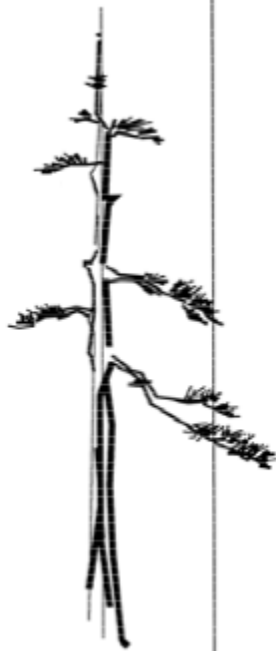


# BONSAI NEWS

November 2021



*Milwaukee  
Bonsai Society  
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## Upcoming meeting

Our November 6th meeting will have 3 parts:

1-More time for shopping, talking and asking questions before the start of the actual meeting

2-A display and talk about trees that members have bought at nurseries and garden centers. The members will explain what the trees looked like when they were bought and how the changes were made.

**\*\*Members please bring your trees and participate in this part\*\***

3-A talk by Brian S and Steve C on fall care and pruning of trees

**\*\*\*Masks are required at Boerner**



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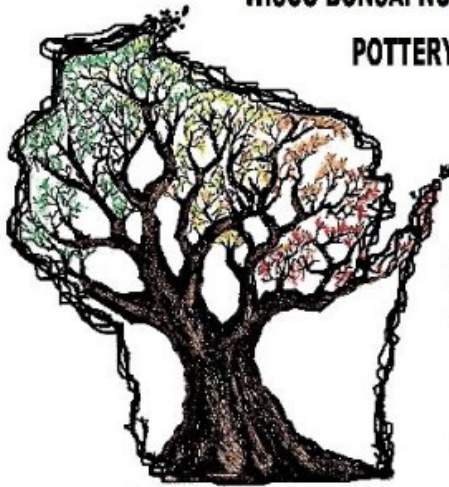
## July

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## Next Meeting

**November 6,  
9am  
At Boerner  
Botanical**

**WISCO BONSAI NOW HAS THE AREA'S LARGEST SELECTION OF ARTISIAN, HANDMADE BONSAI POTTERY, MUCH OF WHICH CONSISTS OF LOCAL AND REGIONAL ARTISTS.**



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**WE ALSO NOW CARRY A LINE OF TOOLS GEARED TOWARD THE BEGINNER AND NOVICE AMONG US, ALONG WITH ALL MANNER OF BONSAI SUNDRIES, SUCH AS, COPPER & ALUMINUM WIRE, JIN SEAL, WOUND PUTTY, ETC.**

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**DUE TO COVID, SHOP CURRENTLY OPEN BY APPOINTMENT ONLY AND ALL SAFETY MEASURES ARE IN PLACE.**



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# MBS Annual Exhibit 50th Anniversary

T-shirts are here and ready for purchase

Sizes available are: Small–3XL

\$15 will get you this limited edition shirt

Contact Melissa J at [missyuc2@yahoo.com](mailto:missyuc2@yahoo.com)

or 414-350-5924

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BACK



# My Two Cents

By Melissa J

So far in 2021 we have gained 53 new members to our club which is fantastic considering we started the year having ZOOM meetings, not getting together or having workshops. New members keep our club going with fresh ideas for the future. We can't keep doing the same thing time after time just because it worked in the past; new ideas and opinions add variety and keep meetings fresh and interesting.

Having seasoned members is also a good thing as they are the backbone of our club. We need mentors for those without as much experience. Bonsai is a hobby that takes practice with knowledge that needs to be acquired over time. The easiest way to gain this knowledge is to pass down information from long time members to those who are just starting out. And our club does a great job of sharing and offering information and opinions. In fact I don't know anyone in the club who does not enjoy talking bonsai if asked; sometimes even without being asked!

My advice for all the new members is to attend the monthly meetings. You will gain a lot of knowledge from these meetings. Also, if you have a tree that you need help in caring for or styling, bring the tree to the meeting and ask another member for their help or opinion before the actual meeting starts. Anyone with some experience will offer help and guidance.

The meetings are planned to be informative for everyone. The Executive Committee, when planning the meetings, takes into consideration what a new member might want to learn as well as trying to keep the members who have been with the club for years interested and engaged. The meetings are designed with everyone in mind.

If anyone has an idea for a meeting or an artist they would like the club to consider bringing in for a workshop, just talk to a member of the Executive Committee. The balance of 2021 and the 2022 schedule is listed further in this newsletter and it promises to be an interesting year.

In the mean time, get those trees ready for winter!

# 2021 FALL BEGINNER WORKSHOP #1

## GRADUATES



The first of 2 beginner workshops took place on Saturday, September 25th, this year with 30 participants at Boerner. A sold out class! The beginners received a ficus to work on and were guided through the styling process by one of the 15 members who volunteered to help the students. Everyone left with a bonsai “masterpiece” and a new understanding of our hobby.

This first workshop filled up so fast we had a waitlist and decided to add a second beginner workshop on October 30th. The trees for this second class are portulacarias. This class is also sold out already!

If you can help at the October 30th workshop, please contact [Bryan L.](#)



# OCTOBER 2021 MBS MEETING

## WINTER STORAGE



The October 2nd MBS meeting was well attended with many new members showing up! This month's topic was winter storage. A few different members talked about how they store their trees over the winter. Many tips and tricks were discussed. The meeting concluded with Brian S. talking about his experiences with storing his trees over the winter.



# 2021/2022 Meeting Schedule & Topics

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## August

Aug 4-14—State Fair

Aug 6 — Summer cutback

## September

September 3 — Wire a tree

September—Beginner workshop

## October

October 1 — How to hunt/select nursery material

## November

Nov 5 — Fall work; cutback, shoot selection

## December

December 3 — Holiday Social





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November 6, 2021 @ 9am  
Boerner Botanical Gardens

## 2021 MBS OFFICERS

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Second VP [Erich B](#)  
Secretary [Rick W](#)  
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Director [John N](#)  
Director [Greg R](#)  
Director [Dave M](#)  
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## Other Club Functions

Newsletter [Melissa J](#)  
Webmaster [Pam W](#)

PAB Board—Ron F, Houston S & Judy S



Golden butterflies

Float down to the soft, moist ground

And rest till fall ends

~Renee H Chyso