



YAMATO BONSAI KAI

“FRIENDSHIP THROUGH BONSAI”

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Web Site: <http://www.yamatobonsai.org>

Newsletter – August 2016



MESSAGE FROM THE BOARD

By Tony Hayworth

Hello Yamato Bonsai Club Members.

General Club Business

Membership Status

Current roster count is 55 members (53 paid, 2 Honorary status). While some Clubs have recently increased their Dues, Yamato has remained constant at 45 dollars, for over 10 years.

Refreshments – The monthly list for providing refreshments at the Club meeting still has open slots for 2016. Please sign up by contacting Sandy Barron and or let the NL editor know your preference.

Fall Show and Exhibition – in this month's newsletter there are many details about the Fall Show. Please carefully review the enclosed detail and seek out the show chairman or any of the committee leaders for clarification of detail or to volunteer your services.

Annual Winter/Holiday Party – for the last couple of years, we have held our annual holiday party in early January. This

allows us to attend to all family, and other hustle and bustle of December, without yet

another item on the list. Mark your calendars for Saturday January 7th 2017. Details to follow in a future newsletter.

2016 CLUB PROGRAMS

Mark your Calendars now – our 45th Annual Fall Show will be held on the third weekend of October -15th & 16th.

Reminder – All Club members are needed for support for coming Club functions throughout the year.

EJCC Landscape Cleanup Days

- Saturday December 3rd, 8AM to Noon

AT THE NEXT CLUB MEETING...

On Tuesday, **July 19th** Sensei Uchida will perform a demonstration.

Upcoming meetings:

July 19th

August 16th

September 20th

Note: All Club Meetings start at 7:30 PM.

Yamato Bonsai Kai

45th Annual

Bonsai Exhibition & Demonstration

Saturday, October 15, 2016 Noon to 6:00PM

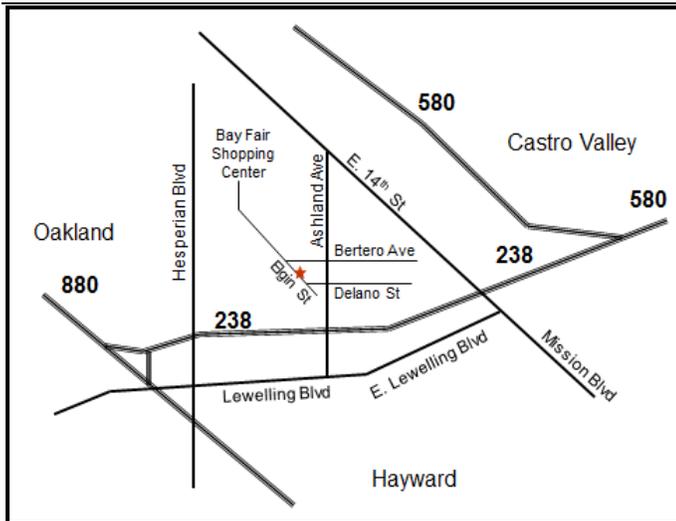
Sunday, October 16, 2016 10:00AM to 5:00PM

Southern Alameda County Buddhist Church

**32975 Alvarado-Niles Road
Union City, CA**

*Demonstrations beginning each day at 1:30
PM by Johnny Uchida, with Mike
Baker and Tony Hayworth*

YAMATO BONSAI CLUB MEETING LOCATION



Yamato Bonsai Kai monthly meetings are held at the Eden Japanese Community Center, on the 3rd Tuesday of each month, from 7:30PM.

Location Address: 710 Elgin Street San Lorenzo. CA.



SENSEI UCHIDA'S NOTES

By Johnny Uchida

Dear Member. How are you doing? We have about 2 months until our annual Fall Show, it's right around the corner. Have you selected your tree(s) for the event? I want every member to have at least one tree in the show. A couple of trees is good for the longer time members. The show is for everyone. It's our 45th show this year. It is amazing.

