

TRIANGLE BONSAI SOCIETY JULY NEWSLETTER



COME TO THE
TBS BONSAI SHOW
Saturday July 8th and
Sunday July 9th, 2017
at Sarah Duke Gardens in Durham.
10 AM to 5 PM.

DIRECTIONS

DUKE GARDENS: Street address: 420 Anderson St., Durham, NC 27708 (but 27705 works better for GPS)

FROM CHAPEL HILL AND POINTS SOUTHWEST VIA 15/50115/501 North toward Durhammerge right onto 15/501 Bypassexit onto Hwy. 751 (a.k.a. Cameron Blvd.)turn right at bottom of exit ramp onto Hwy. 751proceed on Hwy. 751 to third stop lightturn left onto Duke University Roadfollow Duke University Road to second stop lightturn left onto Anderson Streetafter first intersection (Campus Drive), main entrance is 150 yards up on the left (a half-circle drive with stone walls)

FROM RALEIGH AND POINTS SOUTH AND EAST VIA I-40 & HWY. 147 (DURHAM FREEWAY)I-40 west to Hwy. 147 (Durham Freeway)follow Hwy. 147 to the Swift Avenue exitturn left onto Swift Avenuepass one traffic light and proceed to Campus Drive (a four-way stop)turn right onto Campus Drive.proceed to first stop light and turn right onto Anderson Streetmain entrance is 150 yards ahead on the left (a half-circle drive with stone walls)

FROM GREENSBORO AND POINTS WEST VIA I-85I-85 North to Durhamexit onto Hillandale Roadturn right at the top of exit ramp onto Hillandale Roadcontinue on Hillandale, which will merge with Fulton Street at the Hwy. 147 overpassproceed on Fulton Street to the Erwin Road intersectionturn left on Erwin Roadproceed to second stop lightturn right onto Anderson Streetentrance is about one-half mile up on the right (a half-circle drive with stone walls)

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From the TBS President

We do not formally have a meeting in July, but we do have a special club show at the Duke Gardens. These are next to the Duke Durham campus, and have ponds, rare trees and beautiful plantings. The show is indoors in the teaching center right next to the parking lot. Please come.

July is a time when you can defoliate your healthy Japanese maples and other deciduous trees. This increases branch ramification and should give you smaller, healthier looking leaves in the fall when the tree turns colors. Only do this to healthy trees as it does stress them.

Otherwise July is a month in our area where the trees are stressed by the heat and need to be watered often. For some a move to the shade is needed. With the reduced workload on us, and the heat that keeps us indoors it is a great month to read more about bonsai.

TBS SWAP/SELL SITE

Starting in August we will add a TBS Swap/Sell page to the website. At the end of July email me a small version picture of the item, a 1 line description and price as well as your email, and I will mount the item on the web. Only members can post, but anyone can buy. Wait till the last week in July to email me as we want the listings to be fresh.

**Click here to go to TBS LIBRARY selections
(<http://www.trianglebonsai.com/so/cLoXfYsJ/click?w=LS0tDQo0Nml5MTViZS01MjcxLTRmNTYtMmFhZS1iNmQwNGQyNjg0MDcNCmh0dHBzOi8vd3d3LnRyaWFuZ2xiYm9uc2FpLmNvbS90YnMtbGlicmFyeQ0KLS0t>)**



TBS LIBRARY

Since there is no formal TBS meeting in July, there won't be a library exchange until August. But since the August meeting is dedicated to ficus, what better time to feature *Ficus, The Exotic Bonsai*, by Jerry Meislik. This 144 page book presupposes some basic bonsai knowledge (no, there's no wiring instruction), but thoroughly addresses horticultural and styling information specific to figs. The introduction includes discussion of special fig characteristics, followed by information about growing figs indoors.

