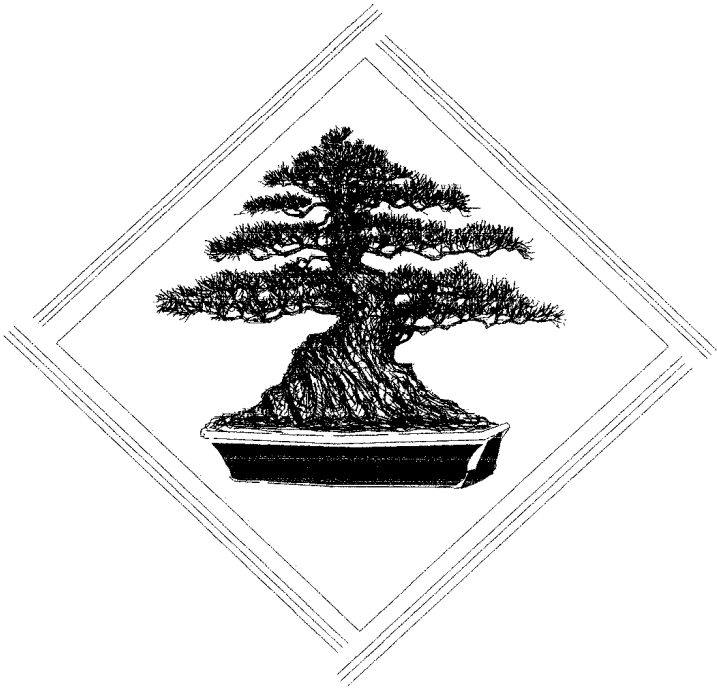


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## *Dai Ichí Bonsai Kai*



*“Serenity Through Bonsai”*

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## About Our Club

*Dai Ichi Bonsai Kai* ("Number One" Bonsai Club) was established in January, 1986 and takes great pride in its family-oriented character. Our club is dedicated to promoting the art of bonsai. The club meets on the third Friday of each month at the Ken Nakaoka Community Center, 1670 W. 162nd St., Gardena, at 7:00 P.M.. Each meeting features a bonsai demonstration, benefit drawing and is open to the public. Our annual bonsai show is held on the first weekend in May at the Nakaoka Community Center. Other club activities include: bonsai digs, annual auction, potting parties, and outings to nurseries and private gardens.

### 2011 Dai Ichi Bonsai Kai Board

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## ***January 2011 Meeting -***

**Friday January 21, 2011 7:00 P.M.**

### **President's Demonstration**

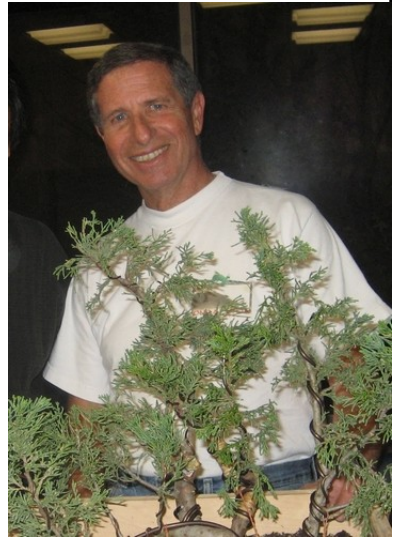
#### **Herb Eisenberg**

Herb will be exploring a less frequently seen bonsai style, sometimes called root on rock or slab planting. The style gets its name from the fact that trees are planted on a flat stone surface containing a thin layer of bonsai soil. It has the potential to be a learning experience for everyone, most significantly the demonstrator.

Our President, has been a member of Dai Ichi for 13 years and served on the Board of Directors in a variety of positions including: Librarian, Show Chair, Newsletter Editor and 1st Vice President. Herb is a member of several other clubs in the South Bay and continues to study bonsai in formal classes and workshops.

Beyond working on his bonsai and filling this newsletter with pithy and insightful articles, Herb is a person of many diverse interests. He is also a self-taught dentist and semi professional tap dancer.

When not torturing little trees, he may be found wreaking havoc in the ocean on his surf board or taking long rides on his touring bike with his wife, Judy.



## **President's Message**

by Herb Eisenberg

It's raining again and my bonsai seem to really enjoy the pristine water. The absence of alkalines and other naturally occurring minerals, in addition to fluorides and various human added chemicals, appears to agree with trees. It's like spraying with HB101, only it's free. I'm even trying to save some of the water in rain buckets to use when "heavens sprinkler system" finally shuts off.

Winter has been a good time to carefully look at my deciduous trees (chinese elms, ginkos, maples and liquid ambars). Since they are now leafless, they are easy to prune to correct crossing, heavy and unnecessary branches.

I'm also getting ready to do my final dormant spray of the winter. I'll give everything a good coat of Volck oil and Malathion. I just got a new sprayer with pretty good pressure (45psi), so I can get inside and underneath the foliage where the pests and disease like to hide. I'll even coat my benches.

The first bonsai show of the season is coming this month. The Baikoen Winter Silhouettes show will be held at the L. A. County Arboretum Saturday and Sunday January 15th and 16th from 10:00 A.M. to 4:30 P.M. It's one of the most interesting and beautiful shows of the year. Don't miss it.

Happy Bonsai,

Herb

# Dai Ichi Bonsai Kai 2011 Calendar

Several excellent programs have already been arranged for this year and more are being planned.

