



VENUE

A new large venue has been secured to display the expanding U.S. National Bonsai Exhibition to allow sufficient space to present distinctive and refined displays with accessories.



The Fair & Expo Center has 23,000 sq. ft. for demonstrations, sales area and a gathering area for people to socialize as well as ample free parking, food concession, numerous nearby restaurants and accommodations.

The Fair & Expo Center is located near I-90 (Exit 46), and I-390 (Exit 12), near East Henrietta Road and Calkins Road.

FAIR & EXPO CENTER

2695 East Henrietta Road, Rochester, New York

JUDGING

Three distinguished and experienced judges from outside the continental United States will carefully evaluate each bonsai to determine the award winning specimens.

Yasuo Mitsuya — Bonsai Artist from Japan

Marc Noelanders — Bonsai Artist from Belgium

Pedro Morales — Bonsai Artist from Puerto Rico

AWARDS

Cash prizes will be presented for the finest bonsai in the following areas at the Award Banquet & Benefit Auction on Saturday evening, June 10, 2012.

THE NATIONAL AWARD Bonsai Masterpiece

MECO BONSAI/KIKU TOOL AWARD Evergreen Bonsai

DECIDUOUS BONSAI AWARD Deciduous Bonsai

YOSHIMURA AWARD Classical Bonsai

BONSAI TRAVEL AWARD Bonsai & Companion Plant Combination

HO YOKU AWARD Creative Western Formal Display

CUSTOM ORIENTAL WOODCRAFT AWARD Shohin Bonsai Display

PUERTO RICO BONSAI FEDERATION AWARD Tropical Bonsai



DEMONSTRATIONS

World renown bonsai and artists will be demonstrating their techniques at the U.S. National Bonsai Exhibition.

Yasuo Mitsuya— Japanese Bonsai Artist

Marc Noelanders— Belgium Bonsai Artist

Dr. Alice Chen— Oriental Brush Painting Artist

Professor Jerome Cushman— Ichiyo Ikebana Teacher

SPECIAL BONSAI PHOTOGRAPHIC DISPLAY BY

Dr. Jonathan M. Singer— World famous photographer and author will be autographing his recently released large format art book— *Bonsai: Art in Nature*.

SALES AREA VENDORS

A sales area will complete the U.S. National Bonsai Exhibition where select vendors will be displaying and selling bonsai, pre-bonsai, rare plants, supplies, containers, wire, tools, display tables, publications, scrolls, paintings and other items for bonsai creation and enjoyment.

ACCOMMODATIONS

Please make your own accommodations from the many hotels in the nearby area. Often a better rate can be quoted with an AARP or AAA membership card. Please use the prices below as a general range.

OFFICIAL NATIONAL BONSAI EXHIBITION HOTEL

Holiday Inn Airport- (585) 328-6000
911 Brooks Avenue— \$87 **Within A 15 Minute Drive**

Within A 10 Minute Drive

Holiday Inn Hotel & Suites- (585) 475-9190
800 Jefferson Road— \$129

Comfort Suites- (585) 334-6620
2085 Hylan Drive— \$159

Fairfield Inn- (585) 334-3350
4395 West Henrietta Road— \$134

Country Inns & Suites- (585) 486-9000
4635 West Henrietta Road— \$144

Red Roof Inn- (585) 359-1100
4820 West Henrietta Road— \$104



The 3rd U.S. National Bonsai Exhibition will continue with the presentation of some of the finest bonsai masterpieces in the United States. They will represent the most accomplished level of bonsai in America.

Both traditional and formal alcove displays in the enlarged display room will allow the true beauty of each bonsai to come alive with the effective use of accessories. Over 100 different species and cultivars will be displayed.

The exhilarating memories you create from feasting your eyes on one of the finest bonsai exhibitions in the United States will be long lasting and can be reviewed and studied in the forthcoming Commemorative Exhibition Album. The exhibition will compare well with other traveling art museum displays in the country.

The U.S. National Bonsai Exhibitions have received excellent reviews from around the world. In the September 2009 *Kinbon* (Japan's premier bonsai magazine) a two page illustrated feature said *"There is no difference in the character of Japanese and American Bonsai."* The September 2011 issue had a five page, twenty-five photo article and said *"This is the highest level bonsai Exhibition in America."* Those are quite complimentary accolades coming from Japan.

The enthusiasm is growing for the 3rd U.S. National Bonsai Exhibition among bonsai enthusiasts and professionals alike. Sponsors and supporters from around the world are joining in the process of staging this enlarged event.

It is with pride and anticipated joy that Americans are submitting photos of their best bonsai for the selection process. Share the beauty of your finest bonsai with the world by displaying in the 3rd U.S. National Bonsai Exhibition.

Join us in Rochester, New York, to see the beauty of museum quality bonsai and to enjoy the creativity of each artist as they present their distinctive displays.



