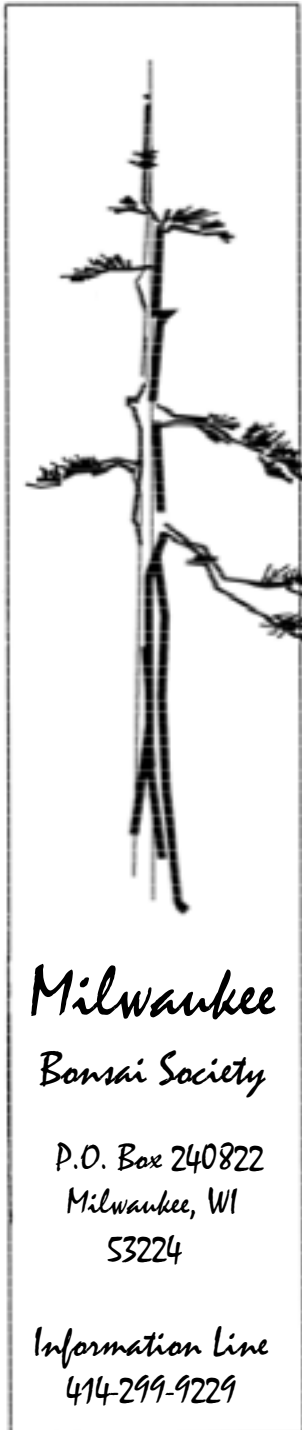


AUGUST 2014

Bonsai News



*Milwaukee
Bonsai Society*

P.O. Box 240822
Milwaukee, WI
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Information line
414-299-9229

Tuesday night meeting

MBS welcomes Charlotte Fung Miller. Mrs. Miller is a native of San Francisco's Chinatown. She studied 9 years of formal Chinese calligraphy and 7 years of Chinese brush painting under Master Lui-Sang Wong of San Francisco. She earned an M.S. degree in nutritional science and a B.A. in bacteriology at the University of California at Berkeley.

Painting is done in watercolor on rice paper. No shadowing is used and depth is achieved only through gradation of color. However, Mrs Miller adds her own individual style through the use of more color and the introduction of Midwestern themes. She especially delights in the colors of Wisconsin's changing seasons. Mrs Miller has received numerous awards, including the 'Featured Artist Award' for PBS television. She has also taught courses in Chinese art and cooking, her philosophy being, "I will be able to share my heritage with others."

Visit her website:

cfungmiller.com

2014 Events

AUGUST

August 1-10 - STATE FAIR

Aug 5 - Club Meeting

Guest artist - painter
Charlotte Fung Miller

**August 15-17 - Midwest Bonsai
Show at Chicago Botanical
Garden**

SEPTEMBER

Sept 2 - Club Meeting
Spruce follow-up with
Jack Douthitt

Sept 19 - Annual Show
reception with Colin Lewis
Sept 20-21 - ANNUAL SHOW
and workshops*

Sept 19 - Public Workshop

OCTOBER

Oct 4-5 Suthin workshops*
Oct 7 - SOCIETY MEETING
Artist Suthin Sukosolvisit
Oct 12 (Sun) - Open workshop
fall clean-up 10-2
Oct 19 Intermediate Class
#4*

***Members only**

NEXT MEETING

Tuesday August 5 - 6:45

Boerner Botanical Gardens

President's Message

It's August . . .
and that means State Fair. The amount of work that goes into preparing for 3 consecutive exhibits, arranging for show trees and their transportation in and out of the Fair, and scheduling judges and tree sitters is amazing! Kris Z is the event chair and does an exemplary job, many thanks, Kris. State Fair gives MBS it's biggest public exposure during the 11 days of the Fair but it takes a lot of help to make it a success. We still need a few more tree sitters. Don't forget that a ticket to the Fair is provided for tree sitters (although no parking). If you've never done this before. It's easy and fun! So if you would like to spend some time at the Fair please call Steve Co to schedule a time to tree sit (414-774-7714).

