



YUKIYAMA BONSAI KAI

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Calendar of Events

- Nov. 8th NECC Meeting Fall/Winter Work on Pines/Junipers
- Dec—Winter Luncheon Date/Location TBA
- Jan. 3rd Happy New Year!

A Day With Dave De Groot

Saturday, October 4th was YBK's Day with Dave De Groot. In the morning demonstration, Dave was presented with a choice of two Procumbens junipers to style. He sketched his styling options for each tree, explaining his steps in evaluating, and the pros and cons in making a decision.

He then spent the remaining morning, styling, telling stories and sharing techniques as he created a slanting style tree. The winner of the raffled tree was JD Stoddard. Instructor, design, tree and winner are all pictured at right.



At the afternoon workshop, five club members had their own trees analyzed by Dave. In each case Dave suggested styling modifications and returned after some time

to see how we had progressed. He then added more styling advice and now, each of our trees should be good for the future. More pictures are presented on page two.

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Sat., Nov. 8th: Preparing Pines/Junipers for Fall & Winter

This coming Saturday, YBK's meeting topic is doing Autumn and Winter work on pines and junipers, particularly shimpaku and black pines. Additionally, there will be some discussion on the December luncheon. Input on 2009 topics, discussions and areas of interest are always welcomed.





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Elections Set For Nov. 8th

At this Saturday's meeting, nominations will be accepted for YukiYama Bonsai Kai board positions. Positions are elected for a two year term. Previous experience is not necessary. If you are interested in being nominated, please advise Pat Flynn. As always, it will be very nice having the elections over and getting back to having normal monthly meetings.

YBK Website Is Active

www.bonsaireno.org Have you had a chance to visit the new website? It seems to be changing quite frequently.

NOTES ON MONTHLY CARE—NOVEMBER, Taken from Bonsai Techniques I, by John Yoshio Naka, Copyright 1973-2004 by Bonsai Institute of California.

All bonsai should be dormant by now, but if the weather or storage temperature has been too warm they may not be, and care must be taken to prevent a second growth.

- Location:** Same rules as October. Guard against cold winds, frost and snow storms. Even some freak warm days too.
- Watering:** Less water this month, but do not let trees dry out even during dormancy. Trees are very sensitive even if they are dormant. Keep an eye on drainage. *Never water bonsai when it is frozen.*
- Trimming:** Remove any leaves remaining on deciduous trees. Be sure all fruit and seed pods are off too. This is a good month to remove all tip burned needles on pines, and any unsightly or extra long second year needles. This is also the time for the second trimming on black pines.
- Training:** Most branches will be too brittle to wire and bend this month.
- Fertilizing:** No fertilizing this month.
- Transplanting:** Do not attempt any this month.
- Miscellaneous:** It is a good time to collect native materials in the Southern states.