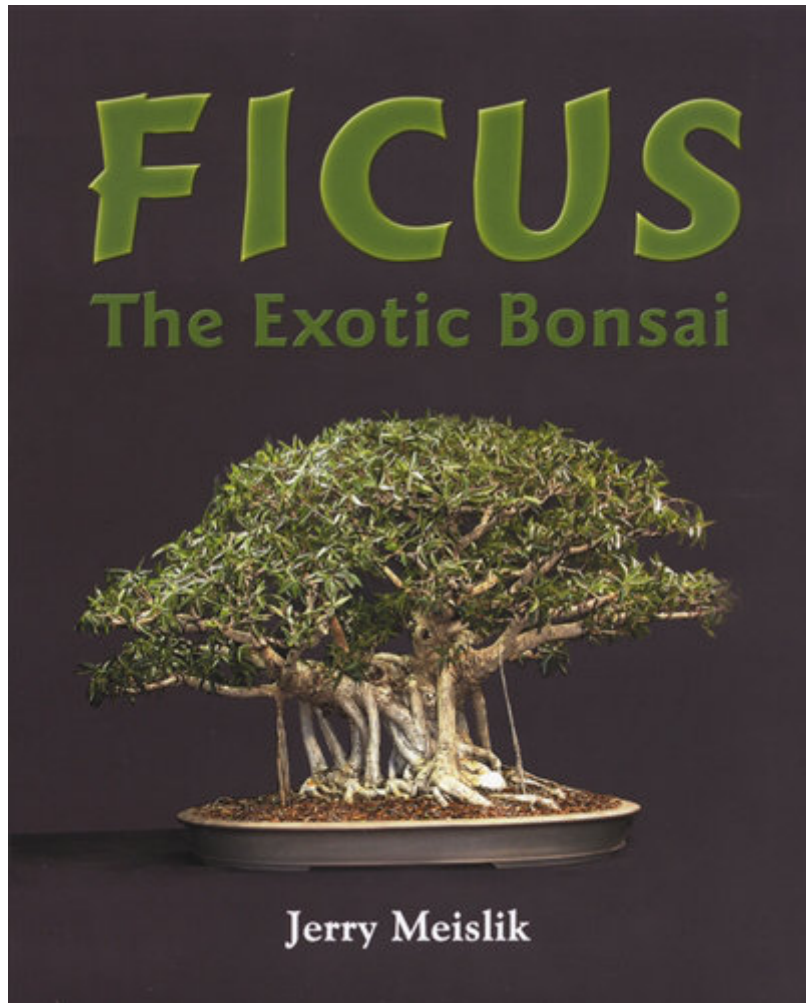
In addition, Dr. Meislik discusses grafting, defoliation, aerial roots, and propagation. The book concludes with short monographs on the more popular varieties. If you are going to become serious about ficus bonsai, you will undoubtedly want to buy a copy of this book for yourself; for those of you still unsure about ficus, why not check out the TBS copy and see how easy and responsive this species can be. Dr Meislik also has a website: bonsaihunk.us

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I highly recommend a visit, and with particular attention to his blog.

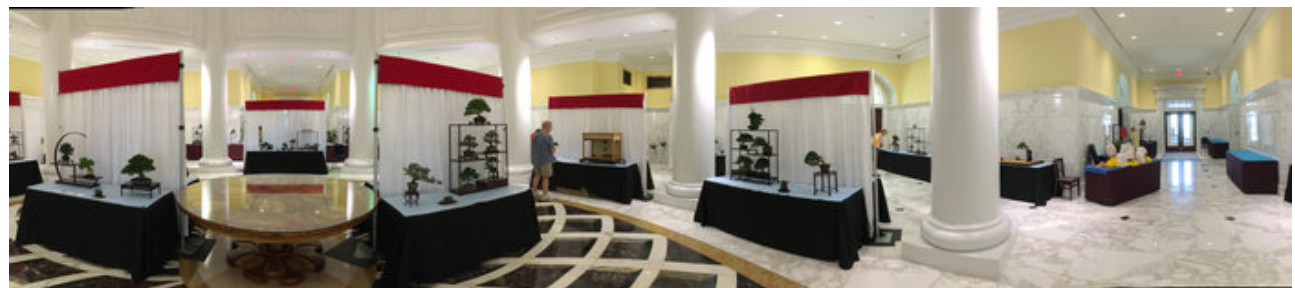
Jim Easterbrook





US NATIONAL SHOHIN EXHIBITION in North Carolina

North Carolina is attracting more and more attention as a bonsai hot spot. The weekend of June 24-25 2017, the US National Bonsai Exhibition was held at the beautiful venue in Kannapolis NC. It was organized by William Valavanis and Louise Leister. Bonsai artists gave demos including Suthin Sukolosovisit, Kathy Shaner, John Romano, Sean Smith, Michael Lebanik, Marc Arpag, Michael Ryan Bell and William N. Valavanis. Much of the bonsai world from Japan, Vermont, California, Florida, North Carolina, Tennessee, Georgia, etc. attended. The trees were exceptional, and one of our club members won the award for best conifer shohin - Don Kimball's white pine. Don is the first member of TBS to win an award at a US National show. The next US National show for larger size trees is to be held in September 2018 in Rochester, and the US National Shohin show will return to North Carolina in 2019. The club members who went to the show enjoyed it and bought lots of bonsai stuff and trees.







Suthin Sukolosovisit demo

Check out the new TBS website → (<http://www.trianglebonsai.com/so/cLoXfYsJ/click?w=LS0tDQo2YjA1MjA0Ni0xZDFmLTQwMDAtYzBiNi1hM2Q1MDMyZThhM2UNCmh0dHBzOi8vd3d3LnRy>)