

Bonsai Notebook

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Calendar of Events

- October 8th (Friday)
 Mike Lane (LSBF Visiting Artist) via zoom
- October 13th
 Jonas Dupuich via zoom

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N/A

President's Message

By Roland Lopez

Hola mi ABS Familia!

Here we go into the fall season! I love this part of the year. Those beautiful, cooler days said hello to us earlier this time. Ahhh, I love it! It's almost time for us to fertilize our trees again and get them ready for their winter slumber. Fertilizing is very important, especially right now! Fertilizing aids in a tree's winter hardiness and gives them the energy they need to push out new growth the following spring. It's also great if you want to beef up any trees that you have. Our trees put on more vascular growth than any other time of the year in the fall, so take advantage of that and fertilize your pre-bonsai to get them closer to your developmental goals!

Last month we had a wonderful mame bonsai presentation from Eric Schrader. I was fascinated by his process and I'm sure some of us will try to grow our own tiny bonsai! It's a great practice to get results soon. I know making a bonsai for 15 or 20 years doesn't appeal to everyone. So if that's the case for you, be sure to watch Eric's presentation. I will have it uploaded soon for your viewing pleasure!

At this month's meeting, a slate of officers will be announced for our 2022 ABS board. After the member's names have been presented, nominations from the floor can be accepted if there are any. Afterwards, our meeting will commence.

This month, October 13, we have another heavy hitter for you! Jonas Dupuich of Bonsai Tonight will be discussing - Long-Term Strategies for Growing Quality Bonsai from Scratch! This will be a virtual presentation. Jonas is an accomplished bonsai teacher with hours and hours of information on his website https://bonsaitonight.com/. He also has one of the best web stores around. I encourage you to visit his site for education and for any items you may need.

In addition to our regular club meeting, we have another special event this month for ABS! Mike Lane will be our touring TTSBE artist this year and he will be here for a virtual demonstration! The demo will take place on October 8 at 7pm. An invite will be sent out soon for this occasion.

I'm looking forward to seeing all of you soon! Please take care.

Warmly Smiling,

Roland



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ABS Board Minutes

September 2021

Meeting starts at 7:05 pm

Attendees: Brandon, Ruwan, Roland, Summer, Gloria, Jakob

- A. Still Hosting LSBF 2025
 - a. Need to get more trees
- B. 2021 Album
 - a. Digital NFT album, maybe
 - b. Possible physical albums as well
 - c. Tax burden
 - D. Lots of inquiries and concerns on this
- C. Google Storage
 - a. Will terminate the service and explore OneDrive options
- D. Rest of year Program
 - a. No Thanksgiving event due to COVID-19 pandemic
 - b. Another online community event for November Nationals presentation by Brandon and raffle
- E. 2022 program discussion
 - a. We can have 4 guest artists
 - b. Will get a draft of 2022 artists to board by next month
- F. Mike Lane
 - a. Still for October 8th at 7:00PM.
 - b. We will be training people on livestreaming equipment for that day.
 - c. He will be available for private study as well.

Meeting Ends 8:15 PM

Reminder for club membership

2021 membership fee (July to December)

Individual \$16.50
Family \$19.50
Newsletter monthly advertisements: \$37.50
Directory advertisement: \$11

You may contact <u>payments.austinbonsaisociety@gmail.com</u> for convenient electronic payment options (processing fee included).

Recruiting Authors

With a nod of respect to John Miller, who has been diligently writing monthly columns for our newsletter, we would also like to take this time to invite interested members with knowledge and experiences of local Austin conditions to write articles for beginners and potential aspirants keen on raising bonsai. The Bonsai Notebook is looking for a new voice to author a column providing helpful reminders and tips dedicated to caring for bonsai. Be it a monthly routine or winter procedures, we'd like to welcome new perspectives and experiences to be shared in this newsletter. If interested, please contact: webmaster.austinbonsaisociety@gmail.com.

A warm thank you to John Miller for writing the latest columns. Even I, as the editor, may have taken these last months for granted and have been reminded that life is a charming companion that deserves to be appreciated every day. Thank you for your helpful words!



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About Us

The Austin Bonsai Society is a nonprofit organization which exists to help in providing guidance and education for individuals in their desire to learn and expand their knowledge and skill in the arts of bonsai.

The Society holds regular meetings, twelve months a year, on the second Wednesday of each month. Our social period begins at 7:00 pm, followed by our program at 7:30 pm. Normally, unless announced otherwise, these meetings are held in the Zilker Garden Center building, located on Barton Springs Road in Zilker Park, Austin, Texas. We offer a monthly program of interest to the general membership.

The cost of membership is presently only \$32.50 for an individual and \$37.50 for a family membership. For additional information, contact the Austin Bonsai Society at P.O. Box 340474, Austin, TX 78734.