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Newsletter of The Bonsai Society of
Upstate New York



Harvey Carapella Tray Landscapes

After a brief business meeting, Harvey Carapella will present a lecture and demonstration Tray Landscapes.

Harvey Carapella is a professional graphic designer and teacher at the Rochester Institute of Technology as well as past president of our club. For over twenty-five years he has worked to apply his knowledge of design to the art of bonsai and has made presentations to several bonsai conferences.

Tray landscapes are an often overlooked style when it comes to bonsai. Harvey will show us what to think about when designing a Tray Landscape and how to put one together. He will then demonstrate by working on a large personal Tray Landscape and creating a small one.

Harvey's talks are always filled with useful information. This one will be a bit different so you won't want to miss it. The Tray Landscape that Harvey works on will be raffled off at the end of the meeting, so don't forget to bring a little cash.

Visit Our Website

<http://www.bonsai-upstateny.org/>

Election Time

At the March meeting we will be electing new society officers. During the business meeting, the candidates for the offices will be presented and voted on. If anyone has any nominations give one of the nominating committee a call and let them know. Just make sure the person you are nominating knows about it before you call.

Nominating Committee

Joe Galley, Chair	334-9472
Milt Kilpatrick	482-5144
Fran Mahoney	582-1831

Meeting Date

**Tuesday
February 24, 2002**

**Brighton Town Park
Lodge**

7:00PM Meeting

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Rochester, New York
near corner of
Westfall and Clinton

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January Highlights

On January 27th, 25 brave members faced the frozen tundra of Upstate New York to listen to Roy Wixson and Glenn Morton talk about watering systems and phoenix grafts. Considering the weather this was an accomplishment considering both speakers came from the Buffalo area.

Both speakers came well prepared with hand outs and a lot of useful information. Roy talked about how to set up watering systems and went over the pricing of some systems. Then Glenn discussed how to prepare the material to make a phoenix graft, including carving the driftwood and making the tree look natural attached to it.

A Fukien Tea was brought in for the name that tree contest. It must have caught people on a bad day since all were stumped. Well, there's always next month.

April Workshop

April's workshop will feature a bring your own tree workshop, featuring Mr. Yamaji from Japan. If you remember from his previous visits to our club, Mr. Yamaji is one of the top bonsai artists in Japan. He specializes in pine bonsai, but does excellent work in any type of style or material. The workshop will cost \$30, bring your own material. This promises to be a one of a kind workshop that shouldn't be missed. The workshop is limited to 12 people so sign up at the February or March meetings as soon as possible. You can also email Will Hebert to sign up at tanlargo@lycos.com. Remember, payment reserves your spot, so sign up early and don't be disappointed

2004 Programs

Feb. 24	Harvey Carapella, Tray Landscape
Mar. 18-21	GardenScape 2004
Mar. 23	Bill Valavanis, Chinese Quince Demo/Lecture/Workshop
Apr. 19-20	Mr. Yamaji from Japan
May. 15-16	Upstate Bonsai Exhibit Lectures by Arthur Skolnik and David Knittle
June 22	Open Workshop
Aug. 17	Open Workshop

March Workshop

Our March meeting will feature a workshop on Chinese Quince bonsai with Bill Valavanis. The workshop is free, but the cost of the workshop material will be \$40. There will be no repotting, but you will need to bring tools, wire, and a box to work in. If you've taken one of Bills workshops before, you know you always walk away with something special. Sign up at the February meeting, or email Will Hebert to sign up at tanlargo@lycos.com. Remember, payment reserves your spot, so sign up early and don't be disappointed.



Help Needed For GardenScape 2004

GardenScape 2003 will take place at the Dome Arena in Henrietta on March 18 to 21. Our society is again having a double booth display at GardenScape 2004. We need members to help answer questions and provide the public with information on bonsai and our society. Please see Wes Morningstar to schedule your time to help our society spread bonsai information to the public. Tickets for Gardenscape are available from Wes for the discounted price of \$10 (normally \$12). Members are able to get in the show free when working.

Also, we need fine quality flowering bonsai for the show. Please phone Bill Valavanis at 334-2595 (if you can find him) to offer your bonsai for the society display. We will be setting up our display on Tuesday, March 16th at 5 pm and need help. Also, we will be taking down the display on Sunday, March 21st at 5 pm and many hands make light work for everyone. More information about the show can be found at <http://www.rochesterflowershow.com/> Hope to see you there. Please tell your friends.

Surfing The Bonsai Web

The Internet Bonsai Club's interactive galleries have a new look to them. It's made it easier to post pictures and reply to topics. The interactive galleries allow you to look at bonsai from all over the world at one site. People also post pictures of collecting trips and general weather conditions. It's makes for a lot of fun. Check it out.