If you are not sure if your tree is ready for the Show, stop by my nursery and we can have a look together or bring it to the next Club meeting. There are only 2 more club meeting until the Show. The October meeting will be after the show, so make sure you can get out to one or both of the next Club meeting.

The Board tells me we are up to 55 members now. I would like to see more members come to the monthly club meetings. We need everyone to participate as a member in monthly events and other events during the year. Thank you.

I see you at next meeting.



2016 GSBF CONVENTION

Don't forget the **GSBF 2016** Convention this year in Sacramento. It is just a hop, skip and a jump for us here in Northern California. Please think seriously about attending this event as there is always so much going on and oh so very much to learn. See you there.

See the "Calendar of Events" section of this newsletter for more details.

**Golden State Bonsai Federation
Convention 39**
October 26 - 30, 2016, at the DoubleTree by Hilton, Sacramento, CA

HEADLINES

Ryan and Bjorn are two of our most respected and recognizable bonsai talents. They are welcomed everywhere as they travel to share their knowledge and unique bonsai insights. Our event on Thursday evening, *Bonsai with the Masters*, will be a once in a lifetime opportunity to see them working side by side. It is certain to be a better experience that you will not forget.
- Scott Chaff

GUEST ARTISTS
Kathy Skaner, David Nijay, Ted Matsun, Kenji Miyata, Tom Ellis, Peter Yau, Bob Skerren, Tak Shinazu, Aki Ikeda, Hideto Abetani, Pauline Mull, Frank Mihalek, Yuko Gerson, Sam Adams, Darren Wong, Ron Anderson, Jan Cruz, Steve Price, Lucy Sakaiishi Judd, James Depisch, Gus Lynn Gortler

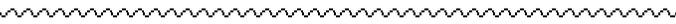
MEMBER CONTRIBUTION FORUM



Our bonsai club has purchased a trailer for storage of our Exhibition paraphernalia and this has depleted our treasury. If you are financially able, or if your employer is able, to give a monetary contribution to the Club, this is 100% tax deductible.

We are also in need of contributions to the Silent Raffle at the Annual Exhibition. These are also a tax deduction. Please donate nice trees that you'd like to get, not something diseased that you want to get rid of.

Thank you for your generosity.



BONSAI TIP:

Vice President
Mike Butler

I know this article will bring up a lot of controversy. That is one of the reasons I have enclosed a Blog from Michael Hagedorn on this subject. This is not a new theory. I have heard the idea for a couple of years. I have taught it since I was lucky enough to start teaching again. Jim Gremel was the first person that told me about trimming not pinching Junipers. He's been doing it for years and look at his Junipers!

I have talked to other club members who feel that this is not that important or makes no difference on their trees.

I am not writing this to tell you that your way is wrong it is to make everyone stop and think about their trees. Especially the ones you have lost or are getting weaker the more you work on them.

I am not saying that if you had a tree die that pinching was the cause. Over-watering, under watering, transplanting at the wrong time, pruning to many roots or too much or too little fertilizer will all weaken and kill trees.

This process of trimming instead of pinching seems to work for me. Some pinching is ok. Just be careful!!

I hope you enjoy the article.

Never Pinch Junipers!

By Michael Hagedorn

August 26, 2012 by crataegus

Basically, we don't pinch junipers. We cut new long extensions with scissors...and I know that will raise some eyebrows. I think the idea of pinching junipers with fingers started long ago in translated Japanese articles written by those who did not specialize in or have much experience in junipers. And then we bought into the idea of pinching because it seemed like a way to have fun with our junipers. But pinching, especially over-pinching where every growing tip is removed, has been killing junipers for decades.

There's a lot of misinformation out there about junipers. For starters, needle and scale junipers are maintained totally differently. It's essential to know what you've got so you can train it properly. This really needs to be addressed. There are far too many weakened and dead junipers out there because of a misunderstanding of how we handle their growth—in fact, I doubt I'm far off from suggesting that 'pinching' is the number one killer of juniper bonsai.

