

# Triangle Bonsai Society

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## September is All About Preparation

Our September meeting was all about getting ready for the upcoming shows.

In anticipation of the North Carolina State Fair and the Bonsai Exposition at the North Carolina Arboretum in Asheville, we discussed how to go about best preparing your bonsai for exhibit.



Harold Johnson had an outstanding power point presentation detailing the steps one must take to prepare your plants to be displayed. Pay attention at future meetings as Harold informed members that the power point presentation would be available at some point in time in the future.

Steve Zeisel showed the club a photo he had made in to a large poster as a potential background for the Asheville exhibit. We decided to use the theme of "Individual plants – from Ownership to Display".

Don Kimball reported he had the wonderful opportunity to study with Colin Lewis at his home in Maine recently.

Ed Lauer offered members the chance to go on a trip to Wilmington to buy pots. He also offered to sell some of the junipers from his collection and said he would help any buyer with styling.

We were made aware that the Triangle Bonsai Exposition held annually at the J.C. Raulston Arboretum will be held June 2<sup>nd</sup> and June 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2012.

**And a final reminder to All TBS Members from Kevin Ray,**

Just a reminder that registration for the Bonsai Division of this year's State Fair Flower and Garden Show will end tomorrow **September 30th**.

For details on how to register browse to

<http://www.trianglebonsai.com/StateFair2011.aspx>

Even if you don't enter the competition please consider bringing a tree to brighten our display.

**October is a very busy month for TBS.**

We've got Asheville, followed by two weekends (and the week between) at the State Fair. But before all of that we have our October meeting. It seems like an excellent opportunity to bring some trees, some tools and work on our trees. Bring a tree your taking to Asheville, or one you've entered in the State Fair (remember to register your tree by 9/30), even bring a tree you aren't showing but just needs some work. Meetings are a great chance to get a lot of opinions on your tree(s), some advice, a helping hand and learn some new things. I can almost guarantee on any tree, someone will bring up an idea you haven't thought of. We'll also have some final updates on the State Fair Display, coverage, demos and more.

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*Pictured above, the trees as they will be displayed in Asheville at the NC Bonsai Expo*

## **October Meeting information**

Our meeting is scheduled for Sunday, October 2, 2011 at 1:30 PM at the Cooperative Extension building next door to our usual meeting spot.

## **November 6, 2011**

Arthur Joura will speak and do a demo

## **December 4, 2011**

Christmas Party and auction

