

# Newsletter from

**Marin Bonsai Club**

- June 2019 -

## In This Edition...

- Golden State Bonsai Federation (GSBF) *Golden Statements Magazine on line*, Lecture by Bill Castellon **6/4**
- Workshop **6/18**
- **31 days** to Marin County Fair set up
- Annual Auction & Sale on **8/6**
- ----WANTED: your response to the survey, Donation of items, co-chairperson for the annual auction & sale, Unpaid membership dues
- Inaugural Bay Area Shohin and Suiseki Show **6/29, 6/30**
- ... and More

Important Dates [Click for MBC Event page](#)

### At Terra Linda Community Center:

Tue. **6/4**, 7-9:30 PM Meeting and the Lecture

*Bill Castellon on de-Candling of Japanese Black Pine*

Tue. **6/18**, 7-9:30 PM Workshop

[See Taskmaster on MBC website](#)

Tue. **8/6**, 7-9:30 PM Annual Auction & Sale

### At Lakeside Garden Center in Oakland:

Sat and Sun **6/29, 30** Inaugural Bay Area Shohin and Suiseki Show

### Marin Civic Center: [Direction](#)

Sat and Sun **7/3 - 7/7**, [Marin County Fair](#)

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## ***President's Special Message***

We enjoyed another informative lecture by Peter Tea on deciduous bonsai on May 7th meeting. The lecture was well attended by MBC members, and had a great impact on attendance of following workshop at the **Terra Linda Community Center (TLCC)**. Many members worked on their deciduous bonsai; it was the best workshop at our new location. Thanks to Chris Ross, John Doig, Dan Keller, Peter Miller, and others for helping out with the members and their bonsai.

We are fortunate to have return visit by **Bill Castellon on June 4, 2019**. Starting at 7 PM, demonstration on ***Japanese black pine, he will cover the importance of decandling black pine***. This is an important time of the year to work on black pine bonsai. If members want to bring in one of their black pine bonsai to the meeting for show & tell and possible critique that will be fine. And, members will be able to follow-up and put in to practice Bill's instructions at the June 18 workshop.

Marcia Summers prepared and disseminated a short and easy **What's on Your Mind?** survey form for members to complete. The responses to the survey questions will be consolidated and reviewed by the MBC Board to help in developing club goals for the remaining calendar year and to establish next year's schedule of programs. We want to ensure your needs are met above all else. So, don't hang on to those surveys too long! Hand the completed surveys in at the meeting or workshop or email to Marcia ([msummers@pon.net](mailto:msummers@pon.net)) or myself ([gwhaas@comcast.net](mailto:gwhaas@comcast.net)).

The **Annual Auction & Sale on August 6**, will be from 7:00 to 9:30 p.m. at the TLCC. I encourage every member to examine their bonsai and related items (pots, books, tools, etc.) to see what items you can part with for donation and/or consignment. All proceeds go towards to club operations and yearly schedule of programs. Please send me an email listing of bonsai and related items for the auction & sale. **---Example: One medium bonsai for auction, three pots for sale, all consignments.---** I have decided to chair the annual auction & sale this year. I will contact who assisted in last year's auction & sale. A large number of bonsai and accent pots have been donated to MBC. These pots range from small to large in size and will be priced at below retail prices. Sharon Bone organized and established a great model last year to follow. Please contact me for more info about the Auction.

Believe it or not we still have members who have not paid their annual dues yet. **Membership dues** are a vital part of the annual income for MBC and help fund yearly schedule of programs. Please make payment (\$45 individual, \$65 family and \$25 student) to MBC, PO Box 1461, Ross, CA 994957-1461.

The **Marin County Fair** schedule sign-up forms for set up and tear down and docents will be made available at the June 4 meeting. Set up and tear down will be the same as in past years. Jay McDonald will chair the Marin County Fair show. Please set aside time for these activities above and help make the MBC show a great success again!

**31 days** until MBC show set-up time for the Marin County Fair which is scheduled for July 3-7.

Thank you.

--George

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## May Workshop Report by George



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# BONSAI EVENT NEAR US

We invite you to the  
**Inaugural  
Bay Area Suiseki  
and  
Shohin Show**



June 29 and 30, 2019  
Lake Side Park Garden Center  
Oakland, CA



## Inaugural Bay Area Shohin and Suiseki Show

There's a new show on the bonsai/suiseki calendar this year. Sparked by a conversation among members of several local clubs and an interest in having a show in the Bay Area which spotlighted shohin bonsai and suiseki stones, the Bay Area Shohin and Suiseki Show was born.

