

The Gazette

Official Publication of

Dai Ichí Bonsai Kai



“Serenity Through Bonsai”

August 2013
Volume 28, Issue 08

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.

Website—<http://www.daiichibonsaikai.wordpress.com>

2013 Dai Ichi Bonsai Kai Board

President	Doyle Saito 310.539.9265 doylesaito@yahoo.com
1 st Vice President	John Van de Wouw
2 nd Vice President/Fundraising	OPEN
Treasurer	Carl Crouse crlbrdly@yahoo.com
Recording Secretary/Historian	Judy Unrine JudyysGarden01@gmail.com
Corresponding Secretary	Carol Browne
Program Chair	John Van de Wouw
Co-Show Chairs	Tom Culton/Peter Macasieb
Membership	Carl Crouse
Librarian	Jim Morris
Website Chair	Scott Pogolian
Benefit Drawing Chair	Scott Pogolian
Newsletter	CJ Harmatz cjharmatz@verizon.net 714-514-5117
Hospitality	OPEN

Co-Founder/Sensei

Leila Kusumi (310) 327 0216

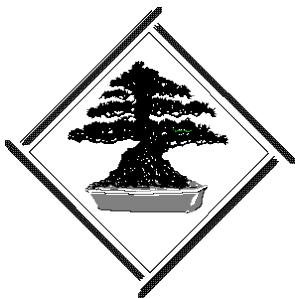
Meeting for Friday

August 16th 2013 At 7:00pm

Membership Workshop

Our annual August workshop is scheduled for August 16, 2013. Don't miss our annual membership workshop meeting. The club will provide various trees for members to style, which will be placed in the nights raffle. You can also bring your own bonsai material and get helpful suggestions on creating a masterpiece. Alternatively, watch and offer suggestions as experienced Dai Ichi members work on a variety of trees.

Please bring tools, wire, soil, pots and anything you may need to prune a tree.



Photos from last year's members workshop

President's Message

August brings us our annual Dai Ichi Bonsai Kai club round robin workshop. We have trees donated to the club that will be used as demo material for members. If you are interested in donating a tree to be styled, or would like to bring a tree to work on, August is the month. Bring your tools, some wire, and get ready to style and prune your new creation. All donated trees will be entered into the raffle.

Dai Ichi Bonsai Kai is in need for some additional board members, the positions we have open are the following; 2nd Vice President Fundraising, Corresponding Secretary, and Hospitality. If you are interested in any of the open board positions or any of the existing board positions please contact CJ Harmatz or Doyle Saito for more information.

Bonsai Tip from Jim Tatsukawa – August 1993: Dai Ichi Newsletter

It is now full summer season; most bonsai have reached their maximum growth for this year. Watch for wiring that is cutting into the tree during the past couple of months. It is very important that the trees are periodically rotated to insure even growth. If possible create micro climate for the different species. Conifer is able to withstand full sun whereas Azaleas, Maples, and Ume do better when grown in filtered sunlight. Although the weather in So. California has been rather temperate during the past couple of months, there will be some very hot and dry days in August and September. Water each bonsai separately as different species require varied amounts of water. A “shot” of high phosphate fertilizer at this time will encourage more fruit and flowers during the coming year.

Thank you.
Doyle

Dai Ichi Gratitude

Dai Ichi Bonsai Kai will be conducting a bonsai workshop at the JCI. Attendees will get instruction on using special cultivation techniques to produce their own bonsai to take home and continue the cultivation process.

Bonsai Workshop

September 21, 2013

9:30 AM - 12:00 PM

JCI Nisei Veterans Hall

Cost for event is \$20 per person (tree and instruction)

We need as many Dai Ichi Members as possible to help teach for this workshop. Please volunteer for this community partnership with Japanese Community Institute to share your skill and passion for Bonsai. Contact Doyle as soon as possible so we know how many students we can accommodate.



Refreshments

August - Neil Nguyen,

Leila Kusumi

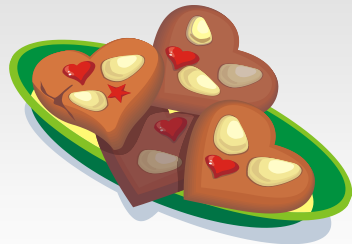
September— Scott Pogosian

October— Doyle Saito,

Neil Nguyen

November— Leila Kusumi

Please help out by
volunteering to bring
refreshments!



Lindsay Shiba Workshop



Tom worked on Hollywood Juniper. He had nothing special to do that day and wanted to help the club fill the spaces. This was his first time working with Lindsay.



Mark worked on a Juniper. He took the workshop for some more instruction and hands on experience and to enjoy not having to go to work that day.





Barry worked on a Firethorn *Pyracantha Santa Cruz*. Being new to Bonsai, he took the workshop for hands on learning and to take in a lot of new information



Jason worked on a Clump Olive. He finds it neat to work with some of the experts and this was his first time learning from Lindsay. With lots to learn, he enjoys hearing different points of view.





John worked on Junipers that were originally Lindsay's demo trees. Lindsay is a great Bonsai Instructor and John wanted to see what direction Lindsay would suggest taking them. John arranged for the workshop and hopes more people will take advantage of the club sponsored workshops.



