

THE TWIG

Mohawk Hudson Bonsai Society



*HAPPY
NEW YEAR*

***JANUARY 25
DAVID
KNITTLE***

***10AM Lesson
Noon Lunch
1 PM Free
Workshop***

START THE NEW YEAR OUT RIGHT BY INCREASING YOUR CARVING SKILLS WITH DAVID KNITTLE

David will be returning to our club to increase our knowledge of creating and dealing with dead wood on our bonsai. Dave will give a lesson at 10AM. After the lesson, we will have a BYO lunch and short meeting. After lunch you can work on deadwood projects on your trees or practice on scrap wood at our FREE workshop with Dave. Bring any carving tools you have. Some will be available for your use also.



ANNUAL DINNER AND AUCTION WAS A GREAT SUCCESS

Many thanks to all who brought items for our auction and to all who bid and won at the auction. Special thanks to Drew who contributed a stay at his camp this coming summer. The club is \$824.50 richer due to the auction. Our programs in the future will greatly benefit from the auction.

If you still owe dues for this year, bring them to the January meeting please.

BONSAI NEW YEAR RESOLUTIONS



It is that time of year again! Time to make or remake resolutions that will improve our bonsai.

Of course the idea is to actually carry them out. Good luck to me and everyone and a Happy New Year!

-Pauline

I hereby resolve to:

1. Work only on stock that can develop into good or better bonsai *in my lifetime*.
2. Spend more time on winter wiring to leave spring for design and potting.
3. Rework my bonsai display areas to give the bonsai the type of light they need (especially as the growing landscape has changed the light).
4. Continue to keep up with wire removal. (Remember: Take the wire off the day before it injures the tree.)
5. Actually read all the bonsai magazines I subscribe to as they come in rather than waiting until the next winter.
6. Photograph bonsai development and trees to use in my writings.
7. Take whole days off from everything else to spend time on my bonsai.
8. Find the right pot for trees that are still in need.
9. Find trees for the (large) empty pot collection.
10. Continue to attend great bonsai events to learn more and share my knowledge like MABS in April, ABS in June, MABA in July and Portland in September.

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MHBS 2015 programs mark your calendars

- Jan. 25 David Knittle workshop on carving lesson AM, carving practice PM
- Feb. 22 Scroll making
- Mar. 29 land and water penjing with Pauline
- Apr. 17-19 MABS
- Apr. 25 Budi Sulistyos BYO workshop and demo
- May 31 design Hinoki with David Hodgetts lesson and workshop
- June 11-14 ABS Baltimore
- June 28 Mark Arpag designs white cedars
- July 26 Cheryl Manning workshop and demo
- Aug. 30 Accent planting with Pauline lesson and workshop
- Sept. tbd Club show
- Oct. 25 mossing trees and moss gardens with Adriano
- Nov. 22 ideas????
- Dec. Holiday party

ABS 2015 at the Fairbridge Inn (former Ramada), East Hanover, NJ

April 17-19 save the dates

Featuring Budi Sulistyo of Indonesia

Mauro Stemberger of Italy

Peter Tea of California

& special event artists David Knittle and Frank Mihalic

4 great workshops on Friday with great materials

plus critiques of the exhibit

check out www.midatlanticbonsai.org

2015 ABS Learning Seminars



REGIONAL AND NATIONAL EVENTS

ABS next June 11-14 in Baltimore MD.

<http://www.absbonsai.org/2015-abs-learning-symposium>

PLAN WAY AHEAD AND SAVE UP FOR the World

Convention in April of 2017 in JAPAN! ABS will be running a tour to the convention and some great bonsai site seeing also.

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