch Brook Park in Newark during the cherry blossom festival on April 13th. We will have a tent just for BBS. Brochures will be printed and handed out in a limited number to those visitors who express significant interest (about 50 cents each). Don will investigate having business cards printed to be given to the general public. They are relatively inexpensive.

We held our biannual election for members of the Board of BBS. The Board will meet and select officers, on March 27th, in accordance with the by-laws.

See you all at MABS

APRIL 13th — BLOOMFEST EVENT

It was a beautiful sunny warm day at Branch Brook Park for the Bloomfest-Event to display our club's Bonsai's. We had a tent and four tables to display our Bonsai Banners and Bonsai's. Our members; Lenny, Mitch Don, John & Diann, David & his wife Diane and Renita brought enthusiasm along with tropical and outdoor trees. It was non-stop day from 9:30am to 5:00pm., Attendee's were taking pictures and asking plenty of questions. We had a few people with interest in our club so we will see if we get any new members.

Diann reporting



THIS MEETING —APIRL 25th to 27th —MID-ATLANTIC SPRING FESTIVAL

Time has come, as you all have asked for. This year MidAtlantic Spring Festival has moved up to East Hanover, NJ which is 45 minutes driving from our club. We are expecting a large turn outs. And there is no excuse for our club members not to attend. It is a great event. There will be Lectures/Demonstrations by the famous bonsai artists like Mr. Suthin Sukosolvisit, Mr. Corin Tomlinson and Mr. Takashi Iura, Workshops, exhibit trees from 11 local bonsai club members. Also vendors where you buy all your year round supplies and pre-bonsai, bonsai and etc....

Hope to see you all.

NEXT MEETING —MAY 3rd — GUEST ARTIST — OWEN REICHI —LECT/DEMO



Owen Reich is a Georgia-native and Tennessee resident who has been an apprentice at Fujikawa Kouka-en nursery in Ikeda City, Japan from 2010-2012. He received a degree in ornamental horticulture from the University of Georgia, helped establish one of the largest nurseries in the Southeastern US (Samara Farms), and is the founder of Bonsai Unearthed Nursery (Nashville, TN) and blog site. From early 2013, Owen has been teaching in the US but will be returning to the Fujikawa Bonsai School regularly to continue working with his sensei, Keiichi Fujikawa, and with students. For more information about Owen, please visit

(www.bonsaiunearthed.com). Also, be sure to check out Owen

in the 34 videos on YouTube titled “The Bonsai Art of JAPAN” that were filmed and produced by Owen and Bjorn Bjorholm of Bjorvala Bonsai Studio.

Click here – ([youtube – Owen and Bjorn](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OwenandBjorn)).

While early in his career, the following comment by Owen reinforces his knowledge, understanding and appreciation of Bonsai: **“Bonsai is the only thing I’ve found that you cannot fully master every aspect of in one, let alone many lifetimes.”**



From Bonsai Society of Florida

Meeting will start 9:45 am sharp. In the morning will be lecture/demonstration, afternoon will be workshop. For those who want to participate in the afternoon workshop, please register with Mitchell 973-767-2977. There will be \$50.00 workshop fee where you can bring in your pre-bonsai to have Owen Reichi to work help you. If you should need materials please contact Pete 201-248-2369. No charge for silent observers. Seats are limited.

2nd MEETING ON MAY 18th — OPEN WORKSHOP AM/PM

Open workshop for everyone **FREE!!** Where we have everyone helping each other. Just bring in your pre-bonsai; bonsai or whatever. We are going to have a good time.

Again if you need materials, please contact Pete 201-248-2369 or email sobelmach@hotmail.com

GOOD AND WELFARE



A bit of a sad news, David Adler, husband of Agnes Adler has passed away recently. He was a great sculpture artist. His works were exhibited in many local libraries and museums. He will be remembered.

From Walter Pall website
Sunday March 20, 2014

Horst Krekeler R.I.P

In the 1980ies to 90ies Horst stood for bonsai in Germany. The bonsai scene in Germany definitely would not be the same without him. Horst was an excellent teacher and had thousands of students over the years. He acted internationally, being in the USA often in the 90ies and to many other places in the world. Horst was quite a character, a very nice and gentle man. We will not forget him.



BONSAI CARE FROM YAMA KI BONSAI SOCIETY — MONTH —APRIL

For Hardy Plants—They should all be in the protected location. Cold frame or pit closed tightly, after enough water, insecticide, and fungicide have been applied.

For Tropical and Sub – Tropical

- 1.) Fertilizing — No to Hardy ; Yes to Tropical
- 2.) Location— Prepare winter location ; Bring Tropical indoors .
- 3.) Pests & Diseases — Dormant spray for Hardy; Spray as required for Tropical.
- 4.) Potting — Tropical Only.
- 5.) Pruning — Hardy no drastic pruning; Tropical as required.
- 6.) Watering — Check outdoor plants and cold frame; Extra water and humidity for Tropical

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.

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