



THE BENT TWIG

A monthly newsletter of the American Bonsai Association of Sacramento
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ABAS Meeting Tuesday, October 28th The Board has decided to change the format for this meeting to a triple tree demonstration put on by John, Dino and Doc. Each will be working on a separate tree and all will be raffled after the demonstration. The trees previously selected by members at the August Meeting for the workshop will be brought in for Show and Tell.

On Tuesday, November 25th the meeting will showcase a Pine Demonstration put on by our own Roger Steele. Whatever you need to know, or ever thought you needed to know, about pines will be covered at this comprehensive event.

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ABAS Auction at our last meeting Tuesday, September 23rd was a huge success for sellers, bidders and the Club. The quality of the trees offered for sale continues to improve and the bidding was lively. Thank you to all our volunteers that work hard for the Club for this annual event.



Upcoming events: Please refer to our website for more details

<http://abasbonsai.org/index.html>

Saturday October 4: Midori of San Jose, 53rd Annual Show

Saturday/Sunday October 4th & 5th: Garden Center Fall Sale

Tuesday October 28th: ABAS Meeting, Demonstration Trifecta!

Thurs-Sunday 10/30 to 11/2: GSBF Convention, Double Tree Hotel, Sacramento

Tuesday November 25, ABAS Meeting, Fall Pine Maintenance

Wednesday December 10, Holiday Party

ABAS Spring Show Saturday April 11 & Sunday April 12, 2015

Spring Show Headliner Dan Robinson

Here are some quotes about Dan from the “Art of Bonsai” Webpage.

Dan's personal bonsai collection numbers more than 200, and are significant for their quality and age. His work is also represented in numerous public and private collections, including the American Bonsai Collection at the National Arboretum in Washington D.C. The National Forest Service purchased a Robinson collected bonsai, dubbed as a gift to America in 1978. It was presented during the 100th Anniversary of the Forest Service as the National Bonsai Tree.

In 1978 Frank Okimura, the curator for the Brooklyn Botanical Garden, watched Dan create a cascade from a monumental upright Ponderosa Pine. He quietly said "Dan is the Picasso of Bonsai". It is an apt description for an inventive artist who is unafraid to challenge accepted traditions.

Some of Dan's work:



This will surely be a show not to be missed.