

The Bergen Bonsai Society

Jan. 2018 Newsletter

Meeting: Sun 02/18 9:45 AM— 12 PM

Place: TEANECK GREENHOUSE
296 Lindbergh Blvd. Teaneck, NJ



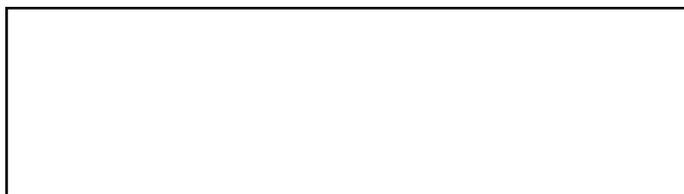
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Year 2018 Programs Mark Your Calendar



<u>DATE</u>	<u>EVENT AND/OR GUEST ARTIST</u>	<u>AM</u> <u>MTG</u>	<u>AFT</u> <u>MTG</u>	<u>EVE</u> <u>MT</u> <u>G</u>	<u>AWAY</u> <u>MTG</u>
January 21	<u>TEANECK GREENHOUSE— FERTILIZER WORKSHOP</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>		<u>X</u>
February 18	<u>TEANECK GREENHOUSE— GROWING MEDIUM WORKSHOP</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>		<u>X</u>
March 18	<u>TEANECK GREENHOUSE –MABS TREE SELECTION</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>		<u>X</u>
April 13,14,15	<u>MID-ATLANTIC SPRING FESTIVAL IN CONN</u>				<u>X</u>
April 22	<u>ARTIST WILL BADDELEY —LECTURE/DEMO</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>		
May 20	<u>POSSIBLE VISITING ARTIST</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>		
June 10	<u>ARTIST TYLER and SHERWOOD— LECTURE/DEMO</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>		
July 15	<u>TEANECK GREENHOUSE—TROPICAL REPOTTING</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>		<u>X</u>
Aug 19	<u>TEANECK GREENHOUSE— TO BE ANNOUNCE</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>		<u>X</u>
September 7,8	<u>TRIP TO ROCHESTER NATIONALS BONSAI EXHIBITION</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>		<u>X</u>
September 16	<u>PICNIC, AUCTION LOCATION TO BE DETERMINED</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>		<u>X</u>
October 21	<u>ARTIST TO BE DETERMINED</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>		
November 18	<u>CLUB SHOW, POT SALE, WORKSHOP</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>		
December 9	<u>ANNUAL HOLIDAY LUNCHEON</u>		<u>X</u>		<u>X</u>

* Indicates a change in date, event or time, since previous Newsletter

NOTES

1. All meetings @ Closter Nature Center are on Sundays

LAST MONTH MEETING—JAN. 21st. MAKE MORE FERTILIZER IN TEA BAGS

Last month's January 21 fertilizer making meeting was at the Teaneck Greenhouse, a location that we want to be using more this year for programs which are likely to have lower attendance. Our turnout was excellent for this workshop. We formed two working groups each with four or five tea bag stuffers and one hot iron sealer and produced over 1000 packets of special fertilizer mix left over from last year's similar workshop. When we do this again for next year's first meeting we need to change the ratio of stuffers to sealers to no more than three baggers to each hot iron sealer so that with the same turn out we might double our output rate. We all had a pretty good time. Thank you Peter for this whole program.

THIS MEETING— FEB 18— AT THE TEANECK GREENHOUSE— MAKE BONSAI GROWING MEDIUM

Our next meeting, February 18, is also at the Teaneck Greenhouse. We will be making an especially effective bonsai soil mix, reputed to produce very healthy, strong and fast growing root structures. The components of the mix are acadama, pumice, lava, charcoal and perhaps some pine bark, mostly purchased from Japan or California, so it's got to be good and a bit expensive. Twelve of us have responded to the email notifications and committed to purchase a total of about 60 gallons of final mix. We will be sifting and blending the mix ourselves. Everyone who made an order must attend but everyone else is welcome, especially those of us who have never made a bonsai soil mix before. Remember to bring a container or bag to take home your soil. The soil mix is the basis of growing healthy trees . This is a good workshop.

NEXT MEETING — MAR 18TH. — AT THE TEANEXK GREENHOUSE — MABS TREE SELECION

The dues for 2018 will remain at \$50 for an individual.

Please make check payable to Bergen Bonsai Society, you can mail it to our treasurer:

Ralf Schumann
495 Van Emburgh ,
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The Teaneck Greenhouse, is near 296 Lindbergh Blvd in Teaneck

SEE attached MABS 2018 registration form.

GOOD AND WELFARE

We are on social media Facebook and Twitter, you can see what is going on with Bergen Bonsai and the Bonsai world. Thanks to Will Farro for setting it up. Bergen Bonsai News, if anyone would like to share some bonsai news, please feel free to drop us an email. We will publish it if it is appropriate.

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BBS WEBSITE

Go to www.bergenbonsai.com & you can view our newsletters, pictures from our latest meetings, the Mid-Atlantic Convention, our extensive library & much more.

LIBRARY

As usual, the complete library inventory is posted on our website (**BergenBonsai.com**). Find what you want, contact our librarians (for videos; hard cover books — Ralf; Bonsai Today/ Focus —Diann, and Int’l Bonsai, BCL Misc — John), and they will bring it to the next meeting. This is a tremendous asset and one of the best ways to learn more about bonsai in general. The library is a treasure trove of information just waiting to answer all of your questions and some that you haven’t even thought about yet. Use these winter months to get answers to the questions that you have about your trees in time for the growing season.

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