Junipers build energy from their tips. If we don't let them grow we're going to weaken them—and the more finger pinching we do, the more they weaken. That goes for both scale and needle junipers. But please take a look at these photos and read the captions--



This Kishu shimpaku has no need of any kind of foliage restraint. Its growth is so slow and contained that it barely changes in size in one year's time. Eventually the tree will outgrow itself and then some longer branches will need to be removed, and shorter ones will replace them.



This juniper is also a scale juniper like the Kishu above, and it has two strong shoots that have started to grow beyond the foliage pad. Unless you want a longer branch, basic juniper maintenance is to take your scissors and cut off these two extensions. **Nothing else needs removal.** If we pinched the remaining slowly growing tips, the tree would panic and weaken. Always leave many growing tips on scale junipers—you can cut shoots off, but don't touch the tips of those shoots that remain. Read that again. And the selective strong shoot removal is only done a couple times a year, no more. Now we'll talk about needle junipers, which is totally different.



This is a needle juniper, *Juniperus rigida*. We treat Foemina the same way. Unlike the scale junipers, the needle junipers will create long shoots from every growing tip, not just a couple. We need to let **all the tips** grow out on these trees to **at least** this long. Longer is often better to develop the energy of the tree. Then we come in, usually in early summer, with scissors and cut almost the entire new shoot off. On refined trees you're maybe leaving 1/16" or a bit more—That's it! I know it's shocking, but a tree growing in good soil with lots of roots and strong shoot growth over the entire tree will burst out with many more shoots. Then you get great ramification. If you let the tree grow out like this as you should, there is literally no way you'd be able to do it with fingers, by pinching. The shoot is partially hardened off by then. Both kinds of junipers need sharp scissors, but the growth habits of the two are totally different. Just identify which you have, and apply the appropriate technique and your junipers will flourish. One tip: the needle junipers love water and fertilizer. In the spring they can use as much water as a maple.

ABOUT THE YAMATO BONSAI CLUB

The Yamato Bonsai Club has a long and distinguished history in the Bay Area. In 1968,

the club was founded with six members including its first Sensei, Mr. Jimmy Inadomi from the Castro Valley area. Its second sensei was Mr. Juzaburo Furuzawa. Since 1976, the Yamato Bonsai Club has been under the guidance of Sensei John Uchida of Hayward.

The Yamato Bonsai Club meets each month at the Eden Japanese Community Center, in San Lorenzo, on the third Tuesday at 07:30 PM.

REFRESHMENTS

The club will have coffee at each meeting. We ask for member volunteers to supply the treats. Below is the list for this year with open positions. Please contact Sandy Barron or Tony Hayworth to add your name to the list. The club would like a minimum of 3 volunteers each month to bring goodies and snacks of some kind. Thank you.

<p>January</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mike Glenda • Donna Eoff • Diana Wong 	<p>May</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Emiko Rosenberg • open • open 	<p>September</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Karen Paulos • open • open
<p>February</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Carol Campbell • Gerry Bundy 	<p>June</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • open • open • open 	<p>October</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Carol Campbell • open • open
<p>March</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Howard Correa • Brad Sheldon 	<p>July</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • open • open • open 	<p>November</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dennis Hacker • open • open
<p>April</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gerry Bundy • Carol Campbell • open 	<p>August</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • open • open • open 	<p>December</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sandy Barron • open • open

CELEBRATIONS THIS MONTH:

A very **Happy Birthday** to:

- Mike Baker August 2nd
- Allen Hightower August 2nd
- Valerie Ross August 6th
- RuWing Chen August 8th

A **Happy Anniversary** to:

- Allan Shurtleff August 8th



YAMATO FALL SHOW – UPDATE

By Mike Butler & Tony Hayworth

In this newsletter we will detail the show setup and flow for the Saturday and Sunday events.

Schedule

Friday

Attention to Tree Detail – your tree(s) are ready for the show. Perform any last minute adjustments to the shape of your tree. Do your final prep to clean and oil your pot. Check your topsoil dressing or moss.

