

# RAMIFICATION

## THE NEWSLETTER OF



The Bonsai Society of Miami

### April 2008 - President's Corner

Hello Bonsai Friends,

What a fantastic program last month with Toby Diaz. You could see it in his smile. He was really enjoying what he was doing. His wiring technique and ability to style trees really showed. The turnout for his program was overwhelming and he was able to help so many fellow members shape and wire their trees. It sure was nice to see him and have him back at our meeting. We miss Toby and hope he can make it to more of our future meetings and on behalf of our members, we want to thank Toby for such an enjoyable program.

This month, we are honored to have Mary Miller conduct a workshop at our general meeting April 8th. What a great opportunity this is for us to see and experience one of the best Bonsai artists in our community. She will be conducting a 10-step program to better bonsai. Like our other B.Y.O.T. workshops, I'm sure we will have a full house so we have to limit participation to the first 12 current members with only one tree each. Even though space is limited, please come out and see and enjoy her program. You don't want to miss out and I'm sure we all will learn from one of the very best in Bonsai. I really look forward to her famous magic cloth. Also, this month, don't forget about our visiting bonsai artist Michael Hagadorn on Monday night, March 31<sup>st</sup>, at 7:00 P.M. The workshop is sold out, but come out to see him in action, working with your fellow members and their trees.

This month, on Saturday, April 12<sup>th</sup>, Gold Coast Bonsai Society is having their annual auction. Check out the times and location in the calendar of events and if you can, please go and support them as they support us for our auction.

This month is a great time to bring in your trees for the display table. You'll have the opportunity to have Mary critique them and get her expert opinion and ideas. Now is the time to bring in items for the raffle table as well. It's been pretty bare lately, so I'm going to challenge you all to bring in something! Also, be sure to bring in your cash. We also need help with our web site. We encourage our members to send articles of interest to Peter, our webmaster, to post on the web site. It could be pictures of trees or any other pictures of interest you have taken on vacation. Send pictures of trees you are working on, or articles of interest. Let's make our web site and newsletter even more enjoyable, and if there are any vendors that would like to link or advertise on our web site, let Peter know.

Don't forget about the B.S.F. Annual Bonsai convention at the cape. They need volunteers for several areas like raffles and workshops. If you want to help out, contact Ben Liss at [The Gold Coast Bonsai Society](#). You can check out times and dates at [The Bonsai Society of Florida](#) web site or go to our web site and link to the B.S.F. site. A Special Note: B.S.F. needs people to sign up for the scholarship contest.

See you at the meeting,

Glenn

# **CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

## **April 2008**

- 8<sup>th</sup> **BSM's General Meeting - featuring Mary Miller, 7:30pm**  
Fairchild Tropical Botanic Garden, 10901 Old Cutler Rd.
- \* 12<sup>th</sup> **Gold Coast Bonsai Society's Yearly Auction, 9:00am**  
City of Sunrise Parks and Leisure, 6800 Sunset Strip, Sunrise
- 15<sup>th</sup> **BSM Board Meeting 7:00 at Amos' Sports Grill (OPEN)**  
US 1 & SW 104 St., All members welcome
- 19<sup>th</sup> **Workshop at Miami Tropical Bonsai, 9am to 12 noon**  
for more info call 305-258-0865
- 26<sup>th</sup> **Workshop at Miami Tropical Bonsai, 9am to 12 noon**  
for more info call 305-258-0865

## **May 2008**

- 10th **Gold Coast Bonsai Society, 9:00am**  
City of Sunrise Parks and Leisure, 6800 Sunset Strip, Sunrise
- 13th **BSM General Meeting— B.Y.O.T., 7:30pm**  
Fairchild Tropical Botanic Garden, 10901 Old Cutler Rd.
- 20th **BSM Board Meeting 7:00 at Amos' Sports Grill (OPEN)**  
US 1 & SW 104 St., All members welcome
- 17th **Workshop at Miami Tropical Bonsai, 9am to 12 noon**  
for more info call 305-258-0865
- 24th **Workshop at Miami Tropical Bonsai, 9am to 12 noon**  
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## **June 2008**

- 10th **BSM General Meeting - featuring Ed Trout 7:30pm**  
Fairchild Tropical Botanic Garden, 10901 Old Cutler Rd.
- 14th **Gold Coast Bonsai Society, 9:00am**  
City of Sunrise Parks and Leisure, 6800 Sunset Strip, Sunrise
- 17th **BSM Board Meeting 7:00 at Amos' Sports Grill (OPEN)**  
US 1 & SW 104 St., All members welcome
- 21st **Workshop at Miami Tropical Bonsai, 9am to 12 noon**  
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- 28th **Workshop at Miami Tropical Bonsai, 9am to 12 noon**  
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PLEASE BE SURE TO CHECK OUR UPDATED WEBSITE @ <http://www.bonsaisocietyofmiami.org/>  
Special thanks to our webmaster, Peter Griffiths

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**BONSAI TREES FOR SALE -- PLEASE CALL Margaret Keltz 305-233-2230**

## BSM General Meeting March 2008



Glenn introduces guest artist Toby Diaz



Toby loves to talk about wiring and bonsai



Our best turn out of the year



Everyone goes to work with Toby's help



Diego works on his black olive



Mike positions the branches of his juniper

**BSM NEW BONSAI GEAR**  
*All with embroidered logo*  
*For donations at the next BSM meeting*

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|--|-------|-----------------------|------|
| ○ Polo Shirt   | \$20  | Tool roll-6 pkt       | \$20 |
| ○ Cap  | \$15  | Tool roll/apron 10pkt | \$25 |
| ○ Work Apron   | \$21  | Wire caddy            | \$35 |
| ○ Club Super Pack : Shirt, cap,<br>apron, wire Caddy, tool roll (6pkt) | \$100 | Belt tool sheath      | \$10 |
- (Special orders only)

*Cash or checks payable to: The Bonsai Society of Miami*

**2008 BSM OFFICERS & COMMITTEES**

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# Membership Application

2008 \_\_\_ 2009 \_\_\_ 2010 \_\_\_

( Please Print )

Member's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Other Household Member: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone Number: ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

Cellular Number: ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Can we send your monthly news bulletin via e-mail? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

**How Did You Learn About The Bonsai Society?**

\_\_\_ Friend                      \_\_\_ Advertisement                      \_\_\_ Fairchild Tropical Botanic Garden  
\_\_\_ Newspaper                      \_\_\_ Radio                      Other: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please Check Which Society Activities You Could Help With:**

\_\_\_ News Bulletin                      \_\_\_ Publicity                      \_\_\_ Library                      \_\_\_ Refreshments  
\_\_\_ Membership                      \_\_\_ Meeting Cleanup                      \_\_\_ Exhibit Planning                      \_\_\_ Exhibit Construction  
\_\_\_ Hospitality                      \_\_\_ Raffle Table                      Other: \_\_\_\_\_

**Dues:**

**New** \_\_\_\_\_

**Renewal** \_\_\_\_\_

Join During The Month Of:	Dec-Mar	Apr-July	Aug-Nov
Single Membership:	\$ 35.00 (1)	\$ 20.00	\$ 10.00
Household Membership:	\$ 45.00 (2)	\$ 24.00	\$ 12.00
Corresponding Membership:	\$ 18.00	\$ 12.00	\$ 6.00
Commercial Membership:	\$ 150.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 50.00

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Received by: \_\_\_\_\_ How Paid: Cash \_\_\_ Check# \_\_\_\_\_



# Miami Tropical Bonsai

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