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INDIANAPOLIS BONSAI CLUB

# The Bonsai Creation

# IBC



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# From the President

**W**ow! That's the first thing that comes to mind when I reflect on the May meeting. That was the greatest turn-out that I ever recall seeing for a monthly meeting. It was also a little chaotic because we had over twice the number of workshop participants than we were originally expecting. Thanks to all those who assisted me with the workshop, especially Bob and Steve, who were collecting money and handing out tickets. I also want to thank all of those who stayed to help clean up after the meeting. A big workshop like that creates a big mess, but we were able to clean things up and get out of there reasonably quickly.

As we are entering June, we are at that point of the year when we're dealing with rapid plant growth. My maples and elms are growing like weeds. I'm mowing my yard twice a week, too! We've pretty well passed the time of the year where we can safely repot many of the "outdoor" trees. We are, however, getting into the heart of the repotting season for tropical trees. Many tropical trees like ficus, jade, and schefflera loved being potted this time of the year. Some trees like dwarf black olive want to wait until it's even hotter before they are ready to be repotted. Our June meeting will feature a tropical bonsai workshop. We had a sign-up for the tropical workshop during last month's meeting. I believe the 22 members signed up for the workshop. For this workshop, we'll be potting, pruning and wiring the trees. One of the nice things about tropical bonsai is that you can do multiple procedures at once. We usually can't do as many tasks safely on the deciduous and conifer trees. Recently, Paul Weishaar and I took a trip down to Florida to pick up tropical trees for this workshop and juniper trees for the conifer workshop in the fall. We picked up 24 trees for each workshop. Seeing that we have only 24 trees and pots available, the 22 members who already signed up will be getting priority treatment. I can also tell you that these are some nice chunky trees and we have 10 inch glazed pots for them. Soil and wire will also be included in the workshop. The trees available for this workshop are Ficus Microcarpa, Dwarf Jade, and Jaboticaba. We'll have examples of the workshop trees in this newsletter.

One other important thing of note is the annual spring bonsai show at Garfield Park Conservatory. This show takes place the weekend of June 4th and 5th. The show is open during the conservatory's normal operating hours. We are hoping to have about 30 trees on display. Club members can assist in this event by bringing a tree or two for display and assisting us during set up and tear down. We will be setting up at about 9am the morning of Saturday, June 4th. We will tear down when the conservatory closes at 5pm on Sunday. We'll need help setting tables and getting table cloths on tables. We'll also be setting up some shoji screens, so scrolls can be hung for some of the displays. Because of the height of the club's shoji screens, we aren't going to be able to use big or long scrolls. You can purchase smaller scrolls on Amazon or Ebay. I also saw some YouTube videos that show various scroll making techniques. I may try to craft a couple smaller ones. If I manage to successfully craft anything decent, I'll bring it to the meeting.

*Scott Yelich*, President





**Tropical Tree  
Workshop  
(June 1) Trees:  
Ficus Micro-  
carpa, Dwarf  
Jade, & Jaboti-  
caba. A sam-  
pling.**





**During the May 6 meeting, members were able to create a Bonsai Forest on a slab. Trees available were Trident Maples and Bald Cypress.**

# 2022 Meeting Topics

January 5 ● Bonsai Tools, Use & Care, presented by Rob Pugh

February 2 ● Scrolls presented by Alyssa Batula

March 2 ● Propagation techniques

*(Also, Jacy Macchia will be doing short programs during Jan, Feb & March on Insecticides, Fungicides and Fertilizer)*

April 6 ● Members only swap meet, Bonsai Tree Critique.