Remember to bring your “dai” (display stand) for your trees. Bring any accent plants if you have any.

Last Water – At your home, water very early on Friday. We cannot have trees arrive on Saturday that are leaking water onto our paper table covers. If you water on Saturday morning, please leave your tree at home. ☺

Saturday

Setup – Setup for the show starts on Saturday morning 15 October at 06:30 AM. We would like to ask for a nice turnout for the setup event. We will get going in earnest by **07:00 AM** for sure, so let’s strive to be there and in place and going strong by this time. If you can’t make the early start, please arrive as your time permits.

We must get the tables set up to the layout specification with backdrops in place and the tables dressed and topped by 9:30AM.

Tree Arrival – Have your tree at the event hall by 9:30 AM. Trees arriving after 10PM may not get placed. If you need special consideration, please contact Tony Hayworth before Friday 14 October.

Make sure your dai’s are marked underneath with your name.

Tree Setup & Placement – we will start this action around 9:30 to 9:45AM.

CONTACT US

If you need to mail anything to the club in general, please send to:

**YAMATO BONSAI KAI
P. O. Box 770
Union City, CA 94587-0770**

If there is anything you would like to contribute or comment on regarding the newsletter, contact Dennis Hacker at: anmleyez@comcast.net

If you have moved, or changed your email address, please notify Yamato Bonsai Kai, so that we may update our contact and mailing list information. Thank you.

BOARD MEETINGS

The Club’s Board meetings are held via Skype. The next board meeting will be determined later. If you have any business for the Board, please let a Board member know in advance.

YAMATO BONSAI KAI – 2016 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

President	Tony Hayworth	510-289-5731
Vice President	Mike Butler	510-917-3592
Secretary	Dennis Hacker	510-685-7273
Treasurer	Dave Barron	510-456-6799
Director 2015/16	Karen Paulos	510-410-5782
Director 2016/17	Casey Campbell	925-827-9681
Advisor	Jack Ellis	925-455-5429

Front Desk – Carol and Casey Campbell will run this area. PLEASE see either of them and volunteer some of your time each day to help run the front entry tables.

We need a minimum of 2 persons available at all times to provide support and logistics for the front door, including: Monitor front door entry; give greetings and directions; encourage ticket sales; performs ticket sales; provides literature as necessary on Club and School activities; be security conscious.

On Saturday, general admission **will not begin until 12 Noon** (or until Show Chairman says so).

Yamato Plant Sales – Again this year Raleigh Wills will run the plant sales area with plenty of help from other club members. See Raleigh to help and signup beforehand.

We need a core team of helpers and a schedule for manning the tables each day. Need at least three persons at all times.

This year again we are requesting control for the arrival of items for Yamato Plant Sales. Do not bring in items before all the tables are setup. Items for Plant Sales are to remain outside until after 09:00AM.

All items must be checked in, directly with the plant sales staff, with attached tags and inventory sheet.

Final Tree Placement – our target is to complete setup and refinement of the display areas by 11:30 AM. We'll need to stick to task and the Show Chairman may be prodding on last minute details and assignments.

Event Opens –to the Public at Noon Saturday. Saturday lunch can begin once the Show Chairman declares the event open.

Lunch window – Lunch window is from 12 to 1PM. Yamato will provide a simple lunch service. Items from generous members are always welcome. If you are not physically helping with the setup, we request that you help with Saturday lunch, with donations or by bringing food that you have pre-coordinated with the kitchen team. Club members, Vendors and special invited guests only (not an open to the public event)

Demo – begins at 1:30PM. Raffle follows demo.

Closing – Saturday closing is at 6PM.

Sunday

Event Opens – to the Public at 10AM. Front desk needs to be in place by 09:30.

Hospitality (Kitchen & Serving Room) – Please prepare and bring a donation dish, for Sunday. A variety of food is needed. See Sandy if you are not sure what to bring and they can fill you in on need areas or ideas. Financial donations are acceptable if your time constraints don't allow you to prepare something each day.

