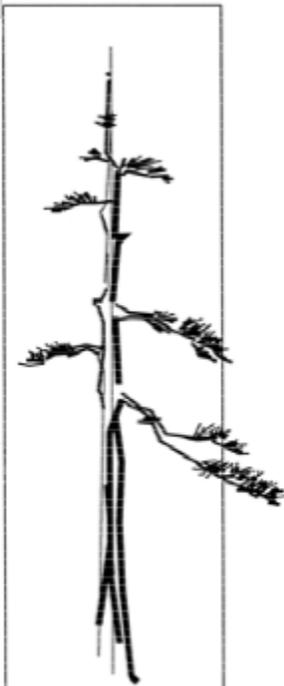


BONSAI NEWS

June 2021



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Upcoming meeting

The June meeting presentation will feature a lecture on the care and management of azaleas by Rick Garcia. Mr. Garcia is a student of Nakayama-san, of Japan and has studied with him for more than 20 years. He also is the owner of North American Satsuki Bonsai Center.

Satsuki azaleas generally bloom between the middle of May and the middle of June. Azaleas also have distinctly different growth patterns from most of the trees grown as bonsai. The roots on most trees try to descend to the bottom of the pot whereas the fine feeder roots of azaleas are close to the surface. Get ready to learn more!!

June

- June 1 — ZOOM meeting
Rick Garcia-Azaleas
- June 12—Beginner Class
Lynden Sculpture Gardens
- June 26—2pm Jennifer Price
Boerner Beer Garden
(Masks Required)

August

- Aug 5-15 WI State Fair
- Aug 27-29 Annual Exhibit
Lynden Sculpture Gardens

Next Meeting

**June 1, 2021
ZOOM
6:30pm**



A message from the president

I want to thank all who helped with the teaching bonsai to 60 6th grade kids at At-water school. We all had fun!

Photos: <https://photos.app.goo.gl/Yh3hGTSGBCfVgeWZ8>

And a thank you from the kids: <https://photos.app.goo.gl/3Sdis6UXvGweAcb29>

~Bryan L

<p>Ancient Arts Bonsai Bonsai Supplier Established in 2005</p>	<p>Tools, Wire – Aluminum & Copper, Pots, Fertilizers Soils – Akadama, Lava, Pumice, Kanuma, Blends Trees – Tropical, Deciduous, Conifers, Evergreens Services – Lessons, Consults, Repotting, Wiring, Boarding</p>
<p>Bonsai a Growing Hobby Wisconsin's Leading Full Line Bonsai Supplier</p>	<p>See our updated Website: aabonsai.com Email – aabonsai@charter.net Phone – 262-490-8733</p>

Don't forget!

We are now having Monthly Meetings on Zoom.

Please download Zoom through this link: <https://zoom.us/download> to your computer. You will get a link to the meeting sent to you in an email closer to the meeting date. The main thing that you will have to do when you get on Zoom is to turn on your camera (Video) button.

Questions will be typed into the chat box and Bryan will ask them of the speaker. This helps to keep things under control.

Link to May meeting:

Topic: Milwaukee Bonsai June Zoom Meeting
Time: Jun 1, 2021 06:00 PM Central Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82032123974?pwd=NWQ0eUJ0WldrSm5xNW5rT0NhCW5HUT09>

Meeting ID: 820 3212 3974

Passcode: 110255

I will open up the Zoom link at 6pm The meeting will start at 6:30

The recent activity at Lynden



Member Kyle
pictured

WISCO BONSAI GRAND OPENING & BONSAI SOCIAL EVENT

JUNE 19, 2021 NOON – 6PM
N68W23890 DONNA DRIVE SUSSEX WI
414-248-3827 WiscoBonsai@gmail.com

Come on over to check out the Grand Opening of the fully stocked Wisco Bonsai shop and relax for the day, or part of the day ! Bring a tree to show off ! Reconnect with friends or meet some of the new young folks that are coming to this art form !

If you would like to bring a tree to show, shoot me an email and we will arrange a stand for it (don't be shy ! We would love to see it). If you need advice on a tree, bring it !

There will be snacks and refreshments served, but if you have a tipples of choice, feel free to bring it (please leave large coolers in your car though).

Music provided by locally renowned "DJ RIC VESPA" who will be spinning Jamaican & International RockSteady classics from the 60's through the present.

Yes, this is a Bonsai shop opening, but we have all been locked down for a long time and it is time to have some social fun, so save the date and come on over !

This quick tutorial on how to repot a bonsai was used to show volunteers for the Atwater school 6th grade project how to repot the portulacaria the kids had. This refresher may be helpful to you.

