

Brandywine Bonsai Society

Promoting the art and horticulture of bonsai since 1967

Repotting with George Saturday, April 27, 2024, 10:00 am Longwood Garden Headhouse

Cookie Person: Rebecca Stewart

Repotting

For several years, our members have requested a meeting dedicated to the repotting of our trees. We have never had the ability to do this in the Brandywine Town Center because of the logistics of keeping their facility clean.

Now that we will be at Longwood Gardens (see directions below), we can work in a facility that is set-up for repotting. Our April program will start with a 20-minute overview of the repotting of a bonsai tree by George. At the conclusion of his program, we will be able to repot one or more of our own trees. You will need to bring your own tree(s), pot(s), tools, and bonsai mix. The BBS will provide wire to tie your trees into their pots and wire in screening.

Plants that we are not allowed to bring into LG facilities:

- 1) Any cultivar of boxwood
- 2) Any cultivar of chrysanthemum

Thoroughly inspect any tree you bring to the meeting for signs of disease or insects. Only healthy, pest-free trees may be brought.



Address: 1010 East Baltimore Pike, Chadds Ford, PA

April Giveaway

Since this month's program revolves around repotting, our April giveaway is a new Japanese forest pot.

2024 Brandywine Bonsai Schedule

April 27: Repotting. Interaction with George W (LG HH)
May 18: Marco Invernizzi Demonstration (Marc Huf's)
June 15: Wiring Workshop, Karen Harkaway (TBD)
July 20: Club Auction and Lunch (ABN Park)
August 17: Open Workshop (ABN Park)
September 21: Scrolls and Screens (TBD)
October 19: TBD
November 16: Business Meeting and Garage Sale (TBD)

BTC = Brandywine Town Center, Wilmington, DE

ABN Park = Anson B Nixon Park, Kennett, PA

Mark Huf's = Huf Landscaping, Oxford, PA

LG HH = Longwood Gardens Headhouse

TBD= to be determined

Other Bonsai Events of Interest

Mid-Atlantic Bonsai Societies Symposium,
April 19-21, 2024 in Grantville, PA

Nature's Way Open House & Sale (Jim Doyle),
April 21, 2024 12 noon to 4 pm after MABS closes

Potomac Bonsai Association Festival, May 10-12, 2024,
National Bonsai and Penjing Museum, Washington, DC

American Bonsai Societies (ABS) Learning Seminars,
May 9-12, 2024 in Grand Rapids, Michigan

May 18, 2024. Nature's Way Bonsai 51st Anniversary,
David Easterbrook will be the guest artist

Purple Pot Society

In the last couple of years there has been a lot of discussion concerning women in bonsai. If you have ever wondered about this topic or wanted to play a role in it, there is now an organization for you – Purple Pot Society (<https://www.purplepotsociety.org>).

Crown Custom Bonsai:

Since this month we are focusing on repotting, CCB will have a selection of small and medium pots, wire, repotting tools (e.g. screens, root rakes, root hooks, scissors), mycorrhizae, and bonsai mix for sale.

The mycorrhizae that is sold by CCB is a mix of seven different preps coming from seven different commercial sources. Each prep contains several different species of mycorrhizae. There has been some discussion in the mycorrhizae world concerning some species of mycorrhizae that are detrimental to some plants. My mix does not contain any of these species. Also, my mix no longer contains mycorrhizae harvested from the "wild" from this area since I cannot control what I will gather.

Free Classified Ads: We are still carrying your classified ads in the newsletter for free. Are you planning on selling things that will not be included in the silent auction and that you want the club to be aware so they can bring some extra money, are offering some sort of bonsai-related services, or maybe you are heading to Nature's Way and are offering to pick things up for our members. You can send this info to Karin Simmat (ksimmat@verizon.net) for inclusion in the next newsletter. Title your email "BBS Classified Ad".

Some Photos from Last Month's Small Bonsai

