

BONSAI SOCIETY OF THE CAROLINAS

May 2019 Newsletter



May Meeting Information:

Wiring & Styling

Saturday, May 18, 10 - 12
79276 Ridgehaven Rd
Lancaster, SC 29720
by Gene Martin

BSC President Carl Maxwell has invited everyone to his place for a wiring and styling session. Plug the address into your phone or favorite GPS device and join us on Saturday.

Bring your own tools and trees to work on. Carl will also have trees available for you to wire.

The BSC Executive Board will probably meet after the May meeting. Members are always welcome to attend Board Meetings.

2019 At A Glance

Jan 12 – “Dog Tree” Swap & Wiring Workshop

Feb 9 – Collecting Trees

Mar 9 – Canceled

Apr 13 – Bonsai 101 Workshop

May 18 – Wiring & Styling

June 8 – Picnic & Auction

June 28-30 – US National Shohin

Bonsai Exhibition

July 12-14 Member Show @ DSBG

July 13 – Arthur Joura Demo

Aug 10 – Bonsai 101 Workshop?

Sept 14 – Styling Workshop

Oct 5 – Expo Tree Selection & Prep

Oct 12-13 – Bonsai Expo, Asheville

Nov 9 – Master Demo & Workshop

Dec 7-8 – Winter Silhouette Show

Dec 14 – Holiday Party

April Meeting Recap

Bonsai 101 New Members

by Gene Martin

The April meeting was an introduction to bonsai workshop for 8 new or recently new members. Participants were Kristina Kolodziej, Bill Kipp, Urmil Mehta, Kalin Ko, Shawn Gilmore, Hjollyn Mudge, Max Hofmann and Dana Norem. When you see them, please welcome them to the BSC.

Many thanks to Brad Russell for hosting, teaching the class and arranging the training plants. Many thanks also to BSC Members Mike Brawley, Rob Klibenski, Mark Suson, Jeanne Anderson and Hubert Duprez!



Half the 101 students.



The other half plus a couple of mentors.

Other News

A recent article in The Charlotte Observer describes some recent research on a stand of bald cypress trees in The Three Sisters Swamp, along the Black River in southeastern North Carolina. One of the trees was determined to be at least 2,624 years old! The University of Arkansas professor who led the study believes some of the other trees' age may exceed 3,000 years. The Observer article is [here](#).

The Annual Member Bonsai Show will be held at Daniel Stowe Botanical Gardens July 12-14. Mark your calendars, select the trees you want to display and plan to spend some time that weekend answering questions about trees-in-pots.

Bill Valavanis' 2nd US National Shohin Bonsai Exhibition will be June 28-30 in Kannapolis. Additional details for that event can be found at www.internationalbonsai.com.

President's Corner

By Carl Maxwell

No news from President Carl this month. Watch this space in the June Newsletter for updates on the remainder of meetings this year.

June Meeting Preview

by Gene Martin

The June meeting will be the Annual Member Picnic and Auction (two events). It will also be at President Carl's place. Details for the Auction will be in the June Newsletter.

Raffle Reminder

The May meeting **WILL** include a Raffle – bring your Raffle items and a few bucks for tickets. Thanks for your support!!

Dues Reminder

2019 BSC Membership dues are due. \$50. Bring a check to the next meeting or mail it to Treasurer John Farrell.

Executive Board of the Bonsai Society of the Carolinas

President – Carl Maxwell
Vice President – open

Treasurer – John Farrell
Secretary – Jeanne Anderson
Past President – Bob Hampel (in lieu of Tammy's
move to Chicago)
Show Chairman – Brad Russell
Newsletter Editor – Gene Martin

BSC Meeting Information

Monthly meetings are held at the McMillan Greenhouse on the campus of UNCC unless otherwise noted. Directions and parking information can be found on the [BSC website](#).

The BSC Newsletter is compiled and created monthly by Gene Martin. Contributions and feedback are welcome. Please email submissions or comments to BonsaiSocietyCarolinas@gmail.com by the 20th of each month for publication in the following newsletter.
