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THE NEWSLETTER OF



The Bonsai Society of Miami

November 2008 - President's Corner

Hello all my Bonsai Friends,

First of all on the behalf of the Bonsai Society of Miami, I want to thank everyone that came out and supported our 22nd Annual Bonsai Show. It takes a lot of hard work and dedication from a lot of people to create such an event. In tuff times and ruff economics all of you did a great job. I want to personally thank Bob Benaim and all of his construction crew, Kathy Kincaid for her wonderful Friday night preview dinner, Carol McKinney and Audrey for running the Raffles and Club Tent, Randy Brooks for such a great job on the Exhibit, our Judges Martha Goff, Ernie Fernandez, and Carlos Consuegra for taking the time out of their busy schedules to judge the trees.

Special thanks go out to our guest speakers and teachers Ed Trout, Randy Brooks, Mike Cartrett and Carlos Consuegra. And we can't forget our Honoree Mary Miller for her walk about of the Exhibit. Many thanks to Ben Liss for his support getting the word out on our Show and workshops, and all of our supporters, vendors, trophy sponsors and advertisers for their commitments and support. We couldn't have done it with out you. To all of our other BSM Club members that came out for setup and tear down we all thank you very much for your support. Last but not least, Bob Hulnick for the many hours of phones calls, e-mails, committee meetings, our trophies and program... it was a job well done.

Also last month, only two days after the Show at our BSM general meeting we had another open BYOT workshop. Some of you might have been burned out from the Show but we still had a pretty good turnout. We all discussed the Show and then worked on more of our trees.

This month we have our annual BSM elections. You may of have had enough of the elections process with all the last few months of the Presidential race to run our country but it is now time to elect a Board to run the Club for 2009. Please come out and show your support and help us elect these folks that are willing to take time out of their personal life to help us promote the Art of Bonsai not only for you but the community. There will be a B.Y.O.T. open workshop right after elections. Please come out and vote and work on trees.

The last program for the year is our annual Bonsai and stuff Auction. Mark your calendars December 9th 2008. We will be handing out sales slips at this months meeting, so come out and pick some up. It's a good time to make some extra cash for the Holidays, thin out your collection, or add to your collection. There are always good deals to be had and a great way to make some extra cash. Come out and support the Club. Any cash the Club makes helps to promote programs for the following year.

Thanks for everyone's support throughout this year and remember we are now signing up members for next year, please see the 2009 BSM Membership form at the end of this newsletter.

See you at the meeting,

Glenn

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

November 2008

8th Gold Coast Bonsai Society, 9:00am
City of Sunrise Parks and Leisure, 6800 Sunset Strip, Sunrise

11th BSM General Meeting - Elections / BYOT - 7:30pm
Fairchild Tropical Botanic Garden, 10901 Old Cutler Rd.

15th Workshop at Miami Tropical Bonsai, 9am to 12 noon
for more info call 305-258-0865

18th BSM Board Meeting, at Amos' Sports Grill - 7:00pm
US 1 & SW 104 St., All members welcome

December 2008

9th BSM General Meeting - Annual Auction— 7:30pm
Fairchild Tropical Botanic Garden, 10901 Old Cutler Rd.

13th Gold Coast Bonsai Society, 9:00am
City of Sunrise Parks and Leisure, 6800 Sunset Strip, Sunrise

16th BSM Board Meeting, at Amos' Sports Grill - 7:00pm
US 1 & SW 104 St., All members welcome

20th Workshop at Miami Tropical Bonsai, 9am to 12 noon
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January 2009

10th Gold Coast Bonsai Society, 9:00am
City of Sunrise Parks and Leisure, 6800 Sunset Strip, Sunrise

13th BSM General Meeting - TBD - 7:30pm
Fairchild Tropical Botanic Garden, 10901 Old Cutler Rd.

17th Workshop at Miami Tropical Bonsai, 9am to 12 noon
for more info call 305-258-0865

20th BSM Board Meeting, at Amos' Sports Grill - 7:00pm
US 1 & SW 104 St., All members welcome

21st BSM Visiting Master Program, Ben Oki, 7:00pm - 10:00pm
Fairchild Tropical Botanic Garden, 10901 Old Cutler Rd.

BSM Annual Exhibition - October 2008



Christian Casellas' buttonwood won Best in Show.



Sea grape from Bob Hulnick, 1st Place large specimen.



Eugenia from Christian won the People's Choice award.



Al Soares Ficus nerifolia won 1st Place shohin.



Mary Miller talks about Glenn's Hilton's bunjin juniper that won the Joe Samuels award.



Ed Trout's Ficus nerifolia won 1st medium specimen.



Mary with part of the mame display.



Mary chatting with some future bonsai artists.



Mike Kaufman's juniper on a slab looking good.



Brazilian raintree from Christian.



A look at part of the exhibit on the stage.



More of the stage exhibit and mame display.



A nice fukien tea forest from Miami Tropical Bonsai.



More of the main exhibit display area.



Kathy at Ed Trout's Brazilian raintree workshop.



Earl and Claudia were also working a raintree.



Glenn getting started with his fukien tea demo.



The same tree after some trimming and wiring.

*** thanks to Bob Hulnick for the great photos*

BSM General Meeting October 2008



Another large turnout for the BYOT after the Show.



Bruce always ready to work on some trees.



Carlos, Chris, and Hiram working some trees.



Glenn worked with Kathy and Ray on a Ficus nerifolia.



After some serious trimming, Glenn starts to wiring.



The same nerifolia as above.

ELECTIONS 2009

List below are the current 2008 BSM Officers and Committee Heads. All positions are up for re-election in 2009. If you are interested in becoming a Board Member, please attend the BSM General Meeting Tuesday, November 11th and nominations will be voted on.

2008 BSM OFFICERS & COMMITTEES

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**Bonsai Society
of Miami**

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17850 S.W. 280 Street
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**Membership
Application**

2009 ___ 2010 ___ 2011 ___

(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

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