<http://internetbonsaiclub.org/galleries/>

Walter Pall has also updated his website. Walter has visited our club several times. He is always entertaining, informative and unique. His website now includes a gallery pictures of trees in advanced stages of development and in early stages of development. He has about 100 different pictures of his bonsai in different stages. Take a look.

<http://walter-pall.de/>

Interview With Bill Valavanis

This month Bonsai Today Online features an in depth interview with Bill Valavanis. In this article Bill talks about how he got interested in bonsai, his first workshops, who he trained under and what he feels the future of bonsai will be in the United States and around the world. To read the article, you have to be a subscriber to Bonsai Today Online. If you already subscribe, here is a link to the interview.

<http://www.bonsaitodayonline.com/subscriber/profileswnavalavanis.htm>

If interested in more information on Bonsai Today Online, you can get to their main page here.

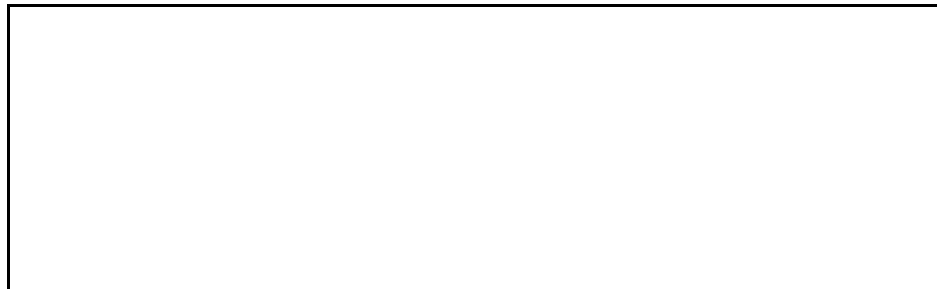
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It's That Time Of Year Again...

I know it's hard to imagine, but in a few short weeks the buds on some of our bonsai will begin to swell. If your bonsai have swollen buds, it might be a good idea to lower the temperature if possible or change location. The longer you delay bud break the better, except when permanent dormancy sets in. If your bonsai are not frozen they will probably require watering. If they are frozen, keep a little clean snow packed around the soil surface. When the air temperature rises, some snow will melt and water the bonsai. With increased daylight fast approaching, additional moisture will be necessary. Indoor bonsai can now be lightly fertilized. Now is a good time to match bonsai with containers for spring transplanting. Conifers are usually planted in unglazed containers to present a quiet feeling. Broadleaf evergreens and deciduous species are generally planted in glazed containers to highlight the seasonal beauty of their flowers or autumn foliage. Unglazed containers come in more than one shade of "common" brown; they can also be found in gray, red and tan. There are many different shades and textures and the end finish can also vary widely, as can prices! Look through books from our extensive library for ideas on containers colors and shapes. Although many bonsai are planted in shallow containers, I prefer deeper pots because of our severe low temperatures. Although it is a bit early to begin transplanting, drastic pruning and wiring can be performed if the bonsai are kept above freezing afterward. A temperature of 35° F is ideal, but 27° - 30° F is fine. Start thinking about spring. It's just around the corner because **it's that time of the year again...**

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Swing Into Spring

MARCH 18 - 21, 2004 • THE DOME CENTER • ROCHESTER, NY

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GREATER ROCHESTER'S FLOWER & GARDEN SHOW

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The Rochester Flower & Garden Show

Complete information at www.RochesterFlowerShow.com

WHERE: The Dome Center, 2695 East Henrietta Road in Henrietta, NY, just outside Rochester, convenient to the NYS Thruway, exit 46.

HOURS: March 18, 19, 20 9:00 AM - 9:00 PM
March 21 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM

HIGHLIGHTS: 'Swing into Spring' is the theme this year. Join us to celebrate the coming of Spring with more than 10,000 daffodils and tulips as well as thousands of perennials and hundreds of blooming shrubs and trees. More than 20 landscaped gardens, 80 vendors and live demonstrations of 'stonewalling' by International experts make this show special. Children can learn and enjoy in the interactive children's garden, designed and constructed by Certified Nursery Professionals.

SEMINARS: Daily, 5 shows, hourly, beginning at 11:00 AM
On Sunday only, beginning at 10:30 AM

HEADLINERS:

Thurs: David Culp, plant hunter, writer, and 'hands on' gardener

Friday: Dan Snow, world famous stonewaller and author

Saturday: Judy Glattstein, international lecturer; author of seven gardening books including her most recent publication, *Consider the Leaf*.

Sunday: Patricia Lanza, author of *Lasagna Gardening*, on the subject of creating a garden without digging or lifting the soil.

TICKETS: Adults \$12
Children 6-12 \$4, Children 5 and under, Free
Show Series \$18
Seniors \$10 on Thursday, March 18, only
Preshow tickets available at *Rochester Civic Garden Center (585) 473 5130*

SHOW INFORMATION: www.RochesterFlowerShow.com or
Bob Kretzer, Manager (585) 265-9018

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