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Newsletter of The Bonsai Society of
Upstate New York



Suthin Sukosolvisit Rock Planting Bonsai Lecture/Demo/Workshop

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After a brief business meeting, Suthin Sukosolvisit will give a lecture and demonstration on the creation of Rock Planting Bonsai.

Suthin Sukosolvisit has been a bonsai artist since 1970. He and his wife, Dararat, opened the Royal Bonsai Garden, Inc. in Stoughton, MA (781-344-6358). His work can be viewed on the internet at www.royalbonsaigarden.com.

Suthin has one of the finest selections of finished and pre-bonsai on the East Coast displayed at his nursery. Being from Thailand, he has extensive experience with tropical bonsai and is also a magician with shohin sized bonsai. He also works extensively with Japanese maples, black pine and root over rock styles and is proficient with many other species.

You won't want to miss this chance to see one of the countries foremost bonsai artists in action. See you there.

Get Your Trees Ready!

It's time for you to start getting your bonsai ready for the club's spring exhibition. Don't forget, this is an exhibit of club members' trees and we would like to get at least one tree from each member! They don't all have to be masterpiece quality, just nicely designed, appropriately potted, neatly groomed and healthy (there is no "dead style" in bonsai). If you need some help with any of this, you can always bring a tree to one of the meetings and get advice from a more experienced member. To submit a tree to the show, you just have to bring it to the show set-up from 5 - 6 PM on May 13th at the Monroe Community Hospital. If you have any questions please call Bill Valavanis (334-2595) or Harvey Carapella (426-6548)

Meeting Date

**Tuesday
April 26, 2005**

**Brighton Town Park
Lodge**

7:00PM Meeting

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In Memory Fred Stanzel

Fred Stanzel passed away in March during Gardenscape. He assisted in the setup all day on Monday and Tuesday and returned back on Thursday with his wife Virginia to see the show. Brenta Sullivan was also there and they had a chance to visit. Fred passed away the next day.

He was a very long time member of our society and was an active participant in workshops, programs and exhibits. He exhibited his lovely bonsai in all our annual exhibitions and also in each of our displays at Gardenscape. For as long as any of us can remember, Fred was our refreshment chairman and served us goodies at each meeting and workshop. Fred went shopping for the food, hauled it in, set it up then would clean up after each meeting. But Fred enjoyed all of it and watched us eat all his goodies (of course Fred nibbled too). Together with Virginia Schreiner, Fred took care of serving us refreshments at our annual exhibitions and always pitched in to help set up and clean up too.

Bonsai was a large part of Fred's life and he enjoyed his vast collection of bonsai which he shared with our members and also his family. Several of Fred's bonsai were displayed at his calling hours at the funeral home. Fred Stanzel contributed a great deal to our society and will be missed.

April Workshop

Bonsai artist, Suthin Sukolosvisit, originally from Thailand, will be our guest speaker for the April meeting and workshop on April 26th.

On Tuesday afternoon, April 26, 2005, Suthin will conduct a special workshop for our members. He will bring an assortment of fine workshop material for sale, including Dwarf Hinoki Cypress, Shimpaku Juniper, Larch and Rough Bark Japanese Maples. These are not miniature bonsai style. The prices for his workshop material will begin at \$40 each. The workshop fee is only \$30 for our members.

Right now, the workshop is filled, but if you would like to be put on a waiting list, call Will Hebert at 256-2492 or emailing him at tanlargo@lycos.com. Remember, a check or cash reserves your spot.

2005 Programs

Apr. 26	Suthin Sukolosvisit Afternoon workshop Evening Lecture and Demo
May. 14-15	Upstate Bonsai Exhibit 2 lectures and demos by Jim Doyle
June 03	Bavarian Caravan Demonstration with Wolfgang Putz
June 25	Oriental Garden Supply Field trip on a Saturday
July 26	Nucitelli Garden Field Trip
Aug. 17	Charles Osterly Garden Tour
Sept. 12	Mr. Mitsuya and Kathy Shaner, BYOB workshop in afternoon Lecture and demo in evening

32nd Annual Upstate New York Bonsai Exhibit

On May 14th and 15th we will be having our annual spring show at the Monroe Community Hospital. This is always our biggest event of the year and our biggest money maker and this year it's extra special. As always, we need lots of help and there's something for everyone to do. Check out the list of committee chairs on the next page. Then, if you still don't know how you want to help, give one of our directors a call and they will be glad to set you up. If you've always wanted to get involved and don't know how, now is the time. Please make sure to sign up with Wes Morningstar at the April meeting to help with security at the show. Show posters will be available to distribute at the meeting.

Tree Labels For Spring Show

If anyone has any new or unusual species of variety of bonsai that they plan to exhibit at the spring show, please contact Iris Cohen about making a nice printed label for it. Names of the species in a saikei are helpful. If there is anything special about the pot or a rock that you would like on the label, this can be done. If you have any questions about the identity of the bonsai, you can ask any knowledgeable member of the bonsai club or call Iris about the correct name. Before, during or after the show, if you have any questions about the labels you can contact Iris at:

Iris Cohen
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Committee Chairs

Directors	Harvey Carapella Bill Valavanis	426-6548 334-2595	Labels	Iris Cohen	315-461-9226
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Printing	Harvey Carapella	426-6548	Members Choice Award	Jim Dolce	247-1527
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Bonsai Placement	Bill Valavanis Milt Kilpatrick	334-2595 202-1959	Hospital	Joe Moore	760-6301
Video Presentation	Peter Waasdorp	461-9847	Set-Up	Entire Membership	
			Clean-Up	Entire Membership	

It's That Time Of The Year Again...

Spring has arrived! Maples and flowering trees are starting to leaf out and bloom. By now, all your outdoor, winter-hardy bonsai should be outside in the full sun. If they are showing small leaves already then it's a good sign that they made it through the winter in good condition. But, it's too early to be sure. Winter damage does not always show up until the really hot weather arrives in June. Be sure to protect bonsai which are in full leaf from sudden cold. The key temperature I look for is 25° F but 30° F is safer. If the temperature threatens to drop below what you feel comfortable with, then move your bonsai indoors for the night, then move them back out the next morning. It's a big job, but it's worth it to save the bonsai. Members have lost some trees when fooled by the weather (and the weathermen) into leaving them out when they should have come in. At this time of year, it is best to just reconcile yourself to a lot of running in and out with trees. By now, my watering is a daily task, usually about 3-4PM. Flowering bonsai require more water than conifers. Bonsai which have been recently transplanted will not require too much water, but do need extra protection from wind and for the first few days, from too much sun. Misting helps newly transplanted bonsai. If deciduous species have not leafed out by the time you transplant, you can put them directly in the full sun, but watch out for wind. Start thinking about fertilizing, but just think for now. I will include some tips on fertilizer next month. The next three to four weeks are the most active and fun for bonsai enthusiast. Ninety percent of my transplanting and new bonsai creations are done now, so I have to go, because, It's that time of the year...

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