



YUKIYAMA BONSAI KAI

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Calendar of Events

- June 12-13 YBK BONSAI SHOW, **Garden Shop Nursery, 3636 Mayberry Dr. Reno, 825-3527**
- Jul - Summer Outing, TBD
- Aug - No Meeting (too hot)

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Please Note: Recent joining YBK member Bill Dolak is now setup to do custom rock cutting for cabbing, flint knapping, bonsai and suiseki. Contact him at www.thedolak.com, (775) 291-7068 or look him up on craigslist, search bonsai.

Plants Needed for the Show

So far the tree(s) at right are committed for the YBK Bonsai Show on June 12th & 13th. We need to know just how many trees we can expect. Please contact either myself at the email on the last page of this newsletter, or Pat Flynn and let us know the trees you will have in the show. We like to have name tags prepared for each tree. This coming Thursday, the YBK Board of Directors is meeting with management at the Garden Shop Nursery to outline where we will setup and how much space we need. We need more than just this one tree for a successful showing. Additionally, we will need volunteers to staff the event, help setup and tear down. Please contact us where and when you can assist.



Ryan Neil Visits Reno and YBK



One dozen YBK members were treated to a special occasion on Wednesday May 26th, when Ryan Neil, recent apprentice to Masahiko Kimura, demonstrated his bonsai knowledge and talents. Normally, his workshops are geared for five to six participants, getting one-on-one guidance and instruction. In our case, with twelve participants, all trees went to the front of the room and we all heard and viewed the instruction on each

tree. The twenty-eight years young bonsai master shared apprentice anecdotes/lessons/experiences from his six years with Mr. Kimura in Japan. This humble artist even shared stories of mistakes and misgivings, which made him all the more relatable. It did not matter what type of material was presented to him he educated us and gave each tree his full attention in styling. The club's plan would be to have Ryan return to us in the fall or spring and revisit the same trees he just gave us instruction on, taking their development to the next step.

All of us in attendance where enthralled for the afternoon and were sorry it had to end. I would highly recommend all of you catch Ryan Neil at any upcoming event. Watch this newsletter's What's Happening Nearby for his appearances. This is one young man to keep your eye on.



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What's Happening Nearby

Jun 5-6, Sei Boku Bonsai Kai, San Mateo, CA: *27th Annual Show*, San Mateo Garden Ctr, 605 Parkside Way. Both Days 10am-4pm. Demos with raffle following each day at 1pm. Sales area & "Dr. Bonsai" tree clinic. Admission is free.

Jun 12-13 YukiYama Bonsai Kai, Reno, NV: *Annual Showing*, Garden Shop Nursery, 3636 Mayberry Drive. Sat 10am-5pm, Sun 10 am-3 pm. Demos 1pm both days. Free admission.

Oct 28-31 GSBF Convention XXXIII, Santa Clara, CA: *New Face of Bonsai*, Marriott, 2700 Mission College Blvd. Headliners, Ryan Neil, Peter Warren, Michael Hagedorn. This convention will shape the Art of Bonsai for years to come with the guidance and vision of these new teachers. Visit www.gsbconvention.com for more information.

In Attendance:

Pat Flynn
Bo Bradley
Gail Rucker
Anne Kelty
Wendy Urruty
Oksan Horan
Raymond Needham
John Sciborski
Marion Sciborski
John North
Carolyn Carrica
J.D. Stoddard
Linda Neeser
Mike Draeger

May's Meeting Gone to Pot(s)

For our May Day meeting, Carolyn Carrica shared her knowledge of pottery and working with clay for a Pinch Pot workshop. Not only did she give of her time, but also she provided the majority of supplies needed. Each attendee created a pot, by forming it to a shape (rolling pin, paint can, free-form), then partially drying it with hair dryers. Textures and drainage holes were applied using items such as pine cones, towels, finger nails and drinking straws. Each of us were engrossed in our work of art. Fortunately, a Garden Shop passerby was interested in what we were doing and offered YBK the use of her kiln to glaze and "bake" our pottery. At this point, we have not seen the finished fruits of our labor, so stay tuned. **Thank You Carolyn!!!**



Bonsai Mum Update:

Keep your mum watered and fertilized. It's not yet time to transplant.