U.S. NATIONAL BONSAI EXHIBITION INFORMATION

SATURDAY & SUNDAY, JUNE 9-10, 2012
9AM TO 5PM

Fair & Expo Center • Rochester, New York

Daily Admission \$15

Weekend Pass \$20 before June 1st

SATURDAY EVENING AWARD BANQUET

By Advance Reservation Only \$35

DISPLAY YOUR FINEST BONSAI

Display Your Bonsai With Pride!

A beautiful color Commemorative Exhibition Album will permanently capture the artistic level of masterpiece bonsai on display in this national event.

If you have a bonsai you would like considered for the exhibition and included in the Commemorative Exhibition Album, send a current photo by mail or E-mail for the selection process to Wm. N. Valavanis by April 15, 2012. The entry fee of \$50 per bonsai or shohin bonsai composition will be due when your bonsai is accepted for the U.S. National Exhibition.

Limited assistance is available for safely transporting your bonsai from distant areas to and from Rochester, New York.

QUESTIONS?

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EXHIBITION SPONSORS

The following businesses and individuals from the United States, and Japan are financially supporting the U.S. National Bonsai Exhibition.

ABBEVILLE PRESS

ADAMS' BONSAI

BONSAI TRAVEL

BONSAI WEST

BONSAI WORLD MAGAZINE JAPAN

KINBON BONSAI MAGAZINE JAPAN

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SUPPORTING ORGANIZATIONS

The following leading organizations from around the world are supporting the U.S. National Bonsai Exhibition.

BONSAI SOCIETY OF UPSTATE NEW YORK

WORLD BONSAI FRIENDSHIP FEDERATION

NIPPON BONSAI ASSOCIATION

BONSAI CLUBS INTERNATIONAL

PUERTO RICO BONSAI FEDERATION

NORTH AMERICAN BONSAI FEDERATION

NATIONAL BONSAI FOUNDATION

AMERICAN BONSAI SOCIETY

BONSAI SOCIETIES OF FLORIDA

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JUNE 9-10, 2012

ROCHESTER, NEW YORK

VISIT THE U.S. NATIONAL BONSAI EXHIBITION

**See Museum-Quality Bonsai
Enjoy Bonsai Fellowship**



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Saturday & Sunday, June 9-10, 2012 9am to 5pm
The Fair & Expo Center • Rochester, New York

Daily Admission \$15 • Weekend Pass \$20 before June 1st

Saturday Evening Award Banquet & Benefit Auction

By Advance Reservation Only \$35

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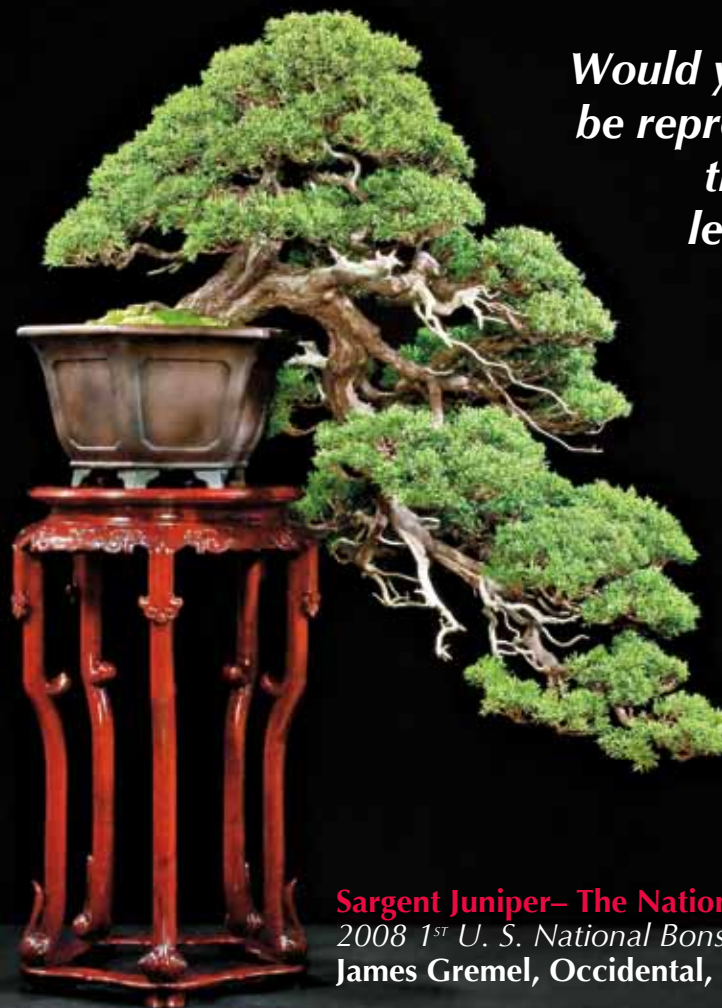
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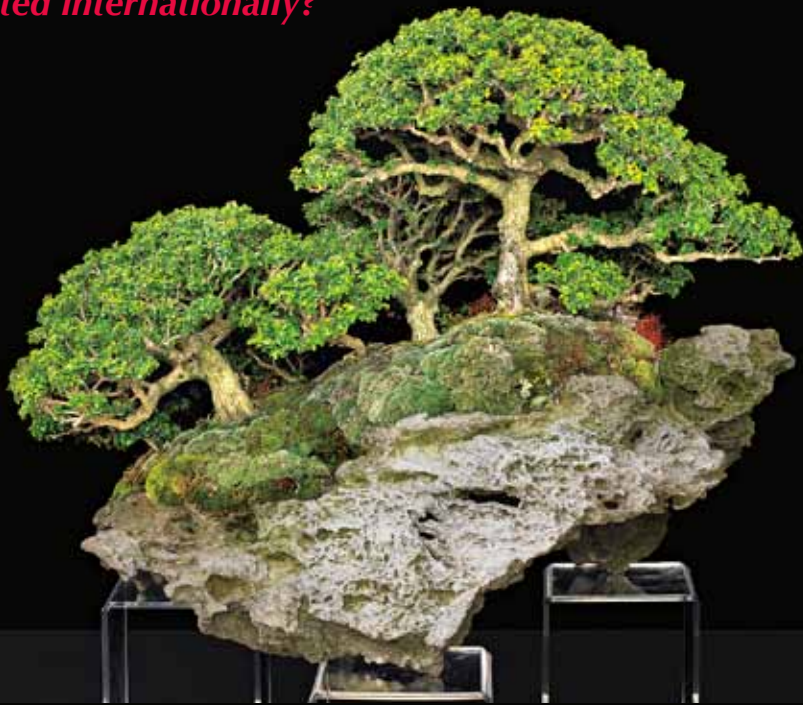
Are You Proud Of Your Bonsai?