If you still are not signed up to bring anything, and still want to help, please call Sandy Barron and coordinate a dish or food area that needs help. (510-456-6683)

Lunch window – Lunch window is from 12 to 1PM.

Demo – begins at 1:30PM. Raffle follows demo.

Closing – Sunday closing is at 5PM.

Breakdown – begins AFTER closing.



CHECK LIST... THINGS TO DO!

- Volunteer for a committee
- Signup for a food dish – for Sunday Lunch!!
- Review your tree with Sensei – sometime before show
- Prepare/clean your pots and redo your top-soil
- Have a dai (a stand) for each tree you bring
- Saturday Setup – Come as early as you can – pitch in

- All trees to Setup Event by 10 AM on Saturday
- Prepare and bring a food dish for Sunday by 11AM (*or make cash contribution to Hospitality Chairperson beforehand*)
- Attend each day (as much as you can) and wear your Yamato colors (hapi coat, prior event shirts, Pins, etc.)
- Bring your camera / have fun
- Sunday breakdown – begins AFTER 5:00PM. Be prepared to pick up your trees and other belongings.
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Fall Show & Exhibition Committee

Committee	Who
Show Chairperson(s) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Overall coordinator for the Fall Show & Exhibition • Hall Arrangements • Transportation Management (storage & tree pickup/return) • Setup and Take Down 	Mike Butler; Tony Hayworth Dave & Howard
Vendors <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Vendor Arrangement & Relationships • Contact and secure Vendors wishing to participate 	Dennis Hacker
Advertising <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Create an Advertising Strategy and execute it 	Tony Hayworth;
Show, Room, Table Design & Layout	Mike Baker; T. Hayworth
Front Desk Provides for “Front Door” logistics. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • greeting, literature handouts • tickets – for demo tree and consolation prize • tickets – for “tin can” raffle 	Carol Campbell; Casey Campbell

Committee	Who
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • security 	
Hospitality Plan and run the Yamato kitchen and hospitably room. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • kitchen & serving room • signup sheet begin at the August meeting; 	Sandy
Yamato Plant Sales Setup and run the annual Yamato Plant Sales event. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Need a core team of helpers and a schedule for manning the tables each day • Need at least three persons active in this area at all times 	Raleigh W
Demo <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • plans trees for demonstration each day of show • conducts the demo at the show 	Johnny Uchida
Dr. Bonsai <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • provide a general bonsai help desk • organize the support functions for this event at the annual exhibition 	Dennis Hacker
“Tin Can” Raffle Procurement & Execution <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • pre-organize & solicit materials • organize and or collect materials • Item set up & administration at Show 	Mike Butler
Consolation Prize <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • organize consolation prizes for give-a-way after demo each day 	Mike Butler

Consolidation Prize – If you have a small tree or bonsai item you would like to donate as a consolation prize, please bring it on Saturday during the setup. Please mark it accordingly and inform Karen Paulos or Mike Butler.

Raffle – If you would like to donate any nice items to help the club raise funds, this is an

excellent time to do so. See committee chairperson Mike Butler or co-chair Karen Paulos if you would like to donate this year.

If you can support us in either or both of these ways, we thank you!!

Bonsai Event Location

**Southern Alameda County
Buddhist Church (SACBC)**
32975 Alvarado Niles Road
Union City, CA 94587

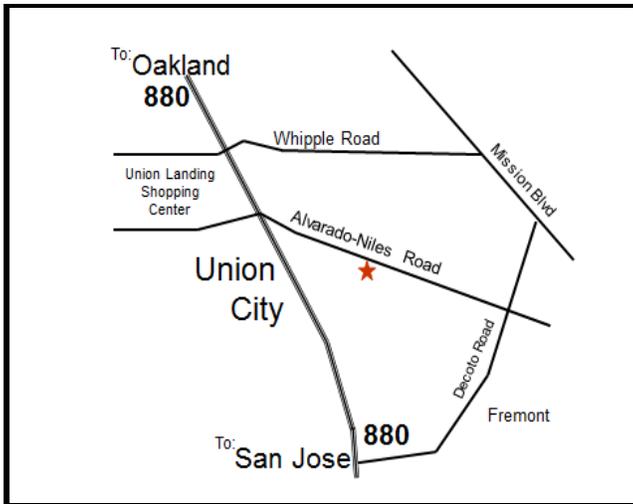
Located off I-880, just south of Hayward and north of Fremont.

