



June 2022 Newsletter

## The Long Island Bonsai Society

**There are no borders in Bonsai. It brings peace to a palace as it does to the most humble of homes, to the young as to the old, to the rich as to the poor.**

**It invites us to live within the world it is onto itself, and we are drawn, as no words can express, to live within its shade.**

**The Long Island Bonsai Society invites all to enjoy this living art that can last for generations.**

Hal Johnson  
President

Jim Genesee  
Vice President

Joe Lesnick  
Treasurer

Tony Calabrese  
Secretary

Chris Hayes  
Chairperson of Programs

### Meeting schedule

**Planting Fields has revised its Covid restrictions. Masks are optional to wear at individual's discretion.**

August 8<sup>th</sup> -  
Martin Schmalenberg demo

September 12  
Boon Manakitivipart demo

### Events schedule

*Please watch for more details*

July 11<sup>th</sup> Summer Auction  
Greenhouse Classroom 7PM

August 6 & 7  
Humes Japanese Garden  
LIBS Bonsai Exhibit

August 20<sup>th</sup> - Luncheon/Swap  
Meet/Silent Auction  
Noon-4 PM

**If you are interested in attending a workshop, please email Chris at [Chris@easterneffects.com](mailto:Chris@easterneffects.com)**

We meet the 2nd Monday of each month at 7:30PM at Planting Fields Arboretum, Greenhouse classroom, Oyster Bay, NY. Doors open at 7PM for refreshments and general membership discussions. Feel free to bring one of your trees for advice from other members. Most meetings have a tree styling demonstration by a Bonsai artist(s) which is (are) usually raffled off at the end of the meeting. Volunteers are needed to present Tokonoma at each meeting. Please email Jim at [Jgenesee@optonline.net](mailto:Jgenesee@optonline.net) if interested.

Please see meeting schedule in the side bar.

We also hold auctions of member donated trees, pots and equipment.

Please watch for details!!!!

Members please see our website to purchase soil supplies.

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**2022 Long Island Bonsai Society Annual Membership Dues are now past due please see Joe Lesnick or send an email**

**to [libonsai@yahoo.com](mailto:libonsai@yahoo.com)**

Cash, check, Pay pal.

\$45.00 – single      \$65.00 – family      \$10.00 – student      \$60.00 – support

**Your membership will have you entertained and educated by world class bonsai artists (15 in over 21 months pre pandemic). You can participate in hand on workshops led by bonsai artists and our expert members (6 workshops in two years pre pandemic). You have access to Planting Fields on the nights of our meetings. Free monthly loan of Bonsai reference materials!!! Please see Mary for more details and access to our library at our next meeting.**

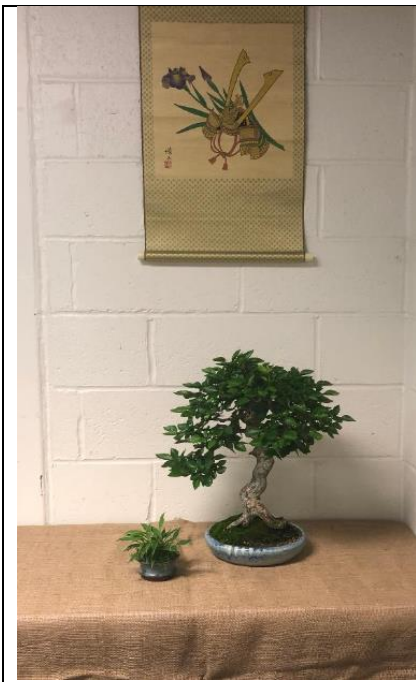


**A BIG Thank  
you to Joe  
and Leslie for  
agreeing to  
do the  
demos!!**

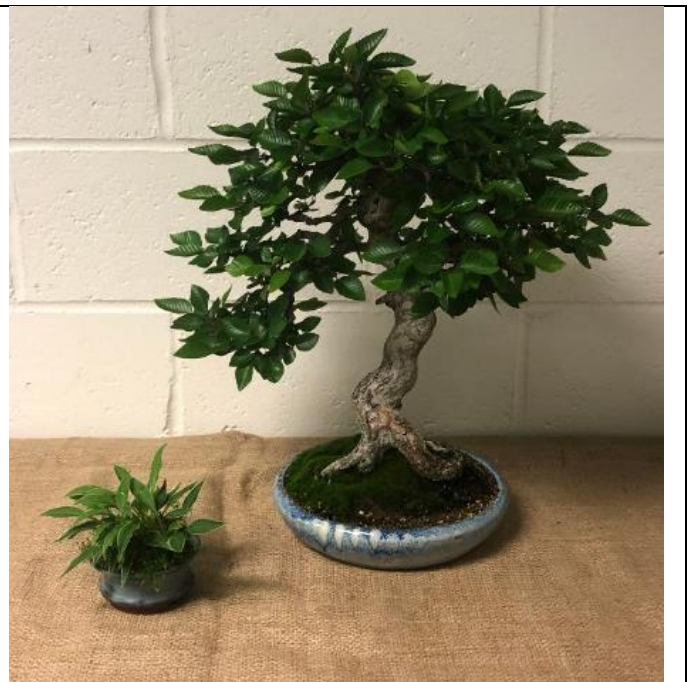
The LIBS June 13, 2022 meeting was our annual Amigo Demo. This year Joe Lesnick and Leslie Gray designed trees. Joe had an Asian Spruce and Leslie had a Hinoki Cypress. The first three pictures are the before. (that is Chris Hayes in the middle, Joe is on the left and Leslie on the right) The middle pictures are the works in progress. Tom O'Connor, in the red shirt, chose to take home Joe's Spruce after winning the raffle. Leslie's Hinoki Cypress will be at the auction on July 11.



