

Newsletter *from*



Marin Bonsai Club

- November 2019 -

Please note the correction:

Holiday Potluck is Saturday 12/7, 2-6 pm
NOT 12/9 as announced on 11/1 email
I apologize for mistake.
Lake Hanyu

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

At **Terra Linda Community Center:**

Tue. **11/5, 7-9:30 PM** Meeting and the Lecture
"Demonstration on Cedar bonsai" by Randall Lee

Tue. **11/19, 7-9:30 PM** Workshop
[See Taskmaster on MBC website](#)

Tue. 1/7, 7-9:30 PM Annual Membership Meeting and Election

At **Bonsai Garden at Lake Merritt**: [Google direction](#)

Sat. 11/23, 10-1 PM

Docent Duty – Art Wasserman & A new member TBD

At the home of **Craig Thompson and Amy Ewing**:

Sat. 12/9, 2-6 PM

Holiday Party and Potluck (detail to follow soon)



President's Special Message

The MBC Board continues to work hard managing the club's business. On October 15, the board approved a bold and exciting 2020 schedule of programs: eight new demonstrations, some returning favorite artists/instructors and some new faces. Topics will include Shohin bonsai, redwoods, olives, trident maple, tropical indoors/outdoors, Monterey cypress, and Princess persimmon. Peter Tea will return with a new program – to evaluate 10 lucky members' bonsai. The full schedule of programs will be posted to our web site soon.

The Board approved the rewrite of the club's bylaws as well. Existing bylaws, last amended in 1966, were outdated for club operation. The membership will have the opportunity to vote on the new bylaws at the January 7, 2020 meeting.

Candace Key and Chris Ross offered to take charge of materials for the meeting / workshop, and the Board approved the plan.

A discussion for restructuring of the officers and board for 2020 took place. As a result, a vice president and three new board member positions were created. During the annual business meeting on January 7, 2020, we will elect three officers and three board members. The Elections Nominating Committee of Candace Key, Marcia Summers and Dan Keller are working on recruiting members for these important positions. Your participation in all club activities is greatly appreciated.

The 2020 officers and board will inherit 1) fiscal assets well in the black, 2) the 2020 schedule of programs, 3) models for four successful fundraisers, 4) the best bonsai club web site in the west, 5) monthly emailed newsletters and reminders, and 6) new bylaws.

On October 1, John "JT" Thompson provided a wonderful lecture and demonstration

using native oak bonsai. John is an expert on California native oaks used for bonsai. John also provided a detailed handout on the life cycle of bonsai. David Eichhorn's write up of John's lecture and demonstration will be posted soon to the club's web site.

On November 5, the club will have Randall Lee return for a demonstration on Cedar bonsai, and a Cedar bonsai will be raffled off.

Thanks to all the members who have participated in the scheduled club activities. None of the above would have taken place without your support.

-George

Financial Report 1/1/2019 - 10/1/2019		
BANK ACCOUNT BALANCE		
	MBC Checking/Savings	\$8,917.87
TOTAL FUNDS:		\$8,917.87
REVENUE		
	Total Auction & Sale	\$1,199.88
	Total Beginners' Workshops	\$865.41
	Total Marin County Fair Show	\$1,500.00
	Total Membership	\$2,457.00
	Total Pot & Tree Sales	\$218.00
	Total Workshops	(\$596.61)
TOTAL INCOME:		\$5,643.68
EXPENSES		
	Total Administrative Expense	\$519.78
	Total Club Supplies	\$108.95
	Total Guest Artists	\$2,124.00
	Total Insurance	\$500.00
	Total Rent	\$458.00
TOTAL EXPENSES:		\$3,710.73
NET INCOME (LOSS):		\$1,932.95
<p>Note: The above is a condensed income statement showing MBC year-to-date revenue and expenses. A detailed version is available upon request.</p>		

November Demo and Lecture

11/5, Randall Lee on Cedar bonsai
- a Cedar bonsai will be raffled off -

RECAP: October Demo
Oak Bonsai by John "JT" Thompson
Write up by David Eichhorn
will appear on MBC website **shortly**

