



VANCOUVER ISLAND BONSAI CLUB

Monday, February 18, 2008 . . .

Our Next Two Meetings:

Monday, February 18, 7:30 pm

Monday, March 17, 7:30 pm

Garth Homer Society Auditorium

813 Darwin Avenue, Victoria

Show and Tell - None

Bring-your-own-tree workshop - the whole meeting will be devoted to each member styling his or her own tree, with emphasis on getting practice wiring. If you bought one of the Dwarf Burning Bushes last month, bring that.

We will also have our usual raffle and a silent auction.

Coming in.....

March -

Show & Tell: Phoenix grafts and carved wood.

Grafting techniques—Guest speaker on how to do successful live grafts

April -

Show & Tell: Flowering trees.

Landscaping in pot or on slab—discussion of groundcovers, mosses, and rockscapes to enhance your tree and those to avoid.

Calling All Flowers

Art in Bloom at the Art Gallery. To complement the Art Gallery's special events and exhibits connected with "Art in Bloom" (March 9-15), the Club will be using flowering bonsai for our display. If you have any outdoor bonsai that will be flowering in early March (maybe quince, plum, cherry, etc.) please let us put them on display at the Gallery. We want to make a really good show of flowering bonsai and would like a wide selection of trees to choose from. Please contact Jane P. (598-5381) after March 3. We plan to mount the display on March 7.

The club address is:

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

Bob Taylor (Past President)

MallShow Coordinator -



Art in Bloom

Is a bi-annual celebration of the “art” of gardening sponsored as a fund raiser by the Art Gallery of Greater Victoria. The event features floral exhibitions and lectures by recognized gardening specialists. In addition, we have been asked to demonstrate bonsai from noon to 4pm on Wednesday March 12th, Thursday March 13th, and on Saturday March 15th. The committee will provide us with two trestle tables on which we will display some of the best trees of club members. To activate the display, we would like to recruit 2, 3, or 4 of our members for each session to be working on trees. George is our contact with the gallery so let him know at the next meeting or by phone at 216-8595 if you are willing to help move in and out, to be present, to work on one of your own trees showing the public just how we go about doing bonsai.

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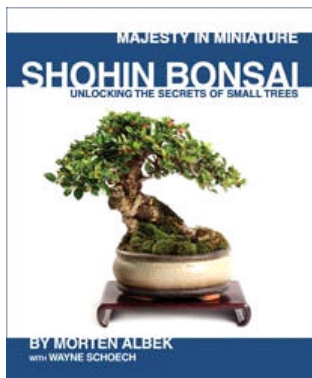
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Rules of Wiring

By Marco Invernizzi

1. The size of the wire (aluminum) must be $\frac{1}{3}$ of the size of the branch. In case of the Kingsville boxwood the size of the wire could be $\frac{1}{2}$ of the size of the branch.
2. Wire 2 branches of almost the same size with one piece of wire.
3. Wire 2 branches not too close or not too far from each other.
4. If there is only one branch left (odd number), join it with another branch or jin to anchor it.
5. When the size of the branch changes, the size of the wire must change as per rule #1.
6. Do not leave any gaps between the wire and the branch; the wire must pass from above the branch.
7. When you want to bend a branch downwards, the wire must pass from above the branch.
8. When you want to lift a branch, the wire must pass from underneath.
9. When you want to bend the branch to the front, the wire must pass from the back.
10. When you want to bend the branch to the back, the wire must pass from the front.

Note: In order to follow rules 7, 8, 9, and 10, you must know how you are going to bend a branch before you wire it

11. The position of the branch, when you wire it, must be 45 degrees to your body.
12. When you wire a branch use the dominant hand to wrap the wire, and use the other hand to support the branch and ensure the wire is in contact with the branch.
13. The end of the wire should finish upwards (like a hook) in order to support the branch.



Leadership

We were delighted to hear that a fellow member of our VIBC, Dr. Holly Tuokko was a nominee by UVIC for the Community Leadership Award and as so recognized at the Ocean Pointe Hotel Awards luncheon in late January. For us, Holly was not only a star performer in the film she and Don presented at our last club meeting, but is well known as the able club librarian. In real life, she is a Professor in the UVIC Department of Psychology and UVIC's Centre on Aging. Congratulations from all of us , Holly!!



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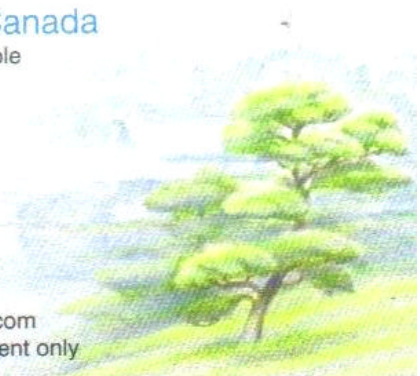
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