



PINION PINE - PAUL KOENNING

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President's Message

by David McPeters

As I write we are in the middle of one of the temperature plunges common in the Rockies. Sunday and Monday the high was 60F. Today the high is 17F with lows below 0. Shake and bake weather. But the days are getting noticeably longer.

We are meeting in person at Denver Botanic Gardens for our March meeting. Something we have been waiting for a long time. The meeting is in the auditorium of the Freyer-Newman Center. We will be streaming the meeting as well. I hope to see you there but understand completely if it is too soon for you. I notice that every decision to go out in the public is now a conscience decision for me whereas before I just went where I pleased without a thought.

Paul Koenning will be doing a presentation on his experience keeping bonsai in varying situations and the lessons he has learned related to light and water quality, and fertilizers both indoors and outdoors.

Our Beginners Bonsai Class is scheduled for April 2nd, June 18th, and September 24th at Denver Botanic Gardens. The cost of the class is \$50 for all three sessions and will include a Juniper procumbens 'Nana'. The classes will be taught by RMBS members. There is a limit to eight participants so if you are interested be on the lookout and signup quickly. As soon as we have eight participants they will notified. A registration email with information about payment will be sent separately.

We are trying something new this year, members only workshops. You must be current in dues to be eligible for these workshops. Additionally, each workshop is limited to four members. If demand exceeds four, a random drawing will be done to select the participants. RMBS will cover the costs of these workshops. Emails with signup info will be sent separately.

Linda Paul is hosting a workshop on May 22nd from 9am till noon on creating concrete slabs and pots. The objective is to teach techniques, tools, and materials. Materials to create a pot or slab will be provided by RMBS.

Mike Britten is hosting a series of meetings and workshops on collecting in June. There will be three separate events participants must attend. The first will be a 1-2 hour zoom call to cover legal requirements, ethical considerations, necessary tools and materials, and safety. This will be followed by a scouting trip to the collecting site to locate potential trees and assess collectability. And last, a final trip to the collecting site for each participant to collect one tree. RMBS will secure and pay for the collecting permit.

2022 is shaping up nicely with good programs, workshops, auctions, and of the annual show.

2023? American Bonsai Society and RMBS have started planning for the 2023 ABS Learning Seminars scheduled for Denver. A national show meets all the objectives of our stated club mission. Those of you who were at the 2012 ABS convention can appreciate the value of hosting such a show and the work involved. Stay tuned!

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Changes to the Program Schedule

Please note some changes to our published schedule have been made due to requests from the presenters or conflicts with reserving a meeting room at the Denver Botanic Gardens. Most notably; Young Choe, who had been scheduled for May, will now be coming to our club meeting and doing a workshop at the end of August, Bjorn Bjorholm will be our presenter for May, and our own RMBS member Will Kerns will be the speaker at our June meeting. Those changes are highlighted in yellow on our calendar to draw attention to these changes. Also note that the meetings for the months of August, September and October will occur at the end of the months instead of the first Tuesday. As we regroup to hopefully live meetings at Denver Botanic Gardens we will also offer live streaming at DBG for our two on-line presentations in May and September.

A return to live meetings will also allow us to have raffles, in person demos, refreshments in specified rooms, social time, access to our library, perhaps a return to the short program when a tree is brought in to discuss- what do you see? Please wear a mask if you feel comfortable doing so, only bring water to drink into the auditorium.

The Rocky Mountain Bonsai Society website RMBonsai.org will be updated shortly with the full power point presentation Mike Britten did last month on containers. Mike is a long time RMBS member and very experienced bonsai artist, his presentation was excellent! Look for updates shortly under the Education menu.