Doyle worked on a Procumbis Nana. Being the President of the club, he took the workshop to be supportive of the group and to feed snacks to everyone. He takes such good care of us. This was his first time working with Lindsay





Carol worked on a Prostrata. She looked forward to learning from a humorous and interesting Lindsay with his practical Bonsai experience in a full service Nursery. Carol came to the workshop to have fun, fun and more fun with friends that understand the passion for Bonsai.



EK worked on a Boxwood that she won in a raffle. EK can't get enough of Bonsai. She has been working with Ted Matson and looked forward to her first time working with Lindsay.



Thanks Lindsay. The workshop was a great success because of your superb training and knowledge of Bonsai. Everyone including the observers learner a lot. It would be great to have even more members participate the next time a workshop is scheduled.



Bonsai Artist Studio:

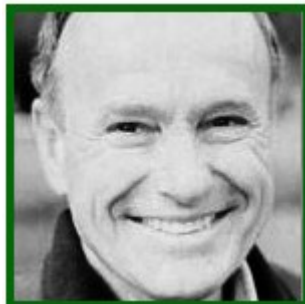
OUTSIDE THE BOX



GSBF CONVENTION XXXVI

OCTOBER 31 - NOVEMBER 3, 2013

HEADLINERS



David Degroot



Suthin Sukosolvisit



Peter Warren

WORKSHOP LEADERS

[Jim Barrett — Foemina Juniper](#)

[Ann Erb — Accent Plants](#)

[Mel Ikeda — Shohin Juniper Procumbens Nana](#)

[Cheryl Manning — Mature Boxwood w/ Carving](#)

[Frank Mihalic — Bonsai Jewelry Making](#)

[Pauline Muth — Land and Water Penjing](#)

[Al Nelson — Kingsville Boxwood Saikei](#)

[David Nguy — California Juniper](#)

[Steve Price — Chinese Quince](#)

[Tak Shimazu — Itoigawa Shimpaku Juniper](#)

[Mauro Stemberger — Live Oaks](#)

[Steve Valentine — Old Juniper Procumbens Nana](#)

[Gay Lynn Goetzke — Bonsai Basics](#)

[The Los Angeles Marriott Burbank](#)

[Airport, Hotel and Convention](#)

[Center](#), 2500 North Hollywood

Way, Burbank, CA 91505. Our room

rate for the Convention is \$99.00

plus taxes, and parking is \$5.00

per day.

Full Admission \$259 "Early Bird"
Registration began July 1, 2013 and
runs thru August 15th.

**[Register](#) today to reserve your
events!** After 8/15, \$289

**Workshop priority will be first
come, first serve. (cost varies)**

**California Juniper Collecting Trip
with Harry Hirao 10/30/13 for \$75**

EVENTS

[Special Guest Artist — Mauro Stemberger](#)

["Style With the Master" Event](#)

[Halloween Party/Hollywood Bus Tour](#)

[Kiri Bako Seminar — Sean Smith](#)

["How Bonsai are Judged" — Kathy Shaner](#)

[Wiring Seminar/Workshop — John Doig](#)

[Soils Seminar — Ryan Nichols](#)

[Chrysanthemum Stones Seminar — Dr. Tom Elias](#)

Coming Events

August 17-18, 2013: Los Angeles, California

Nampu Kai Bonsai Show: during the Nisei Week Japanese Festival from 10am to 5pm at the Japanese American Cultural Center, 244 S. San Pedro St., LA

August 24-25, 2013: Santa Ana, California

Satsuki Bonsai Society: Bonsai Show at the Full Moon Festival Chua Boa Quang Temple, 713 N. Newhope St. Hours 10 am—5 pm. Demonstration at 10 am with David Nguy and 1pm with Ben Oki. For more info, call 323-842-6188.

September 10-15, 2013: Santa Ana, California

Kofu Bonsai Kai: Bonsai and Viewing Stones: The Living Sculpture at the Bowers Museum Show, 2002 N. Main St from 10am—4pm. Club members will explain the art of bonsai. Admission \$8.

September 21, 2013: Gardena, California

Dai Ichi Bonsai Kai will conduct a **Bonsai workshop for the Japanese Community Institute.** Hours: 9:30 AM - 12:00 PM in the JCI Nisei Veterans Hall. Dai Ichi Club Members, contact Doyle to volunteer as instructors.

October 5-6, 2013: Thousand Oaks, California

Conejo Valley Bonsai Society: 10th Annual Bonsai Exhibition at the Resource Center, Gardens of the World, 2001 Thousand Oak Blvd. Hours 9 AM – 4 PM both days. Demonstrations in the Bandstand at 11 AM Saturday and 2 PM Sunday. Free Admission. No sales of bonsai related items. For information, call Marj Branson at 805-373-1330 or visit club web site www.cvbs-bonsai.org.

October 31—November 3, 2013: Burbank, CA

GSBF Convention: Bonsai Artist Studio: Outside the Box—Expect the unexpected. Marriott LA Burbank Airport. Headliners: David De Groot, Suthin Sukosolvisit and Peter Warren. Details at www.gsbfcconvention.org. Early Bird Registration now open .



Dai Ichi Bonsai Kai is a proud member of the Golden State Bonsai Federation
<http://www.gsbf-bonsai.org/>

Dai Ichi Bonsai Kai Gazette



Dai Ichi Bonsai Kai
22720 Eastwood St
Torrance, CA 90505

Club Meeting Friday August 16, 2013 — Member Workshop

Club Meeting Friday September 20, 2013 — Harry Hirao

Club Meeting Friday October 18, 2013 - Club Auction