



BADGER BONSAI SOCIETY

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Next Meeting Date:

Thursday Nov-14-2019 | 6:30 to 8:00pm
Olbrich Botanical Gardens
3330 Atwood Avenue, Madison, WI

AGENDA:

Tropical Workshop, 2020 Officers & Programs

CLUB OFFICERS:

Co-Presidents Bill and Karl
Vice President Mary
Treasurer Gary
Web Master / Newsletter Wayne
Librarian Derek
Refreshments Elaine

President's Message

November-14th meeting

The calendar that was set up at the start of the year listed a tropical workshop for our November meeting. If you are bringing tropical material for the workshop, be sure to adequately protect it from the cold. I found some small mame-sized dwarf schefflera at Home Depot. I'll bring these to the meeting. The regular sized schefflera have such large leaves that it necessitates a pretty large tree. Speaking of schefflera, if you are growing this species, you probably know it is very prone to scale. Be vigilant.

We will also elect officers for the coming year, and solicit program ideas for 2020. — *Karl*

When is the next meeting???

Well, it's always the second Thursday of the month. But the actual date can shift by almost a

week. This month, because November 1st was on a Friday, the meeting date is as late in the month as it can get - on November 14th. In other months when the 1st falls on a Thursday, the second Thursday would be as early as it can ever be, falling on the 8th of the month.

Preparing your Tropicals for Winter ...

MaryE had requested that we each describe what we do to minimize pests when bringing our tropical trees in for the winter. We ran out of time at the Sept-meeting and never got around to discussing this, even at the October meeting. Please come prepared to discuss your successes and failures. Also, if you want, send your inputs to Wayne and we can prepare this as a topic on the BBS Website (and **perhaps** even open up for moderated commenting).

Maker's Faire

The Madison Maker's Faire is Sunday, Nov-24th from 10 am until 4 pm. This affords the club an opportunity to promote our hobby at no cost. If we can't get a member or two to man the booth on that day, we will have to cancel.

Fall Colors

The Japanese maples were all glorious this autumn, with bright oranges, and reds, and yellows. (See an example of a beautifully colored maple of BarbaraB's below).

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The only maple that I have that didn't show any color was a *kito hime*. This is a new acquisition for me so I don't know if the lack of color will continue in future years, or if there was something peculiar about 2019. If you look at photos of deshojo, or shin deshojo, the leaves are bright fire engine red. Alas, the fantastic color is only in the fall – the rest of the growing year it is merely green.

Barbara also has an azalea that has turned bright red. It is amazing. If the color holds true in subsequent years, I would think plant breeders would want to reproduce this particular plant. The azaleas that I have at best turn a little bronze in color, remaining on the plant all winter, and being discarded in the spring. Has anyone else seen an azalea with bright red fall foliage? — Karl



Barbara's maple showing such vivid fall coloration ... notice the nice green lawn of only a couple of weeks ago, now we have a white winter-wonderland!

Show 'n' Tell

remember, bringing something related to bonsai to the meeting to show & tell about, will get you an additional ticket for our meeting door prize drawings!

The October show and tell was once again very interesting with a wide variety of trees: Tim showed a very nice Amur Maple; Derek had a *yamadori* Juniper that he had recently harvested from the mountains outside of Salt Lake City, Utah; Ralph brought along a small Chrysanthemum; and Karl had a Japanese Maple. We also viewed the slide show that Wayne put together from our May-2019 Annual Show (though still some final tweaks are needed, and will have to be split into multiple files before being able to post to our website). ... Thanks to all for sharing!

Other Shows and Conventions or Societies:

[Hidden Gardens \(Willowbrook-IL\)](#)

Visiting Bonsai Artist:

- Mauro Stemberger, Nov 9 - 10, 2019

Winter Silhouette Bonsai Expo

Sunday, Dec 8, 2019

Kannapolis, NC.

Free admission. Demos by William Valavanis, Rodney Clemons, Tyler Sherrod and Owen Reich. With 2 rooms of vendors.

For more info see: www.winterbonsai.net

[Northern Virginia Bonsai Society Spring Show](#)

Apr 11 – 12, 2020

Merrifield Garden Center,

12101 Lee Hwy, Fairfax, VA 22030, USA ([map](#))

Potomac Bonsai Association Festival

May 1 – 3, 2020

United States National Arboretum,

3501 New York Ave NE,

Washington, DC 20002, USA

Bonsai Vision 2020

May 14 – 17, 2020

Drury Plaza Hotel San Antonio North Stone Oak, 823 N Loop 1604 W E, San Antonio, TX 78232, USA ([map](#)). Lonestar Bonsai Federation Convention

For more info see: www.sanantoniobonsai.org

[Brussel's Rendezvous](#)

May 22-24

Olive Branch, MS

[National Bonsai and Penjing Museum](#)

3501 New York Ave NE, Washington, DC

Bonsai Global Seminars Oct. 8-11, 2020. Kellogg Conference Hotel and the U.S. National Arboretum, Washington, DC. Hosted by: American Bonsai Society, National Bonsai Foundation, Bonsai Clubs International, Potomac Bonsai Association. This could be the most significant bonsai event many of us could ever attend. Please watch for updates.

Info provided by ABS (American Bonsai Society).

Tentative 2019 Calendar for
Badger Bonsai Society meeting & events:
(date is 2nd Thursday unless noted differently below)

December meeting – Suiseki and daiza making

Jan-2020: Annual Membership Club Dinner

REMEMBER

No meeting in Jan-2020 ... instead we have our annual members dinner.

The dinner date and location will be established and included in the January newsletter and also announced on the BBS website ASAP.

ALSO remember ... that BBS annual dues for the 2020 year can be submitted at the December or February-2020 meetings.

2020 Mid American Bonsai Alliance:

Insights Into Bonsai

June 25-28, 2020 at The Four Points Sheraton Milwaukee North Shore (8900 North Kildeer Court, Milwaukee, WI).

Hosted by the Milwaukee Bonsai Society.

Additional information is being added frequently.

Guest Artists: Francis Jeker - France

Ted Matson - California

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