



The Bent Twig

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THE AMERICAN BONSAI ASSOCIATION, SACRAMENTO

ABAS meets monthly 7 PM the 4th Tuesday - Shepard Garden & Arts Center in McKinley Park
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Next ABAS Meeting: Tuesday, April 22nd: 7 PM

Our April meeting will feature our past and our present President. Paul Holtzen will style a juniper and Dino Pappademos will style a deciduous tree. Both men will be working with fairly nice stock and the improved trees will be raffled at the end of the evening. Doc Ward will be commentating and taking questions from the audience for himself and the demonstrators.

ABAS SPRING SHOW HIGHLIGHTS

Shows are a way for us to share our appreciation of bonsai with the public and to spend time with one another. It also provides a venue for members to sell trees and purchase items from vendors.

A special thanks to Paul Holtzen for chairing the show and to those in the member sales area, kitchen crew, those who set-up and took down the displays, watched trees, the door, and ran the raffle!

You are awesome.



Kathy Shaner with the lucky winner of Saturday's raffle.
To see more photos of the show <http://www.abasbonsai.org>



Kathy provided two critiques for interested club members.



Tom Schaal posing proudly with his Shimpaku juniper.

March Meeting

Mike and Linda delighted ABAS members and our guests with a fabulous spread that included hot food! Thank you Mike & Linda!

We are grateful to our refreshment team of Mike, Linda, Doug and Patti for providing ABAS with a magical mix of special snacks and for creating a welcoming atmosphere ripe for social interaction and shared learning.



2014 Bonsai Events

TUES: APR 22nd

ABAS CLUB MEETING

Paul Holtzen will style a juniper and Dino

Pappademos will style a deciduous tree. Both men will be working with fairly nice stock and the improved trees will be raffled at the end of the evening.

SAT & SUN: MAY 3rd & 4th

Sacramento Bonsai Club's 68th Annual Show

Sacramento Buddhist Church

SAT & SUN: MAY 17th & 18th

Satsuki Aikokai Azalea Show
Shepard Garden & Arts Center

SAT: JUNE 14th

ABAS HOME TOUR - Save the date. We will caravan to Members homes and enjoy a picnic lunch at Steve Egan's home, our last stop.

TUES: JUNE 24th

ABAS CLUB LUAU

TUES: JULY 22nd

ABAS CLUB MEETING

Kathy Shaner will be conducting a daytime workshop for members who sign up to attend. That evening at our 7 PM meeting she will style a tree for raffle.

TUES: AUG 26th

ABAS CLUB MEETING

Bob Bugay will introduce ABAS members to his Tree Improvement Program which became a popular event for the Midori Club. *details to come*

ABAS HOME TOUR

The popular ABAS Home Tour has been scheduled for Saturday, June 14th from 8:30AM-1PM. To help you recall the date, just remember it's the day before Father's Day.

We will caravan to the homes of Don Casselman, Clarence Smith, Chris Hartung, and Steve Egan. Steve's yard will be our final stop where he will host a light lunch that ABAS will contribute toward.

Going on the tour is a good way to get to know people in the club and see what how other members are enjoying their bonsai.

Steve will provide more details in an email and at our May meeting. In the meantime, please plan to join us.

You can sign up to attend at a meeting or email Steve at: egan.stephen.j@gmail.com
We need a headcount so we can manage traffic flow to our members homes and have a sense of how much food to prepare.

Attend! You'll love it.

ABAS ELECTIONS



Elections take place at our Luau Meeting in June.

If you want to learn more about particular duties and would consider

serving on the ABAS Board, please talk with our Election Chair, Tom Schaal (*pictured above*) at the next meeting or call him at (916) 922-5599

Here's a list of board positions. The Past President is the only one that isn't open to the election process.

President:

Past President: Paul Holtzen

Vice President:

Treasurer:

Recording Secretary:

Correspondence Secretary:

Three Members at Large:

NEWSLETTER EDITOR

The June 2014 issue of *The Bent Twig* will be my last. If you have an interest in taking it on please let Dino know. frdino@frontiernet.net

If no one volunteers to be the editor, ABAS may cease publishing a separate club newsletter, especially since the ABAS website is a beautiful and functional communication tool.

<http://www.abasbonsai.org>

Thank you, Kathleen O'Donnell