<p><b>January 21st</b> <u>Herb Eisenberg</u> (Root on Slab)</p>	<p><b>July 10th</b> <b>Club Picnic</b> (Bring a tree)</p>
<p><b>February 18th</b>  TBD</p>	<p><b>August 19th</b>  <u>Interactive Demo</u> (Club Members)</p>
<p><b>March 18th</b>  TBD</p>	<p><b>September 16th</b>  TBD</p>
<p><b>April 15th</b>  TBD</p>	<p><b>October 21st</b>  <b>Club Auction</b></p>
<p><b>May 7th &amp; 8th</b> <u>Frank Goya</u> Show (Saikai)  <b>May 20th</b> Meeting</p>	<p><b>November 18th</b>  TBD</p>
<p><b>June 17th</b>  <u>Ted Matson</u></p>	<p><b>December</b>  <b>No Meeting</b></p>

## **New Members**

Please remember that new members bring new ideas, new energy and reflect on the strength of our club.

We should all make an extra effort to bring new members to Dai Ichi, perhaps a neighbor, a friend or someone who has admired our bonsai collection would be interested. If you bring a new member, both you and they will receive 15 free raffle tickets for the nightly benefit drawing.

## **Refreshments**

### **January**

Tom & Apinya Culton

John Van de Wouw

Judy & George Unrine



*It's not too early to select your tree now!!*



*Dai Ichi Bonsai Kai*

25<sup>th</sup> Annual

Bonsai Exhibit

*Serenity Through Bonsai*

May 7 & 8, 2011

Ken Nakaoka Community Center  
1670 W. 162<sup>nd</sup> St., Gardena

The tree is stripped,  
All color, fragrance gone,  
Yet already on the bough,  
Uncaring spring !

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For more information  
and to see photos in color visit us on the web at:  
<http://daiichi-bonsai.com>



THE GSBF COLLECTION AT THE HUNTINGTON

Presents

# Bonsai-A-Thon XV

Saturday & Sunday, February 26<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup>, 2011  
7:30AM – 4:30PM

We invite everyone – bonsai novices, enthusiasts and experts – to our annual fundraising event on behalf of the Golden State Bonsai Federation Collection at the Huntington. Find us at The Botanical Gardens' Botanical Center Building, 1151 Oxford Road, San Marino, California.

## Featuring

**Extensive Bazaar Area** – Select vendors displaying top-quality tools, pots and trees (raw material to display-ready)

**Bonsai Exhibit:** Selected bonsai from Dai Ichi Bonsai Kai members' collections

**Special *Shohin* Exhibit** – Presented by the members of Ko Yu Kai. Bonsai examples up to about 8 inches tall

**Demonstrations** – Initial training and advanced styling by experts

**Daily Raffle & Auction** – Demonstration and donated trees, pots, tools...

**Guided Tours** – Led by Jim Folsom, Director of the Huntington Botanical Gardens, at 10:00AM each day

- GSBF Bonsai Collection at the Huntington
- Proposed expansion of the Japanese Garden



## SATURDAY AND SUNDAY SCHEDULE

7:30 AM – 9:30 AM	Pancake Breakfast <sup>1</sup>
8:00 AM – 5:00 PM	Bazaar and Bonsai Exhibits
10:00 AM – 11:30 AM	Jim Folsom tour of the GSBF Bonsai Collection at the Huntington
11:00 AM – 3:00 PM	Demonstrations <sup>2</sup>
11:30 AM – 1:30 PM	Hotdogs and Hamburgers Lunch <sup>1</sup>
2:00 PM – 3:00 PM	ONLY ON SUNDAY: Larry Ragle PowerPoint presentation: “ John Naka – The Ultimate Artist”
3:00 PM – 4:30 PM	Raffle and live auction

1. Registered Bonsai-A-Thon attendees may purchase breakfast and lunch in the Head House west of the Conservatory building.
2. Initial styling and advanced refinement demonstrations by:

### Saturday...

- Harry Hirao
- Mel Ikeda
- Cesareo Perez
- Kathy Benson  
Cheryl Manning

### Sunday...

- David Nguy
- Marcus Juniel
- Ray Blasingame
- Ken Teh

NOTE: Bonsai styled by these experts will be available in the auctions and raffles. This is your chance to own a tree with a pedigree!

# **Bonsai-A-Thon XIV 2010**

Fundraiser For

## **THE GSBF COLLECTION AT THE HUNTINGTON**

Saturday, February 27th & Sunday, February 28th

### **HOW TO GET IN**

Attending the Bonsai-A-Thon is free, but does require registration at the Botanic Center. You can speed the process by filling in the “ticket” at the bottom and showing it to the Bonsai-A-Thon registrar or the Huntington security guard.



**Feb 26<sup>th</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup>  
2010**

**Bonsai-A-Thon Participant**

Name:

**If you haven't already renewed your Dai Ichi  
Membership please take a moment to do it now!!**

***Dai Ichi Bonsai Kai***

**Membership Form**

**Mail membership form with your check (payable to *Dai Ichi Bonsai Kai*) to:**

**Dai Ichi Bonsai Kai Membership**

**9615 Arkansas Street**

**Bellflower, CA 90706**

Individual \$15.00/year     Family \$25.00/year     New Member

Renewal                       Replacement badge needed

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_                      E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

I heard about the club (circle one):

Daily Breeze

Gardena Valley News

Website

Other

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*Club Meeting Friday January 21, 2010* **President's Demonstration**

*Club Meeting Friday February 18, 2010*

*Club Meeting Friday March 18, 2010*