Pat Deutschman, Secretary

RESOURCES FOR MEMBERS

[Rocky Mountain Bonsai Society | Facebook](#) Post and view photos from RMBS members, post questions, comment

[Rocky Mountain Bonsai Society Forum](#) RMBS website forum has articles of interest

[Rocky Mountain Bonsai Society \(@rocky_mountain_bonsai_society\) • Instagram photos and videos](#) View or post photos

[Rocky Mountain Bonsai Society - YouTube](#) RMBS meetings recorded appear here, other videos of interest including RMBS show

[Rmbonsai.org](#) RMBS website – headers: News & Events, Galleries, Join, Blog, Forum, Education

Other resources

[Colorado Bonsai Ltd.](#)
[First Branch Bonsai](#)
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[RMBS Facebook Page](#)
[Mike Horine Website](#)

Rocky Mountain Bonsai Society Dues info.

Annual membership renewals were due July 1. Individual membership is \$35 per year, a family membership is \$50 per year. Since we are currently following social distancing measures, please send a check to:

Rocky Mountain Bonsai Society

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2021 SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS AND ACTIVITIES

Date and Location	Agenda or Program
<u>March Monthly Meeting</u> Tuesday, March 1, 7PM Denver Botanic Gardens-Freyer Newman Auditorium	<u>PAUL KOENNING</u> SPRING WORK FOR BONSAI SUCCESSFUL BONSAI CULTIVATION
<u>April Monthly Meeting</u> Tuesday, April 5, 7PM Denver Botanic Gardens	<u>TODD SCHLAFER</u> LIVE BONSAI DEMO
<u>May Monthly Meeting</u> Tuesday, May 3, 7PM On line via Zoom	<u>BJORN BJORHOLM</u> VIRTUAL DEMO AND PRESENTATION
<u>June Monthly Meeting</u> Tuesday, June 7, 7PM Denver Botanic Gardens	<u>WILL KERNS</u> TBD
<u>July Workshop</u> Saturday July 2, all day Denver Botanic Gardens	<u>SERGIO CUAN</u>
<u>July Monthly Meeting</u> Tuesday, July 5 Denver Botanic Gardens	<u>SERGIO CUAN</u> DECIDUOUS BONSAI
<u>August Workshop</u> Saturday, August 20, All Day Denver Botanic Gardens	<u>YOUNG CHOE</u> CREATING KUSAMONO
<u>August Monthly Meeting</u> <u>Tuesday, August 23, 7PM</u> Denver Botanic Gardens	<u>YOUNG CHOE</u> CREATING KUSAMONO
<u>Annual RMBS Bonsai Exhibit</u> Friday Sept 2 – Set up and members event Saturday Sept 3-Sunday September 4 - exhibit open Denver Botanic Gardens	<u>ANNUAL SHOW</u>
<u>September Monthly Meeting</u> <u>Tuesday, September 27, 7PM</u> Live Stream	<u>RYAN NEIL</u> ROCKY MOUNTAIN PINES
<u>October Workshop</u> Saturday, October 22, All Day Denver Botanic Gardens	<u>JENNIFER PRICE</u>
<u>October Monthly Meeting</u> <u>Tuesday, October 25, 7PM</u> Denver Botanic Gardens	<u>JENNIFER PRICE</u>

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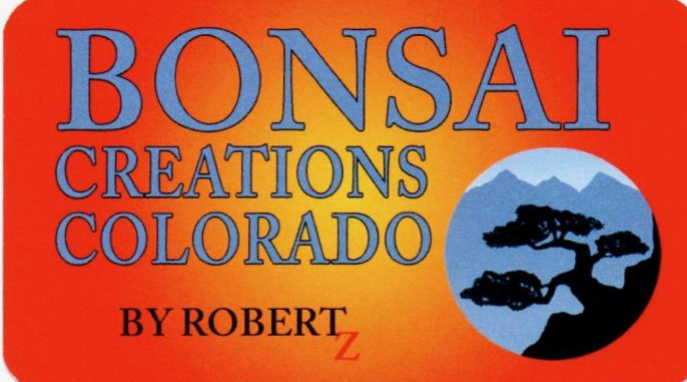
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