



# VANCOUVER ISLAND BONSAI CLUB

**Monday, July 16, 2007 . . .**

**Our Next Two Meetings:**

*Monday, July 16, 7:30 pm*

*Monday, Aug 20, 7:30 pm*

*Garth Homer Society Auditorium  
813 Darwin Avenue, Victoria*

**Summer Care and Protection of Trees** - Winter is hard on our trees but summer can be too. Our in-house experts will share tips on the care of your trees in summer.

**Show and Tell** - Bring in your Root-over-Rock style bonsai.

**Also** - Please bring in established trees that need work. Some of the senior members will be available for consultation.

We will also be holding our usual raffle, please bring in your donations.

**Coming in.....**

**August** - Theme is Indoor Bonsai; also clinic on sharpening tools.

**September** - Show & Tell - Forest plantings.

Also demonstrations of Forest plantings; Fertilizing tips for flowering bonsai.

**October** - Show & Tell—Fall colours

“Whack & chat” - Hands-on styling sessions for new members.

## Bonsai Holiday Care

Bob D. has graciously volunteered to care for members trees while on summer/fall vacation. He has room for up to 50 trees.. His email address: potholebob@hotmail.com but he says no need to forewarn him, simply arrive at his place at Sooke Potholes most any afternoon, weekend afternoons being the best time, he has no phone.

Thank-you Bob.



The club address is:

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**Randy Kowalchuk** (President) **Judy Horsland** (Treasurer)

**Bob Taylor** (Past President)

**MallShow Coordinator - Wayne Swanson**



## Doug Miller Field Day

To be held on Sunday July 22, 2007 at George's farm, starting at 1:00 pm. Doug Miller was a long standing member of our Club and when he passed away recently, his estate donated many bonsai trees to the Club. We have decided to hold a field day in his honour, where we could raffle his trees. As in any other field day, feel free to bring your trees to work on, or to ask for advice from other Club members. Periodically during the course of the afternoon, we will be raffling the trees. There are going to be over 60 raffle lots, plus fixed price tree sales. The raffle tickets are \$1.00 each or 11 tickets for \$10.00. We will be holding the raffle "convention style"; which means that each tree will have a can where you can place your ticket. You place tickets in the can corresponding to the tree you like, and you can place as many tickets as you wish. There will be two different colour tickets, and the trees will be identified with the corresponding colour. The first raffle will be at 1:20 pm. It is going to be a fun afternoon, and a wonderful opportunity to obtain some great bonsai material. See you there!

## Bonsai Auction

We will be auctioning off, at the next meeting, 2 lovely collected hemlocks which were donated to the club by Stu Moyers, and have been restyled and looked after by Maurice and a few volunteer club members. Good luck to all!



From the Bonsai Society of Portland .....

Michael Hagedorn advises - 1. That yellowing of needles on pines may be root rot and not the lack of fertilizer. He advises that automatic or hand watering of pines should be discontinued during a rainy period.

2. That when de-candling pines you should cut them off straight because if the cut is angled, the short side will be stronger and the long side will be weaker.



Its not too late to register for the Pacific Northwest Bonsai Clubs convention taking place in Vancouver Washington ( just a few miles north of Portland ) Friday Sept. 21 through noon Sunday Sept. 23. Here is the schedule:

**Friday 8:00 am** - Three workshops

Black Pine with Michael Hagedorn

Itowigawa Juniper with Joe Harris III

Quince & Privet with Boon Manakitivipart

These workshops are full but registration provides you with the opportunity to observe all three.

**Friday 1:00 pm** - Two workshops

Japanese Beech with Mike Hagedorn

This workshop is full, but you may observe.

Magnolia with Joe Harris III

This workshop is open - Your chance to partake of Joe's skills and go home with an unusual, beautiful flowering bonsai that Joe has been growing for years. Cost \$145

Demonstration by Boon - This will be a demonstration in the round, so that you will be up close where you can actually see what he is doing.

