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NEXT MEETING

SUNDAY October 7, 2018 1:30 PM- 4 PM

Event: Bring your own tree and get help from experienced members.
Remember to bring your tools and wire as well.

CLUB MEETING location:

Commons Building or Agricultural Extension Service, Wake County Office Park - 400
Carya Dr, Raleigh, NC, 27610



NC State Fair Bonsai Exhibit

Please come and see the club's exhibit at the NC State Fair . October 10-21, 2018. WE STILL NEED MEMBERS TO BE DOCENTS! This job just involves being enthusiastic about bonsai and talking to people who visit the exhibition. We try to encourage new members to join the club. We have a number of time slots with no volunteers, go to: <https://www.trianglebonsai.com/volunteer-signup> . to see what these openings are an email at the address on that page to volunteer. If you volunteer, you get free parking and admission to the Fair!!!
Thanks.



TBS will have a display at the North Carolina Arboretum's annual Carolina Bonsai Expo which will be held on Saturday, October 13, and Sunday, October 14, 2018, in the Arboretum's

Baker Exhibit Center and Education Center buildings. This nationally known event features juried displays by bonsai enthusiasts hailing from a seven-state region, including N.C., S.C., Ga., Ala., Tenn., Va. and Pa.

Program Schedule

Saturday, October 13

- 9 a.m. – 5 p.m. – Bonsai Marketplace, Baker Exhibit Center
 - 9 a.m. – 5 p.m. – Bonsai Exhibition, Education Center
- 9 a.m. – 5 p.m. – Ikebana Display presented by Asheville Chapter of Ikebana International, Education Center
 - 11 a.m. – 12 noon – [Free Ikebana Flower Arranging Demonstration](#), Education Center
- 1 p.m. – 5 p.m. – [Main Event: "A New Styling for an Old Pine."](#) – SOLD OUT! Call [828-665-2492](tel:828-665-2492) to be added to waiting list

Sunday, October 14

- 9 a.m. – 4 p.m. – Bonsai Marketplace, Baker Exhibit Center
 - 9 a.m. – 4 p.m. – Bonsai Exhibition, Education Center
- 9 a.m. – 4 p.m. – Ikebana Display presented by Asheville Chapter of Ikebana International, Education Center
 - 11 a.m. – 1 p.m. – Free Tray Landscape Bonsai Program, Education Center
 - 2:30 p.m. – Bonsai Auction, Baker Exhibit Center

For club members who will display or attend read this note from Arthur Joura the curator of the museum, as club members get free parking. You need to give Don Kimball, the club member coordinating this, your name so he can submit it so that you get this discount.

There are also several workshops and demos you can sign up for at the Expo.

From Arthur Joura:

Hurricane Florence has been and gone, and thankfully for most of us did not live up to our worst expectations. Unfortunately though, our friends in Wilmington took the full hit from the storm square on the chin, and they are still trying to clean up and get a read on the extent of damage. They lost bonsai, and a lot of other things, too. As we continue to see images of flood-induced misery in the media, please keep the good people of the Carolina Fear Bonsai Society in mind.

Life goes on, as the saying goes. Here in Asheville we're back to blue skies and searing sun and temperatures in the 80's, and at the Arboretum we're back to work on Expo preparations. I have been getting a lot of excited feedback about the participation of Bjorn Bjorholm as this year's Expo guest artist. Busy as he is with his new studio and nursery in Nashville, Bjorn is also looking forward to it. So I am pleased today to release information about one of his programs - the Saturday afternoon "Main Event" lecture and demonstration. Everything you need to know about it will be found at the end of this message.

Bjorn will be doing a workshop too, as will Jim Doyle from Nature's Way, but you will hear about that next week. Sign-ups for the workshops will follow, but for now registration will be for only the lecture/demo. As always, you members of clubs participating in the Expo will have the first opportunity to register for the Main Event, and then it will be made available to the general public. Please reserve your seat in advance, because I expect the program to sell out.

