



Next Meeting: 9 AM, August 1, 2026

City of Sunrise Community Center
6800 Sunset Strip Sunrise, FL

PROGRAM: Vlad Foursa BYOT

BRING: tree to work on, trees for the display table, items for the raffle table

Our next meeting will feature Vlad Foursa. Vlad has been the curator of the Morikami Museum's bonsai collection since 2010, and he also teaches bonsai classes there. He is a winner of the Joshua Roth National New Talent Bonsai Competition, among other awards, and has written articles on tropical bonsai. We always look forward to Vlad's visits.

Next month is the first-ever National Tropical Bonsai Exhibition in Houston, Texas. Ed Trout and Mike Lane are representing Florida as event directors, along with Puerto Rico's Pedro Morales and Dawn Koetting and Hurley Johnson from Texas. Unfortunately it conflicts with our September meeting, but if you cannot make it to Texas, Mike Sullivan

will be here with a BYOT workshop at our September meeting.

Our annual auction is in October, and we are looking for volunteers. If you are available on October 3 and can help out, please let us know. We will have a signup list for volunteers and vendors at our next meeting. As this is an election year, we are also looking for people to serve as officers. Jack will be stepping down as secretary so we will definitely need someone to help with the newsletter. If that someone is you, please let us know!

FROM THE MEMBERSHIP VP

Our club's Membership Renewal begins at our August program. BSF has asked that membership dues for 2027 be completed by January 1st. With our auction in October, we have a shortened time period. So, I am requesting that whether you are a primary or secondary member, please come prepared to update your dues. If attending a meeting is difficult, you can send me your check made out to Gold Coast Bonsai Society, and send to Anita Lorenz, 231 Briarwood Circle, Hollywood 33024. Secondary members must include the name of their primary club per BSF as well as informing me of any changes to your residence, email, phone, etc. Please, do not mail checks to anyone but me. If you have questions, contact me at: catsai@att.net.

Primary Club: Single \$30, Household \$35

Secondary Club: Single \$21, Household \$26

Gold Coast Is On Facebook & Instagram!

Facebook – Gold Coast Bonsai Society

Instagram – [goldcoastbonsai](https://www.instagram.com/goldcoastbonsai)

2026 Program Schedule

January: Ficus Demo by Ed Trout & Betty Siskind

February: Toby Diaz BYOT

March: Charles Michelson BYOT

April: Jesus Brito BYOT

May: Hiram Macias BYOT

June: Larry Naeder BYOT

July: No club meeting in July

August: Vlad Foursa BYOT

September: Mike Sullivan BYOT

October: Annual Auction

November: Alex Mendosa Demo

December: Holiday Party

Area Bonsai Events and Meetings:

Please verify dates and times as changes may occur

Saturday, Aug. 1st – 9:00 am (First Saturday of Month) Gold Coast Bonsai Society City of Sunrise Parks & Leisure Dept. 6800 Sunset Strip Sunrise, FL

<http://www.goldcoastbonsai.com/>

Tuesday, Aug. 4th – 7:00 pm (First Tuesday of Month) Bonsai Society of the Palm Beaches Mount's Botanical Garden Auditorium West Palm Beach, Florida www.bonsai-bsf.com/clubs/sites/bspb

Tuesday, Aug 11th – 7:00 pm (Second Tuesday of Month) Bonsai Society of Miami Pinecrest Gardens 11000 Red Rd, Pinecrest, FL 33156 www.bonsaisocietyofmiami.org

Saturday Aug 15th – 9:30am. Broward Bonsai Society Flamingo Gardens Learning Center www.browardbonsai.com

Saturday, Aug 15th – 9 am (Third Saturday of Month) Bonsai Society of Southwest Florida SPALC Building 6281 Metro Plantation Road (Off Metro Parkway between Daniels Parkway and Colonial Blvd) Ft. Meyers, Florida Contact Dorothy Schmitz 239-947-3552 www.thebonsaisswfl.com

Saturday, Aug 22nd – 9:00 (Fourth Saturday of Month) Lighthouse Bonsai Society 9:00 am. www.lighthousebonsai.org

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Ed Trout & Betty Siskind 954-432- 8208

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The American Bonsai Society www.absbonsai.org

The National Bonsai Foundation usna.usda.gov

