NBS Links

<u>NBS Website</u> <u>NBS Facebook</u>

Upcoming Events

Mentorship 101 1/4/2020, 10am-2pm @ John Cole's Home

February Meeting

Don't forget your membership dues! 2/11/2020, 6:30pm-9pm @ Cheekwood

Meetings

2nd Tuesday of every month @ Cheekwood, Massey Hall

2020 Dues

\$30 per memberor\$40 per family

Blog Roll

<u>Crataegus Bonsai - A</u> <u>Holiday Story</u>

<u>National Bonsai Federation -</u> <u>The Chinese Banyan</u>

Valavanis Bonsai - Kokko-En Bonsai Garden of Yasushi Yoshimura



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

December Recap

We at the Nashville Bonsai Society hope that you all had wonderful holidays spent with loved ones and cheer! December is a time of reflecting on our trees and planning what the new year is to bring. January is the month to start making or purchasing soil, cleaning and disinfecting your benches, and planning on what trees will go into which pots. We are all patiently waiting on our trees to wake up – and we have some time to wait still – but Spring repotting season will be on us before we know it and it pays to be ready!

January Meeting

There will be no meeting in January. Our first meeting of 2020 will be held on Tuesday, February 11th in our usual place in Massey Hall at Cheekwood.

All membership dues become payable in January 2020. We have been able to keep the cost of membership the same, thanks to the wonderful volunteer spirit of our club members. An individual membership costs \$30 and family membership is \$40. If you would like to mail your check to Eileen Knox, please email her (eileenknox@me.com) for her street address. Or, bring your check book or cash with you to the February 11th meeting.

January – Care Calendar

Coldest Month	How to Respond:
Avg. Low 28°	Great time to treat for over-
Avg. High 46°	wintering pests and diseases. Check
Record Low 17°	once a week for water needs. Most
Record High 78°	trees that are mulched in, protected
Tree Talk:	from wind and have been outside all
Trees are dormant and using very little	winter can tolerate 14°- 18°
water. Some buds may begin to swell. (3)	temperatures by now.

Mentorship 101 - January



For those enrolled in the 101 Mentorship Course, we finally get to meet again! The third mentorship class will meet at John Cole's on Saturday, January 4th from 10-2. We will explore the science of bonsai soils and make bonsai repotting chopsticks. All NBS members are welcome to attend as observers. Our class roster of 17 will be paired with their mentors.

John Cole will also be leading a field trip on this day to collect pillow moss for our top dressing. If you want to collect moss, definitely bring a putty knife to help scrape it up! Recycled plastic grocery bags make for a great way to carry all of that moss back to the class.

2020 Calendar

To be Announced.



Nashville Lawn and Garden Show

The Lawn and Garden Show is scheduled for February 27th through March 1st. We have been given a highly visible location right by the front entrance in the brand-new Fairgrounds Complex. We would like this year's display to be our best one ever!

Please look over your collection for trees you would like to show. Deciduous trees with mature ramification? Conifers with interesting deadwood? We can all work together and share our display materials, like stands and jitas to create an outstanding display. Email Eileen (<u>eileenknox@me.com</u>) with photos of your trees. We swap out trees daily so the display is different and interesting each day. We need lots of trees.

Also, look over your calendar and see when you will be available to volunteer to help staff our booth. This is a labor-intensive weekend and we need all hands-on deck. Can you find two hours to hang out at the booth? You don't need to know a lot about bonsai. You already know more than 99.9? of folks at the show. They are interested in how old the trees are and what kind of trees are in the display. We provide this information for you. We also need volunteers who will be willing to work on their trees as part of our demonstration at the booth. Display set up is on Wednesday February 26th from 3-7 pm.

We will have only one general meeting for sign-ups. So, we are reaching out now. Please contact Eileen Knox <u>eileenknox@me.com</u> and let her know when you can volunteer and what tree/trees you want to show. Our Home Page photo came from our first year at the show. Time for a new one?





Located at the Garden Stop 6304 Hills Chapel Road Nashville , TN. 37211 Corner of Nolensville Rd and Hills Chapel Rd just south of Lenox Village.

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Bonsai Trees

Prebonsai trees in nursery pots Bonsai pots and training pots Soil components and premixed soil. Wire- Aluminum and Copper Cut paste , screens, lime sulfer and more.

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