If you have any information about Bonsai that you feel should be included in our next newsletter, please email it to Beth at [springhauser@yahoo.com](mailto:springhauser@yahoo.com).



June Tokonoma display: Korean Hornbeam (that Chris thinks is 40 years old, he has only had for 4-5 years He got it into its current state and it's name is Tom. Accessory plant is a Stiletto Hosta. Both in antique Japanese pots.

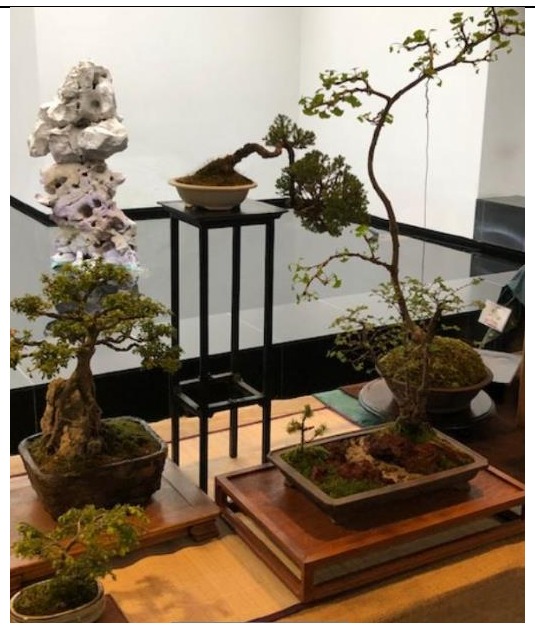


Trees of our members:

Top two are Robert Walzer's trees, Schefflera and fig.

Bottom: Two Bob Mahler Workshop Trees Curtesy of Robert Walzer and Hal Johnson, Persimmon tree and club provided Itoigawa Shimpaku Juniper, respectively.





**Above photos are of the Cherry Blossom Festival at the Stony Brook University Japan Center back on April 30<sup>th</sup>. Volunteers were John Klee, Tom O'Conner and Hal Johnson.**

**Photos of Bob Mahler's Workshop on June 4<sup>th</sup> are below at the Greenhouse Classroom. The club supplied Itoigawa Shimpaku trees if participants did not bring in their own trees.**





## **BONSAI ONLINE RESOURCES**

**Eastern Leaf** – short and easy to understand how to teachings

**Hérons Bonsai** – Peter Chan, easy and concise instructions

**Eisei –en Bonsai, Bjorn Bjornholm** - many videos, vlogs and on-line courses. His early videos “Bonsai – The Art of Japan” is one of the ‘best for instruction.’

**Mirai- Ryan Neil** – lengthy videos, be prepared to spend at least an hour. Also has interactive instructions with membership

<https://bonsaimirai.com/blog/mirai-wild-crater-lake> A new original series from Mirai that follows artist and bonsai professional Ryan Neil as he journeys to the native landscapes of endangered, ancient and significant trees

**Bonsai Empire** – instructional videos, demos, interviews and shows

**Crataegus.com** – Michael Hagedon, educational blog

### **Suggested Suppliers and Educational SITES**

America Bonsai Tool & Supply Co. – [www.americanbonsai.com](http://www.americanbonsai.com) , LIBS club members receive a 10% discount with the code LIBS10

Stone Lantern - [stonelantern.com](http://stonelantern.com) – big blog - anything and everything, always specials going on, reasonable wire prices

Easternleaf.com - wire, tools, etc

DallasBonsai.com – general supplies

Bonsaitonight.com – Educational site with bonsai products

<https://bonsaitonight.com/2021/10/01/short-interviews-at-the-7th-us-national-bonsai-exhibition/>

### **Upcoming Events.** (Please check with individual websites for updates)

For LIBS updates, please check with website: [www.longislandbonsai.org](http://www.longislandbonsai.org).

**November 12-13, 2022** The Pacific Bonsai Expo The Bridge Yard, Oakland, California

They are looking for exhibitors and volunteers. Deadline to send photos of trees is April 30, 2022. Please see the website for details.

[www.pacificbonsaiexpo.com](http://www.pacificbonsaiexpo.com)

Photo contributors to this issue Hal Johnson with photos from the Cherry Festival and the Bob Mahler workshop. Beth Ringhauser supplied the other photos.