

## NBS Links

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## Upcoming Events

### *Mentorship 101*

\*Due to the current coronavirus situation, Mentorship 101 has been cancelled for April.

### *April Meeting*

\*Due to the current coronavirus situation, NBS March meeting has been cancelled\*

## Meetings

2nd Tuesday of every month  
@ Cheekwood, Massey Hall

## 2020 Dues

\$30 per member

or

\$40 per family

## Blog Roll

[Crataegus Bonsai Blog - A Perfect Time for Creativity](#)

[Kaizen Bonsai Blog - 44,000 Hours Well Spent](#)

[NBF Bonsai Blog - NBF Taps Sophia Osorio for 2020 First Curator's Apprentice](#)



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

### *March Recap*

“May you live in interesting times” is a saying with much disputed origins. Regardless of the origination, we are indeed living in interesting times. We at NBS hope that everybody is remaining healthy, safe, and in good spirits during these interesting times. One silver lining is that we all have more time at home to spend with our trees during one of the busiest and most impactful seasons of growing bonsai. While we will miss everyone’s smiling faces this month, we can all remain active on social media and post our questions and advice via Facebook and email.

### *March Meeting*



Our March meeting consisted of repotting at Edwin Werner Park. We couldn’t have asked for a nicer day to repot, and the mild weather this month will give all of our trees a great jumpstart in health. Thanks to everyone who

came out to repot trees and especially to those experienced members who came out to provide helpful tips and advice for repotting.



## April – Care Calendar

<p>Last frost</p> <p>Avg. Low 47° Avg. High 70° Record Low 23° Record High 91°</p>	<p>Tree Talk:</p> <p>During early spring, the trees are re-accumulating energy through photosynthesis. Trees are actively growing whenever temps are between 42° and 92°. Water needs continue to increase. We see fertilizer breaking down. Foliage continues to harden off as the leaves build their protective cuticles. Buds for the second flush are setting and swelling. Juniper tips are extending. Pine candles extending.</p>	<p>How to Respond:</p> <p>Check for water needs 2X a day. Watch trees carefully for pests and diseases. Rotate trees 1/4 turn every week. If we are looking for smaller leaves or more ramification, we can partially defoliate after leaves have hardened off. Fertilize deciduous after leaves harden off. Apply 2nd round of organic fertilizer for evergreens that are still in development (working on primary branching). Fertilize newly repotted trees when we see new growth (usually 4-6 weeks).</p>
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### Mentorship 101 - March



Our March Mentorship class was a flurry of education and hands on experience repotting Japanese Maples. Eileen spoke about fertilizer and what numbers we need to watch as we fertilize. She then spoke about all of the various little pests we will be fighting in the upcoming seasons! After that, we all went outside to pot up some Japanese Maples. Although our April Mentorship has been rainchecked, make sure you study up because the next mentorship will be the final exam!!



## 2020 Calendar

	January	February	March	April
<b>Monthly Meeting</b>	N/A	Topic: <b>Club Tree Discussion + Bonsai Pots</b> 2/11/2020 6:30pm – 9:00pm	Topic: <b>Bonsai Repotting at Edwin Warner Park</b> 3/14/2020 10:00am – 2:00pm	Topic: <b>Deciduous Trees with Owen Reich</b>  **CANCELLED**
<b>Other Event</b>	N/A	<b>Nashville Lawn &amp; Garden Show</b> 2/27/2020 -3/1/2020	<b>Field Trip</b>  TBD	<b>Member Garden Tour &amp; Music City Bonsai Open House</b>  **CANCELLED**
<b>Mentorship</b>	<b>101 Class</b> 1/4/2020 10am-2pm  Soil and Top Dressing	<b>101 Class</b> 2/1/2020 10am-2pm  Repotting Trident Maple	<b>101 Class</b> 3/7/2020 10am-2pm Japanese Maples / Pests & Diseases	<b>101 Class</b> 4/4/2020 10am-2pm  **CANCELLED**
	May	June	July	August
<b>Monthly Meeting</b>	Topic: <b>Collected Trees with Arthur Leago</b> 5/12/2020 6:30pm – 9:00pm	Topic: <b>White Cedar Demo with John Wall</b> 6/9/2020 6:30pm – 9:00pm	Topic: <b>Joinery Techniques of Bonsai Stands w/ Doug Ross</b> 7/14/2020 6:30pm – 9:00pm	Topic: <b>Shohin Bonsai with Shannon Salyer</b> 8/11/2020 6:30pm – 9:00pm
<b>Other Event</b>	<b>Turnbull Creek Open House</b> TBD	<b>Bring Your Own Tree Workshop w/ Owen Reich</b> TBD	<b>NBS Club Show</b> 7/18/2020 – 7/19/2020	<b>Carving Day w/ Arthur Leago</b> TBD
<b>Mentorship</b>	<b>Tree Work</b> TBD	<b>Tree Work</b> Prep Show Trees TBD	<b>Tree Work</b> TBD	<b>Make Your Own Pot Workshop</b> TBD
	September	October	November	December
<b>Monthly Meeting</b>	Topic: <b>Arthur Joura</b> 9/8/2020 6:30pm – 9:00pm	Meeting combined with picnic and auction	<b>TBD</b>	N/A
<b>Other Event</b>	<b>Cheekwood Moon Viewing</b> TBD <b>Golden Arrow Bonsai Workshop - TBD</b>	<b>Fall Picnic + Auction</b> 10/11/2020 <b>Adam Jones Workshop</b> 10/12/2020	<b>TBD</b>	N/A
<b>Mentorship</b>	<b>Tree Work</b> TBD	<b>TBD</b>	<b>TBD</b>	N/A



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## Some Helpful Links:

Since we are all cooped up at home and won't be able to make any bonsai events this month, it might be helpful to use this time to watch some videos on Bonsai Techniques. There are some great videos out there that we can learn from while we are sheltering in place:

Bonsai Mirai: [SPRING FUNDAMENTALS](#)  
[GROWTH PERPETUATION](#)

Eise-En Bonsai U: [TURNING JAPANESE MAPLES SEEDLINGS INTO CLUMP STYLE BONSAI](#)

Sandev Bonsai: [PRUNING TECHNIQUES FOR RAMIFICATION](#)

Appalachian Bonsai: [SOIL TEST PART 1 - WATER RETENTION](#)  
[SOIL TEST PART 2 - FREEZE/THAW CYCLES](#)

These videos all display some unique techniques and can help lead you down a rabbit hole of various techniques, styles, and ideas for your Bonsai this season.



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### *Next Meeting*

There will be no NBS meetings or workshops for the month of April. Hopefully, the coronavirus will be far behind us by the time May rolls around and we can get back to business as usual in our club. Should you have any questions or need help, please don't hesitate to contact one of us at the emails listed below. You can also post pictures, questions, and ask for advice through our Facebook page where we monitor for new posts daily. Again, we at NBS wish all of you a safe and productive month. Take this time to work on your trees, be with family, and start on some of those home projects you may have been putting off!



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