*Would you like to
be represented in
the highest
level bonsai
exhibition
in the
United
States?*



Sargent Juniper– The National Award
2008 1st U. S. National Bonsai Exhibition
James Gremel, Occidental, California

Would you like to have your bonsai professionally photographed and included in the Commemorative Album distributed internationally?



Kingsville Dwarf Box– Boon Manakitivipart, Alameda, California
Centre' Award (Finest Bonsai & Container Combination)
 2010 2ND U. S. National Bonsai Exhibition

Would you like to represent your state and share the beauty of your bonsai with the world?



Ponderosa Pine– Scott Elser, Portland, Oregon
Meco Bonsai Kiku Tool Award (Finest Evergreen Bonsai)
 2010 2ND U. S. National Bonsai Exhibition



California Juniper
Seiji Shiba, DDS
Monte Sereno, California
 2008 1ST U. S. National
 Bonsai Exhibition



Coast Redwood
Golden State Bonsai
Federation Bonsai Garden
At Lake Merritt,
Oakland, California
 2008 1ST U. S. National
 Bonsai Exhibition

Display Your Best Bonsai In The Finest Exhibition In the United States

The country of Japan and the European continent each have large-scale exhibitions representing their individual regions to showcase their finest bonsai. These areas are diminutive when compared with the vast size of the United States. The 2nd U. S. National Bonsai Exhibition held in June 2010 displayed **226** individual masterpiece bonsai representing **96** artists from **27** states. There were **124** different species and cultivars represented in the exhibition and a total of **91** shohin bonsai.

Japanese trained professional bonsai artists **Ryan Neil** (Oregon) and **Peter Warren** (England) understand the significance of this exhibition to the entire bonsai world and are enthusiastically supporting the U. S. National Bonsai Exhibition. These two professionals will join together to carefully and lovingly transport your prize masterpieces from your area to Rochester, New York and return them safely.

The world and especially Japan has recognized the significance and quality of bonsai displayed in the U. S. National Bonsai Exhibitions. Japanese *Kinbon* magazine has recently printed that *"There is no difference in the quality of Japanese and American bonsai"* and *"This is the highest level bonsai exhibition in America."*

Please consider sharing the beauty of your best bonsai with the entire bonsai world. Proudly display your bonsai and represent your state in the finest exhibition in the U. S. Like the Japanese exhibitions, the beauty of individual bonsai is the determining factor for acceptance, not the origin, ownership or past history.

Submit a current photo of your most excellent bonsai for the selection process by April 15, 2012. Bonsai displayed in the 1ST & 2ND U. S. National Bonsai Exhibition may not be submitted for the 2012 exhibition. The entry fee of \$50 per bonsai or shohin bonsai composition will be due when your bonsai is accepted for the U. S. National Bonsai Exhibition.

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