

KOFU BONSAI KAI KOFUKAI.ORG

NOVEMBER 2018 NEWSLETTER

Saturday November 17, 2018 at 7:00 PM

Anaheim United Methodist Church, 1000 South State College Blvd., Anaheim, East Classroom

HARRY HARRINGTON



I've been reading one of Harry Harrington's books, *Bonsai Inspirations 1*. He's done a very good job of winnowing through the huge amount of information on bonsai floating around and using his experience to present effective and detailed ways of creating and developing bonsai from material collected from yards, fields and nurseries. He is an expert on deciduous trees and on carving raw material to produce a natural and dramatic final design. His carving technique is different from that of Will Baddeley who we hosted in May and it will be interesting to see his approach. Carving is an indispensable skill in bonsai creation and allows us to transform unpromising stumps into beautiful trees. Harry's website bonsai4me.com is well organized and packed with information. I hope to see you all there.

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THE AUCTION

Sincerest thanks to everyone who helped out, donated and bid at the auction. Thanks especially to Debra and David Melitz for not only helping but also successfully bidding on some really special items. Thanks also to Anthony Chiusolo, Mike Viljak, Don Martin, and several others, forgive me for forgetting names. We even had several new members bidding on things.

Congratulations especially to Ron Reekers for winning the California juniper donated to us by the California Bonsai Society, it's in very good hands and we look forward to seeing it in the future.

Two trees which did not make their reserves are still available. The tall upright California juniper is recovering nicely from it's exposure to extreme heat at the CBS auction in July. The beautiful multi grafted shinpaku juniper on a prostrata trunk donated by Tom Vuong has been cured of it's spider mites and is also available.

In addition the club has been gifted with a rare hard cover copy of John Naka's Bonsai Techniques book, unsigned and also a complete set of the magazine Bonsai Today.



Kofu Bonsai Kai Christmas Party
Pot Luck Feast and the Biggest Raffle of the Year!!!
Join us on Saturday, December 1 from 12 noon till 3 PM
Saint Wilfrid's Episcopal Church
18631 Chapel Lane
Huntington Beach 92646

It's a pot luck
Kofu Kai will supply a turkey, a ham and beverages. Please bring your favorite dish: finger food, salad, chicken wings, side dish, dessert or whatever and we'll make this a grand feast.

Please Donate to the Mammoth Raffle
This is our largest raffle of the year and our elves are out shopping right now for prizes. Please donate to the raffle and help make it truly amazing!!!

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THE FUTURE

MARK YOUR CALENDARS



CBS ANNUAL MEMBER'S SALE

SUNDAY NOVEMBER 25, 2018

Yamaguchi Bonsai Nursery

1905 Sawtelle Boulevard, West Los Angeles, CA 90025

Hours: 9 AM – 12 PM

Arrive early for best selection. No early holds or sales allowed.



CALIFORNIA BONSAI SOCIETY

www.californiabonsaisociety.com

Kofu Kai Christmas Party mammoth raffle, pot luck

December 1, 12 noon to 3 Pm

18631 church lane, Huntington Beach

January 2019, date to be set

Club visit, demo and workshop at the home of
Tom Vuong

January 19 and 20, 10 AM to 4:30 PM

Baikoen Bonsai Kenkuykai

54th Annual Winter Silhouettes show

Los Angeles Arboretum, Arcadia

Reception Saturday night with entertainment, food, giant raffle and
auction

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PLEASE DONATE TO THE CHRISTMAS RAFFLE

IMPORTANT: If you have something that you'd like to donate to the Christmas raffle but you can't get it there, please contact me, carolupston@icloud.com or 310-346-4203 or Manny, manny22816@aol.com or 949-683-0322 so that we can arrange to have it picked up.

FOLLOW KOFU BONSAI KAI AND HARRY HARRINGTON ON [facebook](#) FOR UP TO DATE INFORMATION



This progression from freshly chopped trunk to finished bonsai is from Harry Harrington's Facebook pages titled [bonsai4me.com](#) and **Harry Harrington**.

It's a recent post showing a freshly chopped trunk, the trunk with taper carved and sprouts starting and, years later, the tree in a pot.

By following Kofu Bonsai Kai and other clubs as well as our demonstrators on social media platforms you can follow along with their journeys and see the progress of various trees as they improve with time. There's a lot of inspiration out there and also knowledge being shared on an unprecedented scale.





Bonsai-A-Thon

Fundraiser for
**THE GOLDEN STATE BONSAI FEDERATION
COLLECTION AT THE HUNTINGTON**
February 23-24, 2019



Daily Benefit Drawing & Live Auction

*Bonsai Styling Demonstrations
by Noted Bonsai Masters
Bonsai Show
Antique Bonsai Pot Exhibit*



*Select Vendors Selling Top-Quality
Tools, Pots and Trees*

**GSBF Early Bird Passes For
Bonsai Club Members
7:30am - 5:00pm
General Public
10:00am - 5:00pm**

**The Huntington Library
Art Collections, and Botanical Gardens
Brody Botanical Center
1151 Oxford Road, San Marino, CA**

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Thanks to everyone who donated to the auctions and brought refreshments and especially to our refreshment chairs, Bob and Kim Warner!

It costs a lot to open our doors each month, close to \$500.00 dollars per meeting to provide the quality bonsai experience offered by Kofu Bonsai Kai. That figure includes rent of the church classroom, storage unit rental, demonstrator's fees, insurance, Christmas party expenses, refreshment expenses, donations to other organizations, professional photography and on and on.

Revenues have diminished steadily from the raffles and auction while at the same time, all expenses have been rising.

If you appreciate what we bring to the bonsai community please show it by buying raffle tickets or contributing items to the raffle or stuffing a few bills into the donation jar. We know that money is tight for many members. Even five or ten dollars in raffle tickets helps. If everyone did that the books would begin to balance again.