

# Newsletter from

## Marin Bonsai Club

- August 2020 -

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

#### **At Terra Linda Community Center:**

July and August MBC events are cancelled

Sat. **11/7**, MBC Annual Auction (Date changed from August)

#### **On Zoom**

Tue. **08/04, 7-9:30 PM** Lecture/Demo by Peter Tea

At **Bonsai Garden** at **Lake Merritt is open!**: [Direction](#)



*President's Special Message*

I hope everyone is staying at home, if possible, during the Covid-19 outbreak.

I have no news from the City of San Rafael regarding the availability of our club meetings and workshops at the Terra Linda Community Center. The City of San Rafael continues to be taking steps to ease restrictions on a month to month basis. I will inform the membership as news becomes available.

In place of in-person meeting, there will be a Zoom virtual meeting and presentation with Peter Tea this coming Tuesday August 4th 7:00 p.m. - 9:30 p.m. Peter has performed a number of successful Zoom presentations for other bonsai clubs. Details on the Zoom meeting and presentation have been emailed to every member. How to join is included in this Newsletter and your email in box.

The programs committee was appointed on June 10th MBC Board Zoom Meeting for 2021 schedule of programs. The committee is comprised of Craig Thompson (leader), Marcia Summers and Gwynessa Aetherwyn. A tentative list of guest demonstrators has been made so far. Watch for news as the 2021 programs take shape.

The elections committee of three members is needed, to identify and to nominate officers for 2021 by November 2020. If you are interested in being a part of this important committee, contact me via email at [gwhaas@comcast.net](mailto:gwhaas@comcast.net). If you would like to take a role as an officer, board member and/or appointees, contact me via call at 707-762-9154 or email [gwhaas@comcast.net](mailto:gwhaas@comcast.net).

A reminder: if you are not yet subscribed to Golden Statements Magazine, it is easy to get your free subscription and receive automatic email notification quarterly posting. The summer issue, posted online on June 26, 2020 is packed with bonsai information.

To view and subscribe, go directly to <http://www.gsbfbonsai.org/Articles.asp?ID=291>

Protect yourself and stay healthy. Hope you will join Zoom Lecture this week!

--- George

***New!* Ask the Task Master**  
**August 2020**

(send in your questions to [Lakeipad@mail.com](mailto:Lakeipad@mail.com))



## What does the Task Master Say about August?

August in the Northern Bay Area microclimates is a time of wondering what...

When the days get too hot, remember that afternoon sun, even fairly late sun, is hotter and drier...

Pots that are especially slow to dry may be getting...

All the sun and heat means now is a good time to work on...

Bugs are in full glory right now, so use the...

Any wiring done earlier is likely to be cutting in by now, and...

Turn your pots every week. Garage sales frequently have cheap...

**Make sure there's peace in the garden and peace in your life as often as possible.**

[Read the whole post on our Website here](#)

[Ask the Task Master here](#)

## ***Let's meet on line !***

### **August Demo and Lecture**

-- On Zoom --

by Peter Tea

**08/04/2020 7:00 - 9:30**

Cost: Free

[https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84902832184?  
pwd=a2RxZjFMSXBKTmc2dVZCSml3OWJDZz09](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84902832184?pwd=a2RxZjFMSXBKTmc2dVZCSml3OWJDZz09)

Meeting ID: 849 0283 2184

Passcode: 227308

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# Available to MBC members Bonsai Library

BOOK TITLE	AUTHOR	YEAR	PUBLISHER
A Dwarfed Tree Manual for Westerners	Samuel Newsom	1966	Tokyo News Service, Ltd.
Bonkei: Tray Landscapes	Jozan Hirota	1970	Kodansha International, Ltd.
Bonsai	Kunio Kobayashi & Kazuhiko Tajima	2016	Ple Books
Bonsai for Pleasure	Keiji Murata and Murata Takeuehi	1969	Japan Publications, Inc.
Bonsai Gems	International Bonsai Digest	1974	International Bonsai Digest
Bonsai of the World II	World Bonsai Friendship Federation		World Bonsai Friendship Federation
Bonsai Techniques for Satsuki	John Naka, Richard K. Ota & Kenko Rokkaku	1979	Ota Bonsai Nursery
Bonsai: Culture and Care of Miniature Trees	Sunset Editorial Staff	1965	Lane Books
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Even Monkeys Fall Out of Trees	Nina Shiro Ragle	1987	Nippon Art Forms
Floral Treasures of Japan: The Satsuki Azaleas	Alexander Kennedy	1997	Splatt Press
Forest, Rock Planting & Ezo Spruce Bonsai	Saburo Kato	2001	National Bonsai Foundation, Inc.
How To Series Bonsai Miniature Potted Trees	Kyuzo Murata	1964	Shufunotomo Co., Ltd
Ideas for Japanese Gardens	Sunset Editorial Staff	1975	Lane Books
Practical Bonsai for Beginners	Kenji Murata	1971	Japan Publications Trading Co.
Saikei: Living Landscapes in Miniature	Toshio Kawamoto	1967	Kodansha International, Ltd.
The Bonsai Art of Kimura	Katsuhito Onishi	1992	Stone Lantern Publishing Co.
The Creative Art of Bonsai	Isabelle & Remy Samson	1986	Ward Lock Limited London
The Japanese Art of Miniature Trees and Landscapes	Yuji Yoshimura & Giovanna M. Halford	1957	Charles E. Tuttle Co.
The Masters' Book of Bonsai	Directors of the Japan Bonsai Association	1967	Kodansha International, Ltd.
The Masters' Book of Bonsai	Directors of the Japan Bonsai Association	1963	Kodansha International, Ltd.

These books were recently donated to the club. The books are located at the Terra Linda Mini Storage locker the club rents. A sort of reservation system needs to be establish so the books can be retrieved from the locker when a member wants a titled book.



Since mid March, I have been watching and helping people garden as a nursery person. For a while, I thought "whole community is turning into a garden and people of all walks of lives are becoming gardener". By mid June, I realized it was not a garden, but gigantic farm we were creating. Many of us were becoming farmers.

Second wave of "I have nothing better to do and need to find a hobby" stage in the pandemic, many people are turning to Bonsai. Costco knows this and they are selling these potted mass-produced miniature trees for less than \$20. So, we continue to learn and preserve the art of Bonsai...

~ 🌳 ~  
Lake Hanyu

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## REMINDER

MBC in-person-Meeting/Workshops for July and August at  
**Terra Linda Community Center**  
**ARE CANCELLED**

Join the Zoom Demo and Lecture  
with Peter Tea on 8/4

[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](#)

**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](mailto:Lakeipad@mail.com)

**GSBF Best Club Newsletter Contest:** You can participate in sharing idea for better newsletter!

Entries July 1, 2020 through September 1, 2020

Winners to be announced October 1, 2020 in the Golden Statements Magazine

Select three of the best newsletters from the last 12 months in PDF format and submit via email to the Competition Committee.

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## 2019 Board Members and Appointments

### Board Members:

- President - George Haas
- Vice President - Open
- Secretary - Marcie Summers
- Treasurer - Open

### Board Members:

George Haas  
Marcia Summers  
Diane Matzen  
Gwynessa Aetherwyn  
Lake Hanyu

### Appointments

- BGLM Docent Coordinator - Dennis Plaut
- Librarian - Roger Lion
- Program Chair - David Eichhorn
- Show Chair - Jay McDonald
- Membership - Dan Keller
- Webmaster - Sharon Bone
- Newsletter - Lake Hanyu

email MBC

### Special Thank You! to:

**Robert Cameron for sending in the first question for the "Ask the Task Master"**

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!



