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Newsletter of The Bonsai Society of
Upstate New York



34th Annual Spring Show

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On May 19th and 20th we will be having our annual spring show at the Monroe Community Hospital. This will take the place of our normal Tuesday night meeting. Our featured speaker will be a long time friend of our club, Julian Adams.

Julian Adams, proprietor of Adams' Bonsai, has been active in bonsai since receiving a gift bonsai in 1971. Beyond improving his own bonsai skills, Julian's primary interest is to make bonsai plants and supplies conveniently available to bonsai enthusiasts and to spread the word about this great art form. Adams' Bonsai was formed in 1984 to facilitate this interest. Julian writes extensively about bonsai via articles for English language bonsai publications and the Central Virginia Bonsai Society newsletter.

Julian will be giving two lectures. Both talks will be at 2:00PM. Saturday's will concentrate on bonsai for the beginner and Sunday will focus on advanced techniques. Come help, enjoy and learn at our annual show and meeting this May.

Don't Forget, the spring show takes the place of our regular Tuesday meeting. Try to participate in the show somehow. Submit a tree, sell raffle tickets, work security. There are many jobs to be done. If you don't know what you can do, ask. Remember, many hands make light work!

We need your trees!

Please make sure to bring your cleaned and prepared bonsai to the Monroe community Hospital on Friday, May 18th at 5-6PM for our show. Set up will be completed by 8PM. The trees do not have to be masterpieces but should look nice. We also will need help to set up the exhibition and during the exhibit. For more information call Bill Valavanis (334-2595) or Harvey Carapella (426-6548)

Meeting Date

**Saturday and Sunday
May 19-20, 2007**

**Monroe Community
Hospital**

2:00PM Demonstration

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Anniversary Celebration Dinner and Auction

There is still time to make reservations for our dinner and auction on Saturday evening. Some very fine auction items have been donated and you won't want to miss your opportunity to add them to your collection. Members are also reminded that donations are still being accepted for auction items. This is a major fundraising event of the year. We have not made a profit in producing our annual exhibition in several years and here is an opportunity where we can change that. After the show closes on Saturday at 5pm we will have a small reception during which Julian Adams and Bill Valavanis will be presenting a critique of selected bonsai from the exhibit. After a delicious dinner we will proceed to the auction. These events are only open to members and friends who pay the \$20 fee. So if you would like to attend these

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activities it is necessary to make reservations with Ron Maggio (872-0382)

At the show Jerome Cushman's haiku group will be reading a selection of haiku to the left of the stage. The haiku have been carefully selected to reflect the theme of our show. This should be a first for bonsai exhibitions. Also, please remember that we are having a "kids corner" designated to display the bonsai from our younger members.

April Highlights

After the business meeting over 60 members attended Bill Valavanis' presentation on Forest Bonsai. He also included information on deciduous conifers since Dawn Redwoods were used for the demo and workshop. Bill then proceeded to create a Dawn Redwood forest to demonstrate the techniques used for this style. Ten members then proceeded to create their own forests with the assistance from Bill.