May 4 ● Members only Bonsai Forest Slab workshop

June 1 ● **Members only Tropical Bonsai workshop**

July 6 ● How to display your tree

August 3 ● Deadwood—Jin and Shari Techniques

September 7 ● Members Only Auction

October 5 ● Members only Conifer workshop

November 2 ● Bonsai Pot presentation

December 7 ● Annual Holiday Gala

**Remember: We are interested in showing members trees. Send us a photo and description of your trees/collection to:**

**[r.hoy@outlook.com](mailto:r.hoy@outlook.com)**

**Thank you!**



## **Indianapolis Bonsai Club Calendar 2022**

**For the most current calendar, visit our website:**  
**[www.indybonsai.org](http://www.indybonsai.org)**

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### **Special Events**

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|------------------------------|--|
| <b>May 26-29</b>             | ● <b>American Bonsai Society<br/>Convention, Olive Branch, MS</b>  |
| <b>May 27-29<br/>Con</b>     | ● <b>Bonsai Societies of Florida<br/>vention, Orlando, FL</b>      |
| <b>June 4-5<br/>it</b>       | ● <b>IBC Garfield Park Bonsai Exhib-<br/>and Sale</b>              |
| <b>June 23-26</b>            | ● <b>Mid-America Bonsai Alliance<br/>Convention, Milwaukee, WI</b> |
| <b>July 16-17</b>            | ● <b>Elkhart Bonsai Show<br/>(Cancelled)</b>                       |
| <b>July 29-Aug. 7</b>        | ● <b>Indiana State Fair Bonsai Ex<br/>hibit and Sale</b>           |
| <b>September 10<br/>Sale</b> | ● <b>Penrod Arts Fair Bonsai</b>                                   |
| <b>October 13-16</b>         | ● <b>World Bonsai Convention,<br/>Perth, Australia</b>             |

<b>Date</b> <b>2022 Meetings</b>	<b>Program</b>
January 5	Bonsai Tool Program (Rob Pugh)
February 2 (16th)	Scrolls—Alyssa Batula
March 2	Bonsai Preparation Techniques/Presentations by Jacy Machia on Fertilizers, Pesticides, & Fungicides
April 6	Members Only Swap Meet/Bonsai Tree Critique
May 4	Members Only Bonsai Forest Slab Workshop
June 1	Members Only Tropical Bonsai Workshop
July 6	How to Display Your Tree
August 3	Deadwood : Jin and Shari Techniques
September 7	Annual Members Only Auction (Club receives 20%)
October 5	Members Only Conifer Workshop
November 2	Bonsai Pots Program
December 7	Annual GALA

## **Club Officers**

**2021-2022**

<b>President</b>	<b>Scott Yelich</b>
<b>Vice-President</b>	<b>Alyssa Batula</b>
<b>Secretary</b>	<b>Robert Scarborough</b>
<b>Treasurer</b>	<b>Robert Hoy</b>
<b>Past President</b>	<b>Paul Weishaar</b>
<b>Newsletter +</b>	<b>Robert Hoy</b>
<b>Webmaster</b>	<b>Scott Yelich</b>
<b>Volunteers</b>	<b>Steven Dick</b>
<b>Membership</b>	<b>Steven Dick</b>
<b>Historian</b>	<b>Paul Weishaar</b>
<b>Librarian</b>	<b>Paul Weishaar</b>
<b>MABA / BCI</b>	<b>Paul Weishaar</b>

**For the most up to date calendar, visit our website:  
[www.indybonsai.org](http://www.indybonsai.org)**

## **Club Information**

*Visitors are always WELCOME!!!*

Where: Garfield Park Conservatory  
2450 Shelby Street  
Indianapolis, Indiana

When: First Wednesday of each  
month

Time: 7:00 pm

Club Dues: Dues are \$25 per calendar  
year. Cost includes (up to)  
two members of the same  
household.

## **Club Officers+ 2021-2022**

President	Scott Yelich
Vice President	Alyssa Batula
Secretary	Neil Scarborough
Treasurer	Robert Hoy
Past President	Paul Weishaar
Membership	Steven Dick
Web Master	Scott Yelich
Volunteers	Steven Dick
Historian	Paul Weishaar
Librarian	Paul Weishaar
MABA/BCI	Paul Weishaar
Garfield Curators	Chip Taylor Jacy Macchia
ABS	Mark Fields
Publications/Photos	Robert Hoy
Videographer	Cameron Fackler

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