Also if you have a tree to display, call or email Kris 262-512-1228
hagr8d@mac.com

- *Greg*

All the information you need about State Fair, tree drop off and pickup, times, places, etc are on the next page.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION
about our Annual Exhibit is on pages 4 and 5. Please read carefully as you will be able to sign up for workshops at our August meeting.

Congrats to Judy S. Grand champion winner of Bluemels Beautification Award.
<http://www.bluemels.com/2014-beautification-results/4584796974>



**What tree is this?
Find out later in this issue...**

STATE FAIR 2014 - Are you interested in [entering a tree at State Fair?](#) If you have never exhibited before, please consider doing so this year. Classes are: Youth, Novice, Intermediate, Advanced and Open. **Please sign up at Club meetings or call 262-512-1228 to participate.**

STATE FAIR EXHIBIT SCHEDULE 2014

Exhibit #1 (July 31 - August 2)
Exhibit #2 (August 3 - August 6)
Exhibit #3 (August 7 - August 10)

Exhibit #1

Deliver trees to **
Wednesday, July 30 from 6pm - 6:30pm

Pick up trees from **
Sunday, Aug 3 from 9am - 9:30am

Exhibit #2

Deliver trees to **
Saturday, Aug 2 from 6pm - 6:30pm

Pick up trees from **
Thursday, Aug 7 from 9am - 9:30am

Exhibit #3

Deliver trees to **
Wednesday, Aug 6 6pm - 6:30pm OR
bring to Society meeting Tuesday Aug 5

Pick up trees from **
Monday Aug, 11 from 9am - 9:30am

** Strip mall parking lot approx. 102nd and National, just west of Baker's Square. Turn in by the Sentry/Fashion Bug sign. Meet in the area nearest the street (National)



When checking in please bring:

- + your list of scientific names and common names,
- + the approximate age of the tree,
- + stand, accent, sketch of display, and the proposed style of tree.

HAVING A PICTURE OF YOUR SET-UP IS RECOMMENDED!!

It is also wise to mark all components of your display with your name.

(an address sticker is usually adequate)

Note: If the drop off/pick up schedule is not good for you, please make personal arrangements for your trees with someone who will care for them. YOU must alert the crew about these arrangements so trees will not be misdirected, lost or stolen.

To exhibit a tree call or email

Kris at 262-512-1228, hagr8d@mac.com

Good luck and thanks for supporting the MBS 2014 State Fair committee.

For specific information as to whether your tree will qualify to be entered at State Fair, please go to:

http://www.wistatefair.com/pdfs/competitions/entry_info/general_info/hort/society_shows.pdf

Go to Bonsai info... p14-15

If you wish to help out at State Fair by greeting people who pass by our exhibit, please contact Steve by phone or email: 414-774-7714 or stephen.contney@att.net

44th Annual Exhibit

September 19-21 2014

By Pam Woythal

We're counting down to the 44th Annual Exhibit, and I hear the familiar buzz. We'll again welcome members of our Bonsai community and their families and friends. For some of you, this will be your first exhibit. Prepare to be inspired. For many of you, this will be an extended family reunion—and something you look forward to year after year. I know I do. Prepare to be re-energized.

I am very aware that getting ready for Annual Exhibit is nearly a year-round effort. And I want to thank you for all you do to prepare – and how you put your heart into hosting a great event for our members. You always bring out our best. The strength of our membership—commitment to each other—sets us apart from all other bonsai organizations.

Annual Exhibit reminds us (every year!) that what makes us great is not any single individual or any one idea, but the work of all of us – day in and day out – who make this organization extraordinary. Thanks again for everything you do to make Milwaukee Bonsai Society an organization we are all proud to be part of.

This year our featured artist is Colin Lewis. He has contributed 17 books with his most popular being the *Bonsai Survival Guide*. He has been growing bonsai as an artistic discipline for over thirty years, beginning in his native England and now in the USA. One of his personal goals is that to each bonsai he creates to be different, as original as possible. He believes learning good techniques and horticultural practices are as important as good design. He helps students observe these traditional aesthetics to achieve their own style.

The exhibit will be held at the Education and Visitor Center at Boerner Botanical Gardens. We will accept exhibit trees from members on Thursday evening, September 18. Friday we will have the judging, followed by our evening traditional reception with guest artist critique. Saturday we will start the day with a material provided workshops geared to anyone who wants to get started with a Spruce (or add another one) for all levels of members.