The dates are the last weekend in **June, 29 - 30**  
to be held at the **Garden Center at Lake Merritt.**

The show is sponsored by San Francisco Suiseki Kai, California Suiseki Society, East Bay Bonsai Society, California Shohin Society and the Bay Area Shohin Society. All Northern California clubs are invited to participate if they are members in good standing with the Golden State Bonsai Federation. We hope to see a wide range of trees and stones from talented artists and enthusiasts throughout the Bay Area. Here are the details:

Location/Times:

Lake Merritt Garden Center, 666 Bellevue Ave, Oakland, CA  
94610 Saturday June 29, 11am to 5 pm, Sunday June 30, 11 am to 4 pm

- Introduction to Suiseki Stones presentation, Sunday 1:00 pm
- Club Sales of stones and trees
- Professional Vendor Sales

Want to exhibit?

Members of any Northern California clubs can display trees or stones, if they abide by these guidelines:

1. Display material must be good quality, perhaps displayed in a show before

2. Exhibitors must participate in both the set up / take down of the show and serve as Security and Docents for the show.

3. Exhibitors must notify the organizers by June 7 what will be bringing and how much space display space is requested.

If interested in participating please contact the appropriate individual below:

- Henry van der Voort, oldboar3@gmail.com, - Calif. Suiseki Society
- Janet Roth, janet@jtroth.com, Candace Key, mckassoc@yahoo.com, - San Francisco Suiseki Kai
- Gordon Deeg, gdbonsai90@gmail.com, Bay Area Shohin Society,

#### **California Shohin Society**

- John Doig, jldoighar@gmail.com, EBBS, BABA, Marin Bonsai Club
  - Bob Gould, rgould1003@aol.com, EBBS, BABA
- Bob Shimon, shimon@mcn.org, Candace Key, mckassoc@yahoo.com, REBS
  - Lisa Harper, lisaharper@me.com, 510-220-3339, EBBS

#### **Useful Links**

[Some of what you will find on Marin Bonsai Club Website/Blog](#)

**Link to [Marin Bonsai Club](#)**

1) *Subscribe to the blog:* Go to the link above, and look for the **Subscribe** section, like the image below, on the right pane, enter your email address.

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Enter your email address to subscribe to this blog and receive notifications of new posts by email.

2) *Read recap of Lecture, Demos and Workshop:* Go to Link above. Newest post on home page, and list of past posting is on the right pane.

***And more... Visit our [Website/Blog](#) today***

Other links you may be interested

[Bay Area Satuski Aikokai](#)

[Golden Statements Magazine – Free digital access!](#)

[Redwood Empire Bonsai Society](#)

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## Bizarro Wayno and Piraro



😊 Here is an artist we don't see very often 🌸

Thanks Jessica and Art Wasserman!



[Read write up by David Eichhorn on April Presentation](#)



## On Docent Duty at BGLM

Dennis Plaut is the MBC Docent Coordinator for the Golden State Bonsai Federation (GSBF) Bonsai Garden at Lake Merritt, in Oakland. MBC is committed to providing docent support every fourth Saturday of the month from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. The Bonsai Garden at Lake Merritt opened its gate to the public in November 1999. The Bonsai Garden was built entirely by volunteers of GSBF club members. Today, it continues to be cared for by all volunteers. MBC support role is a long-term commitment honored and enjoyed by many of us.

[click here to sign up](#) or [click here to email Dennis](#)

Thank you in advance for your support of the Gardens and our Bonsai community.

## 2019 Board Members and Appointments

### Board Members:

- President - George Haas
- VP of Programs - David Eichhorn
- VP of Shows - Jay McDonald
- Treasurer - Art Wasserman
- Secretary - Marcia Summers
- Secretary - Dan Keller
- Webmaster - Sharon Bone
- Newsletter Editor - Lake Hanyu

### Appointments

- BGLM Docent Coordinator - Dennis Plaut
- **Membership (Hospitality) - Open**
- Librarian - Roger Lion

email MBC

### Special Thank You! to:

Docent volunteers at BGLM

Everyone who came to work on your bonsai and senior members who helped other members at workshop

All the enthusiasm / knowledge of members!



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