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Hello everyone! I am excited to announce that State Fair will be happening this year and you know what that means.....EXHIBIT TIME! Yea! Woo hoo! Awesome! Etc. And you know what that means right? Well, if you're new to the club maybe you don't but that's okay, I'll explain.

Every year MBS members volunteer to man the bonsai exhibit to keep an eye on the trees, answer questions from the public, and, if you're a real go getter, we also do demonstrations throughout the run of the fair. The demos are free-form which means you can talk about whatever you like, for one demo a club member even got the crowd involved in styling a tree by picking the branches to cut and where to place wired branches. It was such a hit that everyone in the crowd from the demo made sure to stop by the exhibit to let us know how much fun they had. To top it all off, you get into the fair for FREE! That's right, FREE! If you work a morning shift you have the rest of the day and night to wander through the fair, catch some shows and eat all the awesome fair food. You also get bonsai bucks for the time that you volunteer for which can be used towards purchasing items that the club sells, raffle tickets at the annual exhibit, etc.

The other ask that the club is that we obviously need trees for the exhibit. We will have three separate exhibits that will be judged by a guest artist and awards presented for different experience levels. You can even enter a tree as a non-judged entrant just to show it if you like. The link to Eventbrite to view and sign up for volunteering and demonstrations is included below.

I can not encourage you enough to participate in the State Fair exhibit. Historically this has been the number #1 outreach that generates new membership and it's a lot of fun talking to people about bonsai. This is where I originally signed up for the beginner class and 1 year membership. I'm sure a lot of you can say the same. You don't have to be a bonsai know it all to volunteer. If you're new to the club you will usually be with another member or two that can help answer questions if you're not sure of something. If you sign up for one shift, two shifts or many shifts, know that the time you donate to this outreach is greatly appreciated.

Thank you in advance for helping out with this important outreach!

Sincerely,

Erich Broemser
2nd Vice president

[Tree Sitter link](#)

[Tree sign up-show #1](#)

[Tree sign up-show #2](#)

[Tree sign up-show #3](#)

Repotting the club ponderosa pine



May 4th Meeting

Michael Hagedorn—Bonsai Heresy (just a glimpse)



Unpacking The Myths



- * SCIENCE USEFUL, BUT BONSAI TRADITION CREATED BY ANECDOTE
- * THREE PATHS: SCIENCE, ANECDOTE, AND FANTASY
- * KEEP CAREFUL NOTES! YOU ARE A PART OF TRADITION

“CHEMICAL FERTILIZERS ARE FOR WANKERS / ORGANIC FERTILIZERS ARE FOR WIMPS”

ATtribution: GEORGE HARRISON; POST-BEATLES, PRE-BONSAI



- * WATERING ON A SCHEDULE IS THE BEST WAY TO DESTROY YOUR BONSAI
- * WATER ONLY WHEN THEY DRY OUT
- * AUTOMATIC MAY BE USEFUL MIDDAY WHEN AT WORK, DON'T RELY ON



- * SYMMETRY IS A PROBLEM WITH OPPOSITE BRANCHES...
- * ...BUT, NOT AT THE EXPENSE OF THE GREATER GOOD
- * KEEP ONE BRANCH SMALLER THAN THE OPPOSITE ONE, ALSO CONSIDER DITCHING THIS RULE WITH SHOHIN

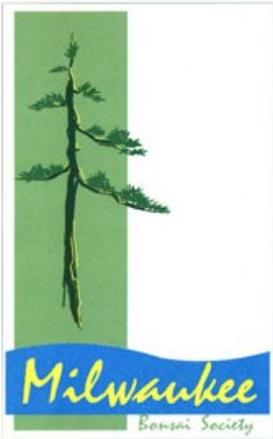


- * CONSIDER PASSIVE VS. ACTIVE IN TREE DESIGN, AND BE CLEAR ABOUT YOUR INTENTION
- * EVEN IN JAPAN SOME BONSAI HAVE PIGEON BREASTS
- * READ THE TREE, NOT THE BOOK



**THANKS FOR THE
OPPORTUNITY TO TALK
WITH YOU!**

AND MY THANKS TO THE HERETICAL BOOK TEAM OF MARY RUSSELL, SERGIO CUAN, JENNIFER OMNER, MAGDALENE HAGEDORN, LAURA NELSON AND NUMEROUS SMART FRIENDS



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Next MBS meeting will be
June 1 2021, 6:30pm
Via ZOOM

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Spring beauties rising
From the ground's brown leaf carpet
Delicate spring bloom

~Martha Stevens Grow