From Oakland:

Take I-880 south towards San Jose
Take Alvarado-Niles Road Exit
Turn left onto Alvarado-Niles Road
Church will be on the right side

From San Jose:

Take I-880 north towards Oakland/SF
Take Alvarado-Niles Road Exit
Turn right onto Alvarado-Niles Road
Church will be on the right side



Key Reminders – Fall Show & Exhibition

- **Event Dates** are 15 & 16 October, 2015
- **Setup** begins at 07:00 AM (in earnest) on the 15th.
- **Show Trees** – Need to be at the Hall no later than 10AM for exhibition setup consideration.

- **Committee Support** – Everyone needs to help and be on committee(s). See a committee chairperson at the show, to see what you can do to help.
- **Hospitality** – Club members are expected to help by bringing food or providing cash donations. If you have not signed up for a food group, and still need to participate, call Sandy Barron for advice.
- **Yamato Plant Sales** – This activity supports you and the Club. Club members are invited to bring in trees, and other bonsai related items, for sale. Member/owner get 80 percent of the sale; the club general fund receives 20 percent.

General Information for 2016

1. No admission fee or cover charge at the door.
2. Grand Prize raffle tickets will not be pre-printed. Will use “roll tickets” sold at the door (and sold before & during the demo events).
 - a) Need not be present to win **IF** name and phone number are clearly visible on back of ticket.
 - b) If customer not present, one phone call attempt will be made to number on the back of ticket. If no answer, a new ticket will be drawn.
 - c) All rules will be printed nicely and displayed ALL OVER the front desk area.
 - d) There will be **NO DRAMA** with tickets, ticket colors, and ticket activities at the Front Desk.
3. Exhibition will open at noon on Saturday. No evening dinner or demo on Saturday night.
4. We will have lunch on Saturday and Sunday.
5. Demo will be at 1:30PM each afternoon.
6. We will close at 6PM on Saturday and 5PM on Sunday.
7. We will try a “Doctor Bonsai” support desk again this year. Dennis Hacker is chairperson this year.
8. No silent auction. Will use a “raffle bucket” ticket drawing approach instead. No distinction on the

tickets. Customers will purchase tickets and either put them in the raffle buckets or into the big hopper for the demo prize(s).

9. Will limit the "Consolidation Prize" give-a-ways to a manageable number of items that MUST be of good quality. Club members that can, should start now to make something for this topic.
10. Reminder - Plant sales and vendor sales will be prohibited prior to Exhibition set-up being finished.

11. Have purchase 4 trees to be transformed into Raffle Prizes, two each day.

Ticket Sale Values

As a reminder, Tickets for Grand Prize demonstration tree or raffle items will be valued as follows:

\$1	= 1 ticket
\$5	= 7 tickets
\$10	= 20 tickets
\$20	= 50 tickets



GSBF CALENDAR OF EVENTS

For a complete list, please refer to the Golden State Bonsai Federation **Calendar of Events** at: <http://www.gsbf-bonsai.org/events/> or go to the Kai's website: <http://www.yamatobonsai.org>

August 16, 2016 San Rafael, CA

Marin Bonsai Club: Marin Bonsai Club: Annual Bonsai Auction to be held at the Corporate Center, 750 Lindero Street. Preview starts at 6:45 PM with the auction commencing at 7:30 PM. Bonsai pots, stands, pre-bonsai, tools and other related items to be auctioned, and there will be a Sales Area and refreshments. Payment by cash or check with local ID and phone number. Any non-MBC parties wishing to sell items at the auction are encouraged to contact us through our website at marinbonsai.org for more information.

