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Calendar of Events

- **August 11**
Bonsai Hearsay (zoom meeting)
Michael Hagedorn

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President's Message

By Roland Lopez

Greetings Austin Bonsai Society!

I hope you've been enjoying your summer so far. I'm pretty thankful for this mild weather we're experiencing this year. It's not unbearably hot like it has been in the past years. The flowers and fruits I'm witnessing in my backyard are certainly only a product this season can bring us! It's wonderful to see!

Last month, instead of our regular monthly meeting, we put together an auction that I'm happy to say was a success! I deeply thank our members that helped make it a great event by showing up and by donating items. It was a hot day outside but despite that, it was fun to be with fellow practitioners and enthusiasts again!

This month we have the privilege of having bonsai professional and author, Michael Hagedorn with us discussing his latest book, *Bonsai Heresy*. I highly recommend you pick this one up and read! This informative, fun book is really hard to put down as it will change the way you approach your practice. Please have your questions ready to ask Michael regarding *Bonsai Heresy* for our upcoming meeting.

Take care everyone!

With a warm smile,

Roland

New Members

Veronica B.

Roger S.

Vice President's Message

By Summer Lee

Aloha Bonsai Fam!

I hope everyone's bonsai is doing well in this Texas heat. I've had some of my bonsai get scorched while I was travelers, but they seemed to have leafed out hardier leaves. Adapt and overcome is the theme this month.

I'm looking forward to having Mike Hagedorn present his book this month! See below for his bio and photo.



Michael Hagedorn's bonsai work bridges tradition and innovative design. He apprenticed with bonsai master Shinji Suzuki in Obuse, Japan from 2003-2006, and authored the apprenticeship memoir 'Post-Dated: The Schooling of an Irreverent Bonsai Monk' and the offbeat educational book 'Bonsai Heresy: 56 Myths Exposed Using Science & Tradition'. Formerly a potter, Michael is the Bonsai Consultant for the Portland Japanese Garden, teaches classes to international students at his garden Crataegus Bonsai, and blogs weekly at crataegus.com.

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ABS Board Minutes

July 2021

July Meeting Minutes

Attendees: Roland, Ruwan, Morgan, Gloria, Mike, Simon

Meeting starts 7:03 PM

Zilker park facility will not be available soon due to current covid situation

Summary of Auction Plans

Set up tables Friday evening

Lunch will be served!

Could always use more food!

Roland and Mike can be auctioneer

Need runners for trees and food

Austin hosted LSBF convention – year, tbd

Need to do an inventory check on trees available. Photos would be nice.

Convene the convention board for advice on year

Calendar

Arboretum tour with Andy Bello date and time schedule

Need info from LSBF for Mike Lane September visit

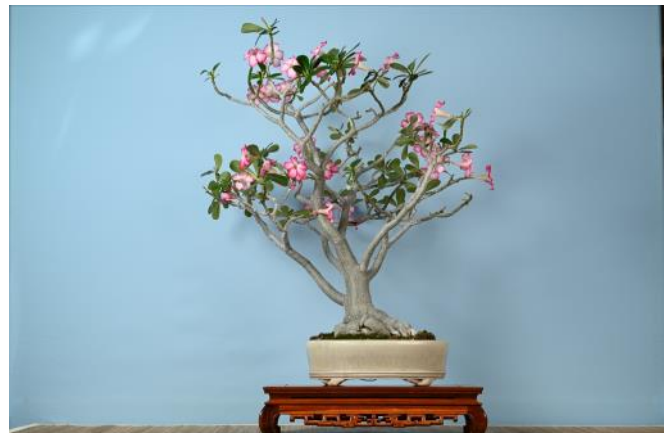
Reminder for club membership

2021 membership fee (July to December)

Individual	\$16.50
Family	\$19.50
Newsletter monthly advertisements:	\$37.50
Directory advertisement:	\$11

You may contact payments.austinbonsaisociety@gmail.com for convenient electronic payment options (processing fee included).

Virtual Show 2021 (Highlights)



Full photo album is available [here](#).

Bonsai/Kusamono displays with blue backdrop are photographed by Summer Lee.
Roland, Joey and Simon collaborated on final arrangement of the photo album.

Recruiting Authors

With a nod of respect to John Miller, who has been diligently writing monthly columns for our newsletter, we would also like to take this time to invite interested members with knowledge and experiences of local Austin conditions to write articles for beginners and potential aspirants keen on raising bonsai. The Bonsai Notebook is looking for a new voice to author a column providing helpful reminders and tips dedicated to caring for bonsai. Be it a monthly routine or winter procedures, we'd like to welcome new perspectives and experiences to be shared in this newsletter. If interested, please contact: webmaster.austinbonsaisociety@gmail.com.

A warm thank you to John Miller for writing the latest columns. Even I, as the editor, may have taken these last months for granted and have been reminded that life is a charming companion that deserves to be appreciated every day. Thank you for your helpful words!

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About Us

The Austin Bonsai Society is a nonprofit organization which exists to help in providing guidance and education for individuals in their desire to learn and expand their knowledge and skill in the arts of bonsai.

The Society holds regular meetings, twelve months a year, on the second Wednesday of each month. Our social period begins at 7:00 pm, followed by our program at 7:30 pm. Normally, unless announced otherwise, these meetings are held in the Zilker Garden Center building, located on Barton Springs Road in Zilker Park, Austin, Texas. We offer a monthly program of interest to the general membership.

The cost of membership is presently only \$32.50 for an individual and \$37.50 for a family membership. For additional information, contact the Austin Bonsai Society at P.O. Box 340474, Austin, TX 78734.