- The exhibit opens.
- The Marketplace opens
- the All Hours Workspace is open - This is an area set aside as a place to finish up your workshop tree and socialize. On Friday and Saturday afternoons Masa Furukawa will be there to help you.

**Friday 4:30 pm** - A critique of the exhibit by Boon

**Friday 6:30 pm**

- The Friday Night Festivities (light buffet dinner followed by a Boxwood Whack and Chat)

For those that are not able to commit to full registration - this is the single event to attend; the price is just \$48, which is a ridiculously good deal when you consider that you will go home with a Kingsville Boxwood, which you have transformed into a glorious bonsai over the course of the evening the shears that you used to do it, possibly a prize for your effort; a chance to win a raffle item, maybe even Boon's demo tree from the afternoon.

**Saturday 8:00 am** - Three workshops

Chinese Elm with Boon

Bring your own tree with Mike

Japanese Maple with Scott Elser

These workshops are full but you may observe.

- Demonstration by Joe - Joe will do a unique demonstration using three trees to show the different stages of the development of a bonsai.

**Saturday 1:00 pm** - Three workshops

Ponderosa Pine with Boon

Itowigawa Juniper with Joe

These workshops are full, but you may observe.

Kusomono with Allan Taft

This workshop is open - You get two Gary Wood pots, the plants to fill them and Allan's excellent instruction on how to do it. Cost \$55, a steal!

**Saturday 4:30 pm** - Critique of the Exhibit by Mike

**Sunday 8:00 am** - Critique by Joe of the Exhibit

**Sunday 9:00 am**

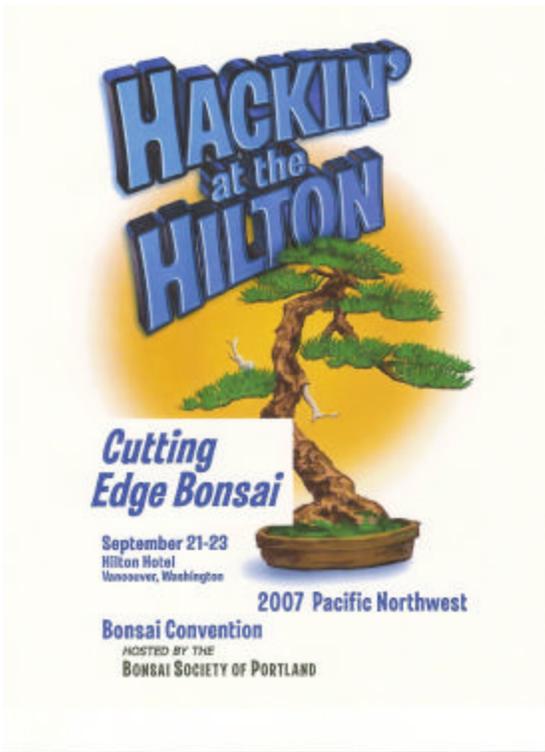
- Round Robin, first and second session.

This will consist of two hour long sessions on various subjects, a last chance for guest artists and visiting instructors to share their knowledge.

This will be a great time to cover some of the areas that you never really got enough information about.

To summarize; you can see that most of the time you will have a choice of participating in or observing a Workshop, watching a Demonstration, viewing the Exhibit, touring the Marketplace, hanging out in the All Hour's Workspace, with an occasional meal, Critique, Raffle, etc. thrown in. Hopefully this gives you a hint of what this convention is all about—if you have any questions please contact me at [rklaws@comcast.net](mailto:rklaws@comcast.net) or check the website [www.portlandbonsai.org](http://www.portlandbonsai.org).

Bob Laws—Convention Chairman




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### Vancouver Island Bonsai Club

#### Membership Renewal /Application Form for 2007

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Attached is \$20.00 for single membership\_\_\_ or Attached is \$25.00 for family membership \_\_\_\_

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Please indicate whether you would like to receive the Club Newsletter by Regular mail\_\_\_\_ or  
by email notification of posting to the club website\_\_\_\_\_

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