2018 CAROLINA BONSAI EXPO MAIN EVENT

“A New Styling for an Old Pine”

Saturday, October 13

1:00 to 5:00 PM

2018 Carolina Bonsai Expo guest artist Bjorn Bjorholm redesigns a large pine bonsai from the Arboretum's collection.

The 23rd annual Carolina Bonsai Expo will not be the first for internationally-acclaimed bonsai professional Bjorn Bjorholm, but it will be his first time as the Expo guest artist. A long time ago, back when the Expo was just beginning, Bjorn attended several times as a teenager from Knoxville, TN. Since then he has made his way around the world and become one of the biggest names in bonsai.

Bjorn spent six years as a bonsai apprentice to Master Keiichi Fujikawa at Kouka-en bonsai nursery in Osaka, Japan, before earning his certification.

as a bonsai professional from the Nippon Bonsai Association. For three more years he continued at Kouka-en as artist-in-residence, making him first and only foreign born bonsai professional in Japan. His work was featured in some of the leading bonsai exhibitions in that country. Bjorn first came to most people's attention with his YouTube channel, where he highlighted his apprenticeship experience through the "Bonsai Art of Japan" series. Now, he is a much sought bonsai designer and teacher in Asia, Europe, Australia, and North and South America. Recently he returned to his home state of Tennessee to open his own bonsai nursery, Eisei-en, Nashville.

When Bjorn takes the stage for this Expo demonstration program, his subject will be a large, old bonsai pine tree, which was received by the Arboretum as a donation ten years ago. The tree came to us identified as Mugo Pine, but this is open to some doubt. What is not in doubt is the substantial size and rugged character of this specimen along with the challenging aspects of its structure. This pine is impressive, but also problematic. It has potential, but its promise is not yet realized. All in all, should make a great demonstration piece for an artist of Bjorn's talent and well-traveled experience!

This program is scheduled for up to 4 hours, which, for the amount of work to be done, is hardly too much. However, sitting for that length of time and watching a bonsai being re-styled might be too much for some people. To address this concern, program attendees will be issued ID bracelets to wear and then be at their liberty to come and go as they please. Only registered attendees will be able to enter the demonstration for any part of this program.

The program will be conducted in the classrooms on the 1st floor of the Education Center beginning promptly at 1:00 PM.

The cost of this program is \$15 for Arboretum members and \$18 for non-members, and the 100 available spaces will be sold on a first come, first served basis. Reservations will be taken in the following ways beginning

9:00 AM, Monday, September 24, 2018:

- Online 24/7 at ncarboretum.org
- By phone during business hours Monday through Friday (828) 664-2492. Ask to register for Bonsai Expo Main Event.
- In person at the Arboretum's Main Administration Offices in the Education Center.

Reservations must be secured by payment, either by credit card at the time of registration or by personal check received within 5 working days of the time of registration.

REGISTRATION WILL NOT BE TAKEN BEFORE 9:00 AM MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 24.

Registration for the Saturday afternoon Main Event lecture/demo program with Bjorn opened on Monday and is moving along briskly. I again encourage you to take care of your registration soon. That can be done online by visiting the Arboretum's web site. Here is a link to the Expo page on the Arboretum site: <https://www.ncarboretum.org/event/carolina-bonsai-expo/2018-10-13/> Please share with anyone you think may be interested. Thank you!

This message brings details regarding two workshop programs to be held during the upcoming Expo weekend. One will be provided by 2018 Expo guest artist Bjorn Bjorho and the other by Jim Doyle of Nature's Way Nursery. These workshops will go on sale 9 AM next Monday, October 1, and are being advertised first to you, our Expo partners and the participating clubs. They are offered as a service and are not designed to be profit generating in any significant way. The pricing of these programs reflects the cost of conducting them. This is how it always is with workshops at the Expo, and I always mention a point about it because I want to encourage your support of them. A major reason for having the Carolina Bonsai Expo is to further knowledge and appreciation of bonsai, not only for the thousands of guests who come to see the show, but also for the bonsai community that participates in the event. These workshops offer an excellent, hands-on educational opportunity, at a cost as reasonable as you are likely to find. The number of available slots is limited, though. All the information you need in order to secure your place will be found below.

