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JUNE 2018 NEWSLETTER

Saturday June 16, 2018 at 7 pm

Anaheim United Methodist Church, 1000 South State College Blvd., Anaheim, East Classroom

**Important: There is no longer a pre-meeting workshop. See announcement below.
If you have not paid your club dues, this is your last newsletter!**

ALBERT RIVERA BIG BRANCH BENDING



Our June meeting features a new demonstrator for us, Al Rivera. This will be Al's first time at Kofu and I hope you'll all be there to welcome him. He is an active member of Descanso Bonsai Society and San Sui Kai and has been active in bonsai for over 11 years. He collects California junipers and also Rocky Mountain junipers. Al has studied with Roy Nagatoshi the entire time of his bonsai experience and junipers are his favorite material. He will be showing us his technique for bending large branches.

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LAST MEETING WITH WILL BADDELEY

I've had calls, emails and texts from Kofu members telling me how much they enjoyed the carving demonstration by Will Baddeley and several of those people have begun putting what they learned into practice on their trees.

Our live streaming of Will Baddeley's carving demo was viewed 473 times by bonsai enthusiasts around the world. So far almost all of the views of the videos have been outside our local area. This may allay some people's fears that live streaming will cause people to stay home and not participate.

Will enjoyed his time in California very much and I'm pretty sure he'll be back, possibly for a hands-on workshop next time.



THE FUTURE

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

JULY 21, TOM VUONG



AUGUST 18, PEDRO MORALES

TROPICAL BONSAI SPECIALIST

SEPTEMBER 5-9

KOFU KAI ANNUAL EXHIBIT AT THE BOWERS MUSEUM

SET UP DAY IS SEPTEMBER 5

CONTACT MANNY MARTINEZ TO SHOW A TREE

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**SEPTEMBER 15
LINDSAY SHIBA**



OCTOBER 20, KOFU KAI AUCTION!!!

WE'VE ALREADY RECEIVED SOME EXCITING DONATIONS

Harley Newman donated three chuhin and shohin bougainvillea bonsai and Justine Keller donated a white chojubai flowering quince.

Send photos of sexy auction donations to carolupston@icloud.com.

NOVEMBER 17, HARRY TOMLINSON FROM THE UK

DECEMBER 1, KOFU KAI CHRISTMAS PARTY, 12 NOON TO 3 PM

MAMMOTH RAFFLE, POT LUCK

18631 CHURCH LANE, HUNTINGTON BEACH

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SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

LAST CHANCE TO PAY YOUR DUES

MAIL YOUR DUES TO:

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I'd like to thank several people for a special donation made to Kofu Kai; Manny Martinez, Anthony Chiusolo, and Debra Mauzy Melitz with David Melitz. They generously donated funds toward our hiring of a professional photographer, Eric Stoner who has been photographing our annual show at the Bowers Museum. Thank you very much.

Also special thanks to all who've already donated to our annual auction; Justine Keller and Harley Newman.

Pre-meeting Workshop has been cancelled. No one has been showing up and the people who have to be there early don't want to do it anymore so the doors will open for our regular meeting at 6 pm. We need a few people to come at 6 to help set up.

Donations to the raffle and the refreshment table are always welcome. Thank you to all of you who contribute!

May Donors

Raffle: Ev Bassin's Family, Fred Miyahara, Carol Upston, Maryann Tran, Jim Pierce, Dan and Wanda Danesi, Larry and Nina Ragle, Wendy Tsai, Mike Viljak.

Refreshments: Bob and Kim Warner, Justine Keller, Larry and Nina Ragle, Carol Upston, Wendy Tsai, Manny Martinez

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It costs a lot to open our doors each month, close to \$500.00 dollars per meeting to provide the quality bonsai experience offered by Kofu Bonsai Kai. That figure includes rent of the church classroom, storage unit rental, demonstrator's fees, insurance, Christmas party expenses, refreshment expenses, donations to other organizations, professional photography and on and on. Revenues have diminished steadily from the raffles and auction while at the same time, all expenses have been rising.

If you appreciate what we bring to the bonsai community please show it by buying raffle tickets or contributing items to the raffle or stuffing a few bills into the donation jar. We know that money is tight for many members. Even five or ten dollars in raffle tickets helps. If everyone did that the books would begin to balance again.

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