August 20 – 21, 2016 Santa Rosa, CA

this year's show in addition to club members. Additional information about Nisei Week can be found at: www.niseiweek.org

Redwood Empire Bonsai Society

(REBS): 33rd Annual show at the Santa Rosa Veterans Memorial Building, 1351 Maple Avenue. Show hours are 10 AM to 5 PM on Saturday and 10 AM to 4 PM on Sunday with demonstration by Bonsai Master Artist Kathy Shaner from 1 to 3 PM both days. Demo trees will be raffled. See the largest bonsai exhibition. Large bonsai vendor and member sales. Exciting silent auctions or "buy it now". Free refreshments by the Bonsai café. Free admission and parking. For more information visit our website www.rebsbonsai.org or contact Bob Shimon at (707) 884-4126 or shimon@mcn.org.

August 20 – 21, 2016 Los Angeles, California

Nan Pu Kai: 27th Annual Show during Nisei Week at Japanese American Community Cultural Center, 224 S. San Pedro Street (Little Tokyo). Show hours are 10 AM to 5 PM both days. The Nisei Week festival celebrates many Japanese Cultural Arts, including ceramics, dolls, Taiko, clothing, painting, calligraphy, Samurai arts, and Ikebana in addition to Bonsai. John Naka's club will host several special guest exhibitors from the Bay Area, Capitol Area and Central Coast of California at

September 17, 2016 Placerville, California

Gold Country Bonsai Club: 2nd Annual Show at Rainbow Orchards, 2569 Larsen

Drive, Camino, the lovely Apple Hill destination at El Dorado County, known for its apple cider doughnuts. Show hours are 10 AM – 4 PM with Bonsai Clinic to be held by club members. Renowned bonsai trees and suiseki by renowned member collectors will be exhibited. For more information, contact Scott Chadd at (530) 622-9681 or scottchadd@lotusbonsai.com, or check their website at www.goldcountrybonsaiclub.com.

September 24 – 25, 2016, Penryn,

California Sierra Bonsai Club: Annual Show at the Placer Buddhist Church, 3192 Boyington Road, in conjunction with the 52nd Annual Food Bazaar. Show hours are 11 AM – 5 PM Saturday and 11 AM – 4 PM Sunday. Bonsai demonstration will be held in the temple both days, along with other cultural events throughout the day. It is a yearly celebration for the whole family to enjoy. For more information, contact Lucy Sakaishi-Judd (916) 300-8103

September 24 – 25, 2016 San Diego,

California San Diego Bonsai Club: Fall Bonsai Exhibition at the Casa del Prado, Room 101, Balboa Park. Show hours are 10 AM – 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.sandiegobonsaiclub.com or contact Janice Hale.

September 29 - October. 2, 2016 Santa Ana,

California Kofu Bonsai Kai: 2016 Bonsai Fest at the Bowers Museum "The Bonsai Tradition: Cultural Arts of Japan" - John M. Lee Court, 2002 N. Main St., Daily 10 AM - 4 PM, Featuring bonsai trees of the members of Kofu Bonsai Kai and demonstration by Takuo Nakamura on Saturday, October 1 from 1 to 3 PM. Free to Bowers Museum members or with paid museum admission. Further details will be posted on the Bowers Museum Website: <http://www.bowers.org/and> Kofu Bonsai Kai: KofuKai.org

October 1, 2016 Cupertino, CA

Midori Bonsai Club: 55th Annual Show at the

Quinlan Community Center, 10185 N. Stelling Rd, near Stevens Creek Blvd and De Anza College. Hours 10 AM - 5 PM, with demonstration by Peter Tea at 1 PM and demonstration tree raffled off. Sales area will include vendors, members' trees, pots, and other related bonsai items. Beginner's workshop from 10 AM - 1 PM, create your own bonsai. Bring in your bonsai tree for advice from Dr. Bonsai. Cookies, Tea, and coffee provided for all in attendance with plenty of free parking available. For more information, contact Jack Christiansen at (408) 280-7539 or jackchristiansen@sbcglobal.net

October 1 – 2, 2016 Thousand Oaks, CA

Conejo Valley Bonsai Society: 13th Annual Bonsai Exhibition at the Resource Center at the Gardens of the World, 2001 Thousand Oak Blvd; Hours are 9 AM – 4 PM both days with demonstrations in the Bandstand at 11 AM and 2 PM. Free Admission. No sale of bonsai related items. For information, call Marj Branson at 805-373-1330 or visit our web site at www.cvbs-bonsai.org.