Saturday, October 13, 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

“Maple Focus”

Bonsai artist Jim Doyle will conduct a maple bonsai workshop using provided plant material.

Please note: this program is not for novice or beginner level students!

Participants must have experience and a firm grasp of bonsai fundamentals.

It is difficult to think of a more all-round appealing family of deciduous tree than the Maple (Aceraceae). Maple species are beautiful in the forest and the cultivated landscape, and they are beautiful in bonsai, too. And it just happens that maples generally lend themselves extremely well to bonsai culture, in all sizes, styles and forms.

In this class, students will not only acquire and work on a new maple bonsai to add to their collection, but they will also receive comprehensive instruction in all aspects of growing maples for bonsai. Included will be information about care and culture, development decisions, apex formation and container relationships. A hand-out is included. Nature's Way Nurseries will be providing the plant material, a selection of Trident, Japanese and Paperbark maples in training pots. Trunk sizes range from ¾" to 2" in diameter, and the trees are heavily branched. Photos of plant material samples are attached to this message.

Jim Doyle of Harrisburg, PA recently celebrated his 45th year as a bonsai professional. Few people in American bonsai are as well-known and well-liked. Jim has toured extensively in this country and in Europe, teaching and presenting at conventions and symposia, while expanding his bonsai knowledge through numerous visits to China and Japan. He is a familiar presence at the Carolina Bonsai Expo, as a vendor, exhibitor, auctioneer and teacher.

Class size will be limited to no more than 10 (ten) participants. Class fee includes plant material and instruction. Participants must provide their own tools and wire. Plants will not be re-potted as part of this class.

The cost of this workshop is \$150 for Arboretum members and \$155 for non-members and the 10 available spaces will be sold on a first come, first served basis. Reservations can be made by phone ((828) 665-2492) or in person at the Arboretum; sorry, but no reservations may be made via the Internet. Reservations must be secured by payment, either by credit card at the time of registration or by personal check received within 5 working days of the time of registration.

RESERVATIONS WILL BE TAKEN BEGINNING AT 9:00 AM ON MONDAY, OCTOBER 1. NO RESERVATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED PRIOR TO THAT TIME.

Sunday, October 14, 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM

“Your Bjorn Experience”

Bonsai artist Bjorn Bjorholm will conduct a bonsai styling workshop in which students provide their own plant material.

Please note: this program is not for novice or beginner level students!

Participants must have experience and a firm grasp of bonsai fundamentals.

For many bonsai enthusiasts, the ultimate fantasy is to go to Japan and be accepted as an apprentice, then go on to become a bonsai professional and then ultimately end up being a bonsai rock star. In short, to do what Bjorn Bjorholm did! That might not be possible for most people, but with this class it is possible to have Bjorn help you with a tree from your collection. While your bonsai gets the benefit of a restyling session with a world-class expert, you can receive the benefit of information passed along by someone who learned it while working as a professional at the highest level. Among his many other talents, Bjorn has been gaining notice as an excellent instructor.

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Class size will be limited to 8 (eight) participants. Class fee is for instruction only. Participants will provide their own plant material, plus their own tools and wire. Plants will not be re-potted as part of this class.

The cost of this workshop is \$90 for Arboretum members and \$100 for non-members. The 8 available workshop spaces will be sold on a first come, first served basis. Reservations can be made by phone ((828) 665-2492) or in person at the Arboretum; sorry, but no reservations may be made via the Internet. Reservations must be secured by payment, either by credit card at the time of registration or by personal check received within 5 working days of the time of registration.

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Arthur Joura

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