Our featured event on Saturday afternoon will include a unique educational experience. For the first hour, Colin will work on MBS' hemlock. Then, we invite members to bring in trees for Colin to work on. These trees are limited to conifers with preference toward pines, yews and spruces. Colin will select trees for demonstration based on their teaching potential. Bring any trees that you are willing to put in the selection pool. Time permitting Colin will get to many of these trees, however your tree may not be chosen. This lecture/demonstration is available to everyone but only members can provide trees. Following the demonstration we will have a banquet so we can enjoy each other's company and share our welcoming attitude with Colin. Following the banquet, everyone is welcome to participate in a fundraising raffle.

Sunday morning we have another excellent opportunity to obtain material suitable for our area, a yew, and



work with an outstanding bonsai artist. The afternoon workshop is a small Bring Your Own material, take a look at one of your own trees with the artist of transformation and come up with a new unique style, or advance the tree along its current path with Colin Lewis's guidance.

Watch the website and newsletter for more details! Expect to sign up for one of the very few workshops at the August meeting.

Short Schedule:

Thursday September 18, 2014		
5:00PM--7:30PM	Tree Drop Off	
Friday September 19, 2014		
6:00PM--9:00PM	Reception and Lecture/Critique with Colin Lewis open to everyone	
Saturday September 20, 2014		
9:00AM--12:30PM	Get Started with Spruce Workshop with Colin Lewis	
10:00AM--5:00PM	Exhibit and Vendor Area open to everyone	
1:00PM--5:00PM	Demonstration and Lecture with Colin Lewis open to everyone	
6:00PM--8:00PM	Banquet	
Sunday September 21, 2014		
9:00AM--12:30PM	Get Started with Yew Workshop with Colin Lewis	
10:00AM--5:00PM	Exhibit and Vendor Area open to everyone	
1:00PM--4:30PM	BYO material with Colin Lewis	
5:00PM--5:30PM	Tree Pick Up	

Call for Raffle Items We are working to collect items to use in our Annual Exhibit with Colin Lewis and we need your help! Do you or someone you know have items of value that could be donated? Bring them to the meeting! Email or call and I will arrange pick up (mbsweb@hotmail.com). "Big hits" in the past have included:

- Artwork such as scrolls or jewelry
- Tool roll with tools
- Sara Raynor or large pots
- Themed Baskets or Wine
- Memorabilia or Collectibles like autographed books or aprons
- Gift Certificates
- And of course cash or Bonsai

Donations to the Annual Exhibit raffle are tax-deductible. Bring the donated article with a note with your name, donated items, and the estimated value to the meeting. Susan L., Judy H. or myself will make sure you get a letter for the IRS.

Call for Exhibit Trees Your opportunity to share your art with the community. Everyone enjoys viewing these trees and the only way to have a successful exhibit is to have everyone display their art. Please share your art. Drop off will be Thursday Sep 18, more information soon. **Start preparing a tree.**

Enjoy a Workshop or Banquet

Complete the form:

<http://www.milwaukeebonsai.org/Newsletters/AnnualExhibitRegistration.pdf>

Registrations will begin being accepted at the August meeting 6:00 PM

Bring your completed registration form to the August meeting to be sure you get the workshops you want.

After the meeting mail to:

Pam Woythal, 8670 N Point Drive, Milwaukee, WI 53217

Stay current with the Annual Exhibit at: <http://www.milwaukeebonsai.org/ae>



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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

Next Meeting of MBS
Tuesday August 5, 2014
Boerner Botanical Gardens
9400 Boerner Dr
Hales Corners, WI 53130

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Second VP	Susan L
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Treasurer	Barbara S
Director	
Director	Teri W
Director	Steve Ca.
Past Pres.	Steve Con.

Other Club Functions:

Newsletter - Kris Z
Webmaster - Pam W
Director of Children's Education - Jean S
PAB Board - Rob P, Ron F & Houston S



Bonsai on display
Admiring crowds passing by
Beauty shared with all

- Joe Nemeec