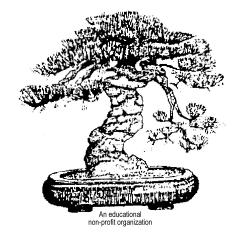
The Bergen Bonsai Society

FEB 2020 Newsletter

Meeting: Sun. 02/16 9:45AM

Place: TEANECK GREENHOUSE 296 LINDBERGH BLVD. TEANECK, NJ



POT SALE
CLUB SOIL, FERTILIZER
ORDERS

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Year 2020 Programs Mark Your Calendar

<u>DATE</u>	EVENT AND/OR GUEST ARTIST	AM MTG	AFT MTG	EVE MT G	AWAY MTG
January 19	TEANECK GREENHOUSE-WORKSHOP	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>		
February 16	TEANECK GREENHOUSE— POT SALE; SOIL SALE	<u>X</u>			
March 15	TEANECK – ARTIST BOB MAHLAR WORHSHOP	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>		
April 17,18,19	MID-ATLANTIC SPRING FESTIVAL IN GRANTVILLE PA	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>		<u>X</u>
May 17	TEANECK— POSSIBLE ARTIST—SERGIO CUAN	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>		
June 21	TEANECK —ARTIST ANDREW ROBINSON	X	<u>X</u>		
July 19	TEANECK — TROCIPAL REPOTTING WORKSHOP	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>		
August 16	PICNIC LOCATION — LOCATION UNDECIDED	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>		<u>X</u>
September 11, 12	ROCHESTER NY — NATIONAL BONSAI FESTIVAL	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>		<u>X</u>
September 20	TEANECK— NO PROGRAM PLANNED	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>		
Sept/Oct	FALL FESTIVAL — VAN SAUN PARK	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>		
October 9,10,11	WASHINGTON DC — ABS WORKSHOPS	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>		<u>X</u>
October 18	TEANECK — POSSIBLE ARTIST— EASTERBROOK	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>		<u>X</u>
November 15	TEANECK — BERGEN BONSAI SHOW & BYO WORKSHOP	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>		
December	HOLIDAY LUNCHEON — LOCATION UNDECIDED		<u>X</u>		

^{*} Indicates a change in date, event or time, since previous Newsletter NOTES

<u>LAST MEETING</u>—JAN 19th. TEANECK GREENHOUSE — WORK-SHOP

About 12 of us attended. I can't remember everything that was discussed but it had to do with plans for the year ahead. In addition some of use made preliminary bends on about 20 small pre-bonsai which hopefully will be sold for fundraising at the Bergen fall festival at the end of the summer.









<u>THIS MEETING —Feb 16th. TEANECK GREENHOUSE — POT SALE SOIL, FERTILIZER SALE</u>

A number of members have pre ordered Peter's

fertilizer mix and/or soil, both of which will be distributed at the meeting. The fertilizer will be sold @ \$4/pound in pre weighed bags along with heat seal able tea bags. However, Rose informed the group that tea bags with a foldable flap were easily available and needn't be heat sealed. The soil mix of pumice, black lava and acadama is being purchased in 14 to 18 Liter separate bags, and after shifting the material will manually mixed and measured out. It will sell at \$11 / gallon and virtually none will available if it was not pre ordered.

In addition many of the club's pots will be available for purchase at very reasonable prices and we will also be taking orders for copper wire. Please also feel free to bring anything even remotely related to bonsai for sale or swapping.

<u>NEXT MEETING — MARCH 15TH —TEANECK GREEN-</u> HOUSE—BONSAI ARTIST BOBY MALHER-WORKSHOP

Boby Malher will be our first visiting artist of the year. Mid March will be a great time for re potting everything except tropicals so bring soil, wire, pots and tools for help. Boby will also be evaluating trees and suggesting improvements in design, so bring in any tree at any stage of development for \$20 per participant. Also pick up all sorts of tips from this very knowledge artist if you have no trees.

No one indicated that they were interested in joining the Bergen Bonsai Board of Directors, our governing body. Thus, the former Board members will remain for another two-year term.

Please pay your 2020 dues of \$50 to Ralf. We need the money.

This year, besides our regular local program there are three regional and national events.

- (1) MABS next year in April will be memorable and will feature artists Bjorn Bjorholm (with a name like that he's got to be good), Suthin and Kathy Shaner. Registration forms are in our Bergen newsletter.
- (2) On September 11-12 The National exhibition in Rochester is a possible club trip either by car, rented van or charted bus depending on our numbers.
- (3) Oct 8-11, the ABS/BCI convention will sponsor the Global Bonsai Seminars at the US National Arboretum in D.C. we may also be organizing trips to local bonsai nurseries if members are interested.

See attached MABS 2020 registration form and Global Bonsai Seminars 2020 registration form

GOOD AND WELFARE

No News is Good News

BBS WEBSITE

Go to <u>www.bergenbonsai.com</u> & you can view our newsletters, pictures from our latest meetings, the Mid-Atlantic Convention, our <u>extensive library</u> & much more.

SOCIAL MEDIA

We are on social media Facebook and Twitter, you can see what is going on with Bergen Bonsai and the Bonsai world. Thanks to Will Farro for setting it up. Bergen Bonsai News, if anyone would like to share some bonsai news, please feel free to drop us an email. We will publish it if it is appropriate.

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LIBRARY

As usual, the <u>complete</u> library inventory is posted on our website (**BergenBonsai.com**). Find what you want, contact our librarians (for videos; hard cover books — Ralf; Bonsai Today/ Focus and Int'l Bonsai, BCL Misc — Peter), 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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