

The Kofu Kai Review

The Monthly Newsletter of the Kofu Bonsai Kai Club



MEETING TIME and PLACE

December 12, 2015, at 12 Noon

St. Wilfred of York Episcopal Church, 18631 Chapel Lane, Huntington Beach

December 12

CHRISTMAS PARTY



Christmas is upon us and on Saturday, December 12th, we will be having our annual Christmas party from 12 noon till about 3:30 pm. As usual the event is potluck, and we ask those attending to bring a favorite dish that will feed about 10 to 12 people. The club will provide the Ham, Turkey, soft drinks, and wine for the event.

This event includes the best raffle of the year, and this one is shaping up to be especially spectacular. Santa's helpers are already out shopping for a wonderful selection of goodies. We also encourage anyone who wishes to donate to the raffle to do so, which will make it just that much better.

Bringing food and donations is not mandatory, and no one should stay away because they can't donate. We hope that all of our members come and join their fellow Bonsai enthusiasts for a wonderful afternoon of food and friendship.

The party is at our usual place:
St. Wilfred of York Episcopal Church
18631 Chapel Lane
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---Carol Upston

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November 21 Demonstration



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FRED MIYAHARA

We thank **Fred Miyahara** for taking the time to drive up from San Diego. Fred gave us a great demonstration on Black Pines. For most of us, working with a black pine is a love/hate relationship. Fortunately, Fred was able to give a nice presentation on basic care and maintenance for our black pines. He went over how to pluck old needles during the fall and also gave us a nice overview on the different varieties of black pines. On the trees that he brought in, he discussed a few of the flaws that he had on his black pines and went over how he was planning on correcting them. He also gave us his recipe for soil mix which could be helpful for many of us since black pines are often prone to root rot.

Overall, Fred's presentation was a great introduction to working with black pines. At the end, we all walked away with a nice quiz to test ourselves on black pines. Hopefully, everybody scored 50 out of 50 on it. If not, the quiz still serves as a great reference for when we're working on our black pines. --Jason Chan



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**Fred Miyahara and
Lucky Raffle Winner
of Fred Miyahara's
Black Pine
GONZALO
RODRIGUEZ**

KOFU BONSAI KAI 2016 CALENDAR



The 2016 Kofu Bonsai Kai Calendar will be available at the Christmas party. The calendar features the members' trees from the 2015 Bowers show. Cost to members will be \$8.00 each.



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

December 26 - **California Aiseki Kai 26th** Anniversary Exhibition of Viewing Stones Show at the Botanical Center of the Huntington Library and Botanical Gardens, 1151 Oxford Road, San Marino, CA, January 3, 2016 10:30-4 each day (Closed New Year's Day). Free parking. For more information go to California Aiseki Kai's website: www.aisekikai.com.

2016 EVENTS

January 16-17 **Baikoen Bonsai Kenkyukai 52nd** Annual Winter Silhouette Show at the Arboretum of Los Angeles County, 301 N. Baldwin Avenue, Santa Anita, from 10 am to 4:30 pm, with demonstration at 1 pm each day. Benefit dinner and auction on Saturday. For more information contact Lindsay Shiba at ljshiba@juno.com or Ken Teh at hanyuls@yahoo.com.

February 5-7 **California Shohin Seminar** at Hotel Mission de Oro, 13070 S. Highway 33, Santa Nella, CA 95322. Registration forms and schedule of events are available at www.calshohin.org or contact Randi Keppeler at 650/598-0127, email: calshohin@yahoo.com.

February 27- **Bonsai-A-Thon XX** annual fundraiser for the GSBF Collection at The Huntington at The Huntington Library and Botanical Gardens, 1151 Oxford Road, San Marino, CA. Admission to the event is free with Bonsai-A-Thon "early bird" registration between 8-9 am. Event hours are 8-4:30 both days. Pancake breakfast, a tour hosted by Jim Folsom (Director of the Gardens), demonstrations, lunch, bonsai exhibits, large sales area, raffle, and auction. Sunday only: A behind-the-scenes tour of The Huntington Bonsai Nursery with Ted Matson. For more information, contact Bill Wawrychuk at (818) 790-9415 or b_wawrychuck@yahoo.com.

April 23-24 **San Diego Bonsai Club** Spring Bonsai Exhibition at the Casa Del Prado, Room 101, Balboa Park, from 10 am to 5 pm both days with demonstrations at 11 am and 1 pm. Free admission. Bonsai pots and trees for sale, as well as other bonsai-related items. For more information, visit www.sandiegobonsai.com.

SPECIAL THANK YOU

November Refreshments:

Bob and Kim Warner, Tish Miya, Dan and Wanda Danesi, Wendy Tsai, and Justine Keller.

Raffle Donors

Manny Martinez, An Truong, Dan and Wanda Danesi, Tak Nakamura, Wendy Tsai, Dave Miles, Mark Levinstein, and John DeLuca.

NO DECEMBER PRE-MEETING WORKSHOP

There will be NO Pre-Meeting Workshop in December.

Take advantage of future Pre-Meeting Workshops. They're FREE and where else can you spend 2 hours happily with your bonsai.