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April 2023 Newsletter

Meeting As Usual at the Anaheim United Methodist Church, 1000 S. State College Blvd., Anaheim

Saturday April 15 at 6:00 PM AND ALSO at the Bowers Museum the next day, Sunday April 16 for the Cherry Blossom Festival

Ron Reekers, Bonsai Artist



On Saturday April 15 at 6 PM Kofu Kai welcome Ron Reekers who will create a drawing of a member's tree and talk to us about the art of bonsai and the principles common to all art forms. Several people will be asked to bring a tree and either Ron will choose one to draw or we'll vote on it. The lucky winner will get to keep the drawing.

Ron Reekers is a retired aerospace engineer, a tenth dan grand master in Aam-Bu-Jitsu, and has studied many other martial arts. He has two fine arts degrees from Long Beach State and is an active artist with work shown and published internationally. Ron has studied bonsai with John Nelson, Manny Martinez, and David Nguy and

has won the Golden State Bonsai Federation's Harry Hirao scholarship and has attended Taisho-En International Bonsai School in Shizuoka Japan.

Join us for this interesting evening and enjoy learning more about art and bonsai. Also, I think we can start bringing refreshments again, what do you say?
There will be no raffle at this meeting.



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Join your fellow Kofu members at the Bowers Museum Cherry Blossom Festival Sunday April 16, 2023
Open to the Public 11AM - 3 PM
Set Up from 9:30 AM



Every year we show a few trees and talk to the lovely folks who attend the Bowers Cherry blossom Festival which celebrates Japanese culture. There is music, dancing and family craft activities. You can bring a tree or just drop by to help us talk to people about the beautiful art of bonsai. It's also good to bring a tree to work on so you can show people what we do. Contact Carol Upston to sign up or for more info.

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Our last meeting was a visit to Jason Chan's new nursery and it was sunny, warm and really just a lot of fun.



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**Corrected Date for OCBS/OEBS Bonsai
Show at Sherman Gardens**

**Saturday June 3rd through Sunday
June 4th**

2647 East Coast Highway
Corona del Mar, CA 92625
<https://thesherman.org/>

If you are interested in showing a tree,
please contact Debra.
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The Golden State Bonsai Federation presents



BONSAI *RENDEZVOUS* 2023

October 20, 21, and 22
Friday - Saturday - Sunday

Headliner - Bjorn Bjorholm

Bjorn workshops & demos all day
Friday & Saturday
Open Q&A with Bjorn on Sunday morning

Joshua Roth "Rising Stars" Competition
all day Saturday

Multiple workshops all day Friday & Saturday

Exhibition by the GSBF Collections

All-Access Educational Seminars all 3 days

BYOB Social Hours Friday & Saturday

Saturday Awards Dinner & Live Auction

Silent Auctions (Consignment Sales & Donations)

Tomodachi

Top bonsai vendors all 3 days



Registration opens on May 1

Early Bird Pricing (until July 30)

3-day admission	\$ 80
3-day admission with gourmet banquet	\$130

Regular Pricing

3-day admission	\$ 95
3-day admission with gourmet banquet	\$145

1-day admission is always	\$ 45
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Rooms are limited so make your reservation today!

Ask for the GSBF BONSAI RENDEZVOUS rate

1-209-826-4444

Hotel Mission De Oro

Access the GSBF website via the QR code to see event updates and sign up for an event reminder

www.gsbfbonsai.org/2023-rendezvous