October 8 – 9, 2016 Oakland, California

East Bay Bonsai Society: Annual show held at the Lakeside Garden Center at 666 Bellevue Ave. Show hours are 10 AM to 5 PM Saturday and 11 AM to 4 PM Sunday with demonstration and raffle from 1 to 3:30 PM on Sunday. Free admission and show will feature over 50 trees of various varieties and ages. For more information contact us at ebbs@eastbaybonsai.org

October 15-16, 2016 Union City, CA Yamato Bonsai Kai Annual Exhibition.

**October 27-30, 2016 Sacramento,
CA Golden State Bonsai**

**Federation Convention 39 “A
Bonsai Convergence: Gather At The Rivers”
Convention.** Headliners: Ryan Neil and Bjorn
Bjornholm. More Workshops and Seminars
from: Kathy Shaner, David Nguy, Peter
Tea, and others. Where: The Double Tree By
Hilton 2001 Point West Way, Sacramento, CA
95815. Hotel phone: 916-924-4900 (*ask for the
“GSBF Group Rate”*) For more information,
contact: Scott Chadd, GSBF President at: 530-
622-9681 or scottchadd@lotusbonsai.com. On-
line registration opens on July 1, 2016 Click
here: <http://www.gsbconvention.org>

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**February 19 - 20, 2017 Oakland, California
GSBF Bonsai Garden at Lake Merritt:** The
annual Mammoth Auction and Sale Fund
Raiser will be held at 666 Bellevue Ave.
(Garden Center Building). Saturday: Auction
preview at noon with Auction starting at 1 PM.
Sunday: Vendor Sales start at 9 AM, Plant
Sales start at 10 AM, and demonstrations at 1
PM. The date for this year’s event is a week
earlier than in the past to let attendees and
vendors participate in both the Mammoth and
the Bonsai-a-Thon. You are encouraged to
submit your bonsai for consideration to be
included in the Mammoth Auction as soon as
possible. Items will be considered on a first-
come-first-considered basis. The Bonsai
Garden will be open 10 AM to 4 PM on
Saturday and Noon to 4 PM on Sunday, so you
can check out the many changes that have
been made this year. For more information or
to sell trees, email
bonsailakemerritt@gmail.com and visit
www.gsb-lakemerritt.org.

**Feb. 25 – 26, 2017 San Marino, California
Bonsai-A-Thon XXI at the Huntington
Library and Botanical Gardens,** 1151 Oxford
Road. This is the annual fundraiser for the
GSBF Collection at The Huntington. Event
admission is free with Bonsai-A-Thon “early
bird” registration between 8 AM -9 AM. Event

hours are 8 AM - 4:30 PM both days. Pancake
breakfast, demonstrations, lunch, bonsai
exhibits, large sales area, raffle and auction.
For more information visit
www.gsbfhuntington.com

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YAMATO BONSAI KAI — MEMBERSHIP REQUEST FORM —

Membership Request Instructions

Enter appropriate information in the provided
form. Return this request form and payment in
person to the club Treasurer at the next club
meeting or return by mail to:

Yamato Bonsai Kai

P.O. Box 770

Union City, CA 94587-0770

To continue your membership and to receive
the newsletter uninterrupted, please respond
with this membership request form by 28
March.

Annual Membership: \$45 (same household)

Email = Required for Newsletter distribution

*Address, Phone = is only required on New
Requests or if you have changed your details
in the last year

**= Birthday & Anniversary = Optional. Used
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