



The Bent Twig

A Monthly ABAS Publication - August, 2013

THE AMERICAN BONSAI ASSOCIATION, SACRAMENTO

ABAS meets monthly 7 PM the 4th Tuesday - Shepard Garden & Arts Center in McKinley Park
3330 McKinley Blvd. - Sacramento, CA 95816 For more information visit the ABAS website at: <http://www.abasbonsai.org>

The California Garden Project - A Fundraiser Plant Sale -

September 7 from 9 am to 3 pm and
September 8 from 10 am to 3 pm at
3837 Pasadena Ave., Sacramento.

The project, whose mission is to create a
public garden in Sacramento, expects to
sell bonsai and other plant material.
Master Gardeners will be on hand to
answer questions.

Visit their website

www.thecaliforniagarden.org)

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*Hideko
Metaxas
shown
lecturing at
The Clark
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Hideko Metaxas

Aesthetics of Bonsai Display

On **Tuesday, August 27th at 7PM** ABAS members and their guests will be treated to a very special evening with professor and former GSBF President, **Hideko Metaxas**. You really won't want to miss this event!

We pay a lot of attention to styling our trees and prepping them for show, but few people actually understand, or can so well explain, the aesthetics to consider when aiming to optimally display bonsai. Hideko Metaxas will help demystify the relationship of our bonsai to the stand and other possible elements such as a scroll, accent plant or figurine. A unified display can create a story meant to intrigue and engage, both the artist creating the display, and the casual observer alike.

Hideko Metaxas is a remarkable artist and teacher, respected for her knowledge and achievements in the arts of Ikebana, Bonsai, Suiseki and Tokonoma display. With her characteristic enthusiasm, energy and humor she has been a source of inspiration worldwide through personal appearances and publications. In 2004 she received the prestigious Green and White Award from Japan's Agricultural Society in recognition of 30 years of dedication to horticultural arts. The Golden State Bonsai Federation (GSBF) awarded her its President's Award for distinguished service in 1996. You are in for a treat!

In addition, this beautiful hand-crafted stand by Jerry Braswell will be raffled!



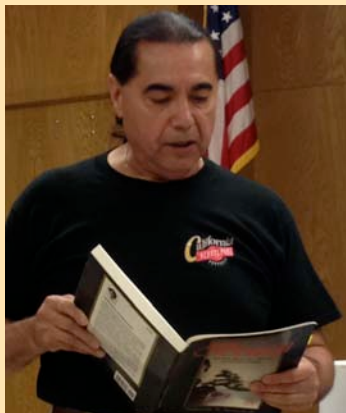
Club Workshop with a free 9AM Study Group Option

Saturday, August 31st, I hope you will take advantage of the opportunity to join fellow ABAS members at Maruyama's Nursery for some workshop time with your trees. Members that would like some guidance should arrive around 8:45 AM for a short study-group lecture by Maruyama-san beginning at 9 AM. **Those wishing to work independently on their own trees should arrive around 10 AM.** All participants are encouraged to bring at least two trees, tools and supplies. The next session will be held on Saturday, Sept 28th.



Note: The Maruyama's had a deep understanding of plant biology before moving to Sacramento in 1976. Yuzo Maruyama specialized in tropical plant agriculture at the University of Education in Tokyo. Yuzo's wife, Mitsuko, majored in horticulture, specializing in native Japanese plants at Kesen Agricultural College on Kyushu. Together they run Maruyama Bonsai Nursery and host many club events and worthwhile classes at their nursery. If you come for the 9 AM study group session on Saturday the 31st, you will not be disappointed!

Thank you John Cota



If you missed John Cota in July, then you missed out on his unique bonsai lecture and an outstanding array of raffle prizes!

August Show & Tell:

To go with our evening's theme, you are invited to bring accents used in display of bonsai: figurines, scrolls, companion plants, stones.

August Refreshments:

Renee Seely, Dino, Ann Harris



Where and when we meet!

January through November ABAS meets at 7 PM on the 4th Tuesday of each month at the Shepard Garden and Arts Center located in McKinley Park at 3330 McKinley Blvd. Sacramento, CA 95816. Each December we hold our annual Holiday Party on an off-meeting night to avoid over-booking your Christmas week.

Our September Annual Club Auction.

Arrive early. Bids start at 6:30 PM if you want a seller's number, talk with Renee Seely at our next meeting or email: breadcrust@comcast.net More detail on our website <http://www.abasbonsai.org>

More 2013 Events

SAT & SUN, AUG 24-25

Redwood Empire Bonsai Show
Veteran's Hall • Santa Rosa, CA

TUESDAY, AUGUST 27

ABAS monthly meeting 7 PM
Hideko Metaxas: Principles of Displaying Bonsai

SATURDAY, AUGUST 31

Club Workshop meet at
Maruyama's Bonsai Nursery
8:45AM - Noon

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 24

ABAS Annual Club Auction
Sellers deliver trees at 5:30 PM
Buyer viewing begins at 6:00 PM
Auction begins at 6:30PM

SATURDAY, SEPT 28

Club Workshop (repot/style)
Maruyama's Bonsai Nursery
8:30AM - Noon

SAT & SUN, OCTOBER 5-6

Garden Center Annual Sale
Shepard Garden & Art Center

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 22

ABAS monthly meeting 7 PM
Bob Hilvers: Guest Lecturer

THURSDAY - SUNDAY

OCT 31 - NOV 3 Burbank, CA
GSBF Convention XXXVI

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER, 26

ABAS monthly meeting 7 PM
ABAS Member Panel: Pine

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 19

Annual ABAS Holiday Party
Potluck Dinner. See Kitty

Will you win this diaza at our Tuesday, August 27th meeting?

