

The Bergen Bonsai Society

Mar. 2019 Newsletter

Meeting: Sun 03/10 9:45AM-3PM

Place: CLOSTER NATURE CENTER
154 RUCKMAN RD. CLOSTER, NJ



An educational
non-profit organization

TYLER SHERROD
STUDY GROUP
First of 4 Sessions

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Year 2019 Programs
Mark Your Calendar



<u>DATE</u>	<u>EVENT AND/OR GUEST ARTIST</u>	<u>AM MTG</u>	<u>AFT MTG</u>	<u>EVE MT G</u>	<u>AWAY MTG</u>
January	<u>NO MEETING</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>		
* February 17	<u>TEANECK GREENHOUSE— MAKE SOIL AND FERTILIZER</u>	<u>X</u>			
March 10	<u>CLOSTER NATURE CENTER— ARTIST-TYLER SHERROD</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>		
April 7	<u>TEANECK — MABS TREE SELECTION & GROUP WORK-SHOP</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>		
April 12,13,14	<u>MID-ATLANTIC SPRING FESTIVAL IN GRANTVILLE PA</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>		<u>X</u>
May 19	<u>TEANECK —ARTIST SERGIO CUAN -POSSIBLE</u>	X	<u>X</u>		
* June 8 SAT	<u>TEANECK — SMALL TREE JUNIPER CHALLENGE</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>		
* July 13 SAT	<u>TEANECK —TROPICAL REPOTTING</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>		
Aug 18	<u>PICNIC LOCATION — LOCATION UNDECIDED</u>		<u>X</u>		<u>X</u>
September 15	<u>TEANECK— OUR SHOW, POT SALE AND WORKSHOP</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>		
October 20	<u>TEANECK — ARTIST DAVID EASTERBROOK</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>		
November 10	<u>CLOSTER-- ARTIST—TYLER SHERROD 2ND SESSION</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>		
December 8	<u>ANNUAL HOLIDAY LUNCHEON</u>		<u>X</u>		<u>X</u>

* Indicates a change in date, event or time, since previous Newsletter

LAST TWO MEETINGS — FEB. 17TH. FERTILIZER AND SOIL MAKING WORKSHOP

About eight of us purchased soil or fertilizer, but about twice that number of us showed up. It was our first meeting of the year and it was nice seeing regular members as well some new faces who may be joining the club. As you may know I keep a group of pre-bonsai plants at the greenhouse and I was especially thankful to the people who offered to either buy some of my best stuff on the cheap or even remove it at night, free of charge!

THIS MEETING — March 10 Tyler Sherrod- two-years study group Closter Nature Center, Ruckman Rd

As we all should know by now, Tyler Sherrod, one of last years' artists at MABS will be at the Closter center for the initial evaluation and design work on a select number of participant member's trees. He will be back again in Nov and again, twice next year to hopefully help bring these trees to a more developed level than most of us do alone. The cost of these four workshops is \$200, paid up- front on March 10. This is unusual for us, but the goal is to have a committed study group, with an established set of trees. If the group is large, we will be working all day. Bring your tools, wire and pots/soil if you think you may re pot. We might have to work the whole day, so bring lunch. Everyone is welcome to participate but call me to say that you plan to come so that we have an idea of how many tables are needed. Members who are not including themselves in the study group are welcome as observers.



Also, at this meeting we will be choosing Bergen Bonsai's trees for this year's MABS exhibit. There are two slots open. Either bring the tree you want to show or it's picture.

Mid Atlantic Bonsai Festival, April 12- 14, Grantville PA

MABS is near Harrisburg PA this year, about 3 hours away. Not many of us have registered yet. Yes, this is another activity to spend money on, but it's our opportunity to see the larger bonsai world. As usual the festival includes an exhibit of the best trees in our ten clubs region, about 20 vendors selling (more money) everything related to bonsai, six lecture demonstrations by three important artists with their trees then raffled, critiques of the exhibit and workshops with supplied trees (still more money). The full three-day registration is \$175 which includes Sat lunch. First time full registration is \$115 and non-bonsai spouse is \$100. A two-day registration is available with includes Saturday for \$135, but a Saturday only day pass (which includes only the exhibit and vendors) is available for \$30. Overnight rooms in the hotel are still available for \$92 / night. Our club pays for a hotel room for our festival board members. This room sleeps three, however this year two beds in this room are available on both Friday and Saturday nights. If any member is interested in staying overnight for free, contact me ASAP. Also, I am driving down on Friday morning, leaving about 10 or 11 am and returning around 2:30 pm on Sunday. Contact me if you want to drive with me. The Festival is a worthwhile activity, please consider attending.

For more information see attached registration form

GOOD AND WELFARE

No News is Good News

BBS WEBSITE

Go to www.bergenbonsai.com & you can view our newsletters, pictures from our latest meetings, the Mid-Atlantic Convention, our extensive library & much more.

SOCIAL MEDIA

We are on social media Facebook and Twitter, you can see what is going on with Bergen Bonsai and the Bonsai world. Thanks to Will Farro for setting it up. Bergen Bonsai News, if anyone would like to share some bonsai news, please feel free to drop us an email. We will publish it if it is appropriate.

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LIBRARY

As usual, the complete library inventory is posted on our website (**BergenBonsai.com**). Find what you want, contact our librarians (for videos; hard cover books — Ralf; Bonsai Today/ Focus — Diann, and Int'l Bonsai, BCL Misc — John), and they will bring it to the next meeting. This is a tremendous asset and one of the best ways to learn more about bonsai in general. The library is a treasure trove of information just waiting to answer all of your questions and some that you haven't even thought about yet. Use these winter months to get answers to the questions that you have about your trees in time for the growing season.

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