

Club meeting and demonstration Tuesday,
November 6 at 7:00 pm
No workshop in November, but we'll see you at the
Holiday Party December 9

Marin Bonsai Club Newsletter



President's Message

Wishing you all a very Happy Thanksgiving!

George

Repotting Season will be Upon Us in No Time, Are you Ready?

As a club we will begin repotting workshops on January 15. If you will need soil, pumice, tools, pots or wire for your own use, right now would be an excellent time to get in touch with our November guest, Jonas Dupuich of Bonsai Tonight, to place your order so he can bring it with him to Tuesday's meeting. You can reach him at his website bonsaitonight.com, and if you aren't already a subscriber to his blog this would be an excellent time sign up!

For those of you who may not need a whole bag of soil we will have a few buckets available so you can find a friend and split a bag.

John and Chris style a procumbens 'nana' juniper for our October meeting

Many thanks to John Doig and Chris Ross for an excellent program on styling a juniper for our presentation in October. Using well developed nursery stock they led the audience through the decisions made and techniques used to turn this raw material into a promising bonsai. Their work was followed up with suggestions for care going forward and a raffle which was won by Chris! Being a generous kind of guy he graciously gifted the tree to one of our newer members, Lake Hanyu, who has also volunteered to be our new newsletter editor. Maybe a cosmic reward for her good deed?

You will be able to find David's always-excellent review of the presentation on our [website](#) soon.



Bonsai Gardens at Lake Merritt

Many thanks to Al Voight for stepping in on short notice and taking over docent duties at the Bonsai Gardens for our club shift in October. And our thanks to Art Wasserman who put in a lot of phone calls to line up volunteers. It was a tough weekend to cover because so many people attended the Bonsai Convention in Sacramento, so Purple Hearts for



Jonas Dupuich - November 6, 7:00 PM

Jonas Dupuich, one of our favorite bonsai experts, will present a program on fall work on Japanese Black Pine bonsai. This is a critical time to set our trees up for healthy

both of you.

For our shift this month we need docents – hopefully two – for our next date of November 24, right after Thanksgiving. The shift is from 10:00 – 1:00 and even if you haven't been doing bonsai for long you are sure to know more about bonsai than 99% of the visitors, plus it is a great place to learn about the trees and their care. Please let Roger Lion know if you can help us out this month.

We would like to bring some of our newer members into the docent program for an orientation on both the bonsai and docenting. Please step up and let us know when you can help out. Thank you!!

growth for the coming year. Jonas will address needle plucking, pruning and wiring to be done on the trees. There will also be a **raffle!**

Even if you don't currently own Japanese Black Pine bonsai this will be a good program to understand why they are called the "King of Bonsai" and perhaps start you on the road to new bonsai adventures.

Don't forget to check Jonas' website, bonsaitonight.com if you would like to order soil or supplies. He is happy to bring them with him.

Meeting starts at 7:00PM.
Please be prompt.

Save the Date!

December 9 will be our annual holiday party at the home of Dan and Susan Keller, 2:00–6:00 PM

Get your decorated bonsai ready and start perfecting those favorite side dishes and desserts!