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Upcoming Events

May Meeting

5/11/2021
6:30PM-9:00PM
ZOOM

Meetings

2nd Tuesday of every month
@ Cheekwood, Massey Hall

2020 Dues

\$30 per member
or
\$40 per family

Blog Roll

[Bonsai Tonight - Repotting A Sierra Juniper With a Compacted Root Ball](#)

[Nebari Bonsai - Losing Trees: The Ben Oki Azalea](#)

[Peter Tea Bonasi - Horticulture of Bonsai, The Beginning...](#)



Hello to all the Members and Guests of the Nashville Bonsai Society!

April Recap:

Apologies for the lack of newsletter in April. Between working a new job and the dozens of trees needing to be repotted, by the time the April newsletter got started, we were already through April. That being said, it was a typical beginning to Spring in Tennessee, with daytime temperatures waking up our trees and night time lows having us chew our fingernails over whether we move them into protection at night or not. Spring is a rewarding time, where we get to see our trees wake up and put on their neon green foliage. By now, our trees are hardening off, the foliage is turning darker green, and a new season of bonsai work awaits us.

April Meeting Recap:



Jonas Dupuich of "Bonsai Tonight" joined us for a Zoom presentation where he spoke in depth about things he wished he would have known as a beginner. Jonas was generous with

his knowledge and his time, taking time out to have individual discussions with members over Zoom and answering general questions. He was a great presenter and we at NBS are grateful he came to append some time with our club!

May Meeting:



Local bonsai pro, Owen Reich, will be joining us via Zoom this month. Having completed an apprenticeship in Japan, Owen has been an important ambassador for bonsai in the Nashville area and beyond for many years.

For our May meeting, Owen will discuss the use of native deciduous material as bonsai. Tennessee and the SouthEast in general are great areas for yamadori collection and offer many species that may be suitable for bonsai, but not in widespread use as of yet. Owen will talk about his experiences in developing native material as it compares to more “traditional” bonsai species. You won’t want to miss this one!

May Tree Talk:

	<u>Tree Talk</u>	<u>How to Respond</u>
Wettest month Avg. Low 57° Avg. High 77° Record Low 34° Record High 96°	Rapid growth of foliage and new branches. Fertilizer breaking down rapidly. Trees taking up lots of water. All systems are up and running at full tilt by the end of the month. Most leaves have grown a waxy cuticle to help protect from sun, wind and diseases. Lots of insect activity in the garden.	Watch for BUGS & DISEASES. The combination of heat and wet create prime conditions for the spread of diseases. Manage foliage once it has hardened off and energy is re-accumulated. This helps to stimulate interior and lateral foliage growth. All trees have moved out of their winter dormancy and are putting on growth. Continue to fertilize and monitor for water needs. Air layer. Continue to feed organic fertilizer.



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2021 Calendar

	January	February	March	April
Monthly Meeting	N/A	Topic: Bonsai Myths and Bonsai Heresy ZOOM – Michael Hagedorn 2/09/2021 6:30pm – 9:00pm	Topic: Spring Repotting Creekside Bonsai 3/13/2021 1:00PM-4:00PM	Topic: Ten Things I Wish I Knew As a Beginner ZOOM - Jonas Dupuich 4/13/2021 6:30PM – 9:00PM
Other Event	N/A	N/A	N/A	TBD
Mentorship	N/A	N/A	N/A	TBD
	May	June	July	August
Monthly Meeting	Topic: Native Deciduous Trees ZOOM – Owen Reich 5/11/2021 6:30PM – 9:00PM	Topic: TBA ZOOM – Bjorn Bjornholm 6/8/2021 6:30PM – 9:00PM	TBD	TBD
Other Event	TBD	TBD	NBS Club Show Cheekwood TBD	TBD
Mentorship	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD
	September	October	November	December
Monthly Meeting	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD
Other Event	TBD	NBS Picnic TBD	TBD	TBD
Mentorship	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD



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