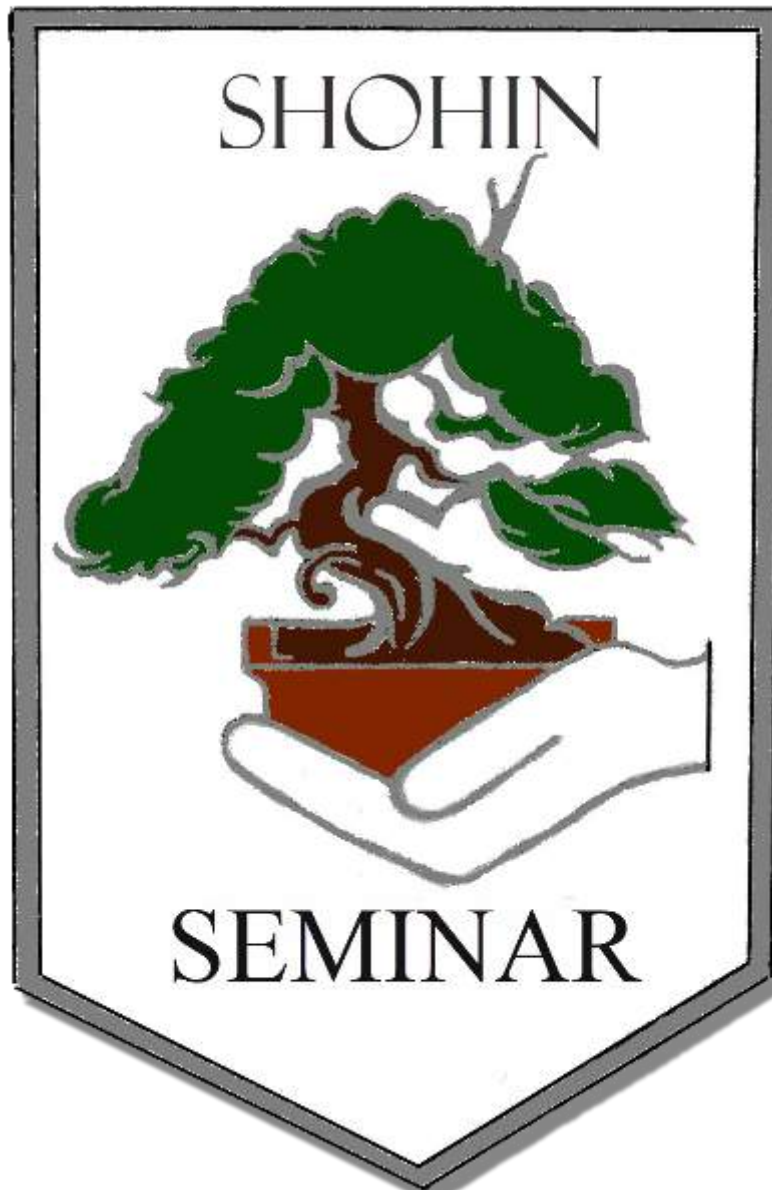
Bonsai Events Near Us

California Shohin Society Seminar 2020

Friday 01/31 through Sunday 02/02/2020

Hotel de Oro, Santa Nella, CA

Contact info: calshohin@yahoo.com



CALIFORNIA SHOHIN SOCIETY SEMINAR 2020
Hotel de Oro Conference Center, Santa Nella, California
JANUARY 31, FEBRUARY 1-2, 2020

October 25, 2017
Dear Bonsai Enthusiast!

Shohin time is here once again. We are accepting registrations starting today, October 25th and will be able to accommodate the first 275 people for full registration on a first come first served basis. There are 203 workshop openings available. Workshop registrations must be postmarked by December 14th, 2019 to be a part of the lottery for workshops. Be sure to list several choices so we can best accommodate your wishes. You will be notified of your workshops no later than the second week in January 2020.

We will also benefit from the knowledge of several illuminati of the America Bonsai world. There will be multiple demonstrations over the three days of the seminar. This is the best gathering of America Bonsai experts and please remember they are donating their time to keep your costs down.

If you plan to attend the hospitality suite either Friday or Saturday please

consider bringing some liquid refreshment and/or a treat to share. Reservations for the Hotel de Oro should be made soon. Filling hotel rooms helps keep the overall Seminar costs within reach. Please mention the Shohin Seminar when you are making your reservations.

- 2020 Seminar Chairperson: Janice & Bob Hale & Fred Miyahara
- 2020 Vendor Chairperson: Bob Shimon
- 2020 Auction & Raffle Chairpersons: Doyle & Jason Saito
- 2020 Workshop Chairperson: Bill Castellon
- 2020 Hospitality Chairpersons: Cary & Steve Valentine

This is the first year we are using an email service. Let me know what works and what doesn't work. If the registration forms do not make it through to you, copies of the registration and workshop forms can also be found on our website <http://www.calshohin.org/register/>. They will be in PDF downloadable format there.

Thank you for your interest and support,
Randi Keppeler, Registrar
Mail Registration forms and payment to:
1041 Rosewood Ave, San Carlos, CA 94070

For questions, concerns, or to obtain more registration forms, email Randi at calshohin@yahoo.com

There is more information on our website. www.calshohin.org

P.S. If you already received this, please pass it on to another interested bonsai enthusiast.

REMINDER

MBC Meeting and Workshops are conducted at
Terra Linda Community Center [Direction](#)

[Membership](#) Dues are due. If overlooked, mail in the check today!

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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.

That's it, you will receive new posting on our website.

Subscribe to our Blog

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.](#)



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.

November Docent Duty: Art Wasserman and new member (TBD)

Do you have an interesting story, news, findings?
Do you love writing little blurbs about your experience?
How about photos you want to share and tell 1000 words with pictures

Send your ideas, inquiry to
Lakeipad@mail.com

2019 Board Members and Appointments

Board Members:

- President - George Haas
- VP of Programs - David Eichhorn
- VP of Shows - Jay McDonald
- Treasurer - Art Wasserman
- Secretary - Marcie 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!



