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Newsletter of The Bonsai Society of  
Upstate New York



## Marco Invernessi Juniper Bonsai

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This month, we are pleased to present Marco Invernessi as our guest speaker. Marco was born in 1975 in Milan, Italy where he lived till age 21. He studied art in high school and obtained a degree in design. He started to be interested in bonsai at age 16 and studied 5 years with Salvatore Liporace. He then went to Japan to study with Masahiko Kimura for almost 4 years. Now a full time bonsai professional and broker, he works for many nurseries, clubs and bonsai associations all over the world, and his articles have been published by more than 10 bonsai magazines. Some of his best trees have won UBI awards and Ginkgo awards. In 2003, he published a book about his experience in Japan that will be soon translated in English.



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Marco will be working on a very large and well established Juniper bonsai which has the potential of becoming a masterpiece bonsai. In order to provide enough time for him to shape the bonsai and explain his wiring techniques we will begin our meeting earlier at 6:30 pm. The demo tree is quite

expensive, (in the hundreds of dollars), because a demonstrator like this deserves a fine piece of plant material in order to teach us how to wire and shape. In order for our society to recover the expense of the Juniper it is important for all members to show your support to the club and purchase many raffle tickets. Please buy tickets, even if you don't want the bonsai, surely a member will be willing to return your \$1 for your ticket...

### Meeting Date

**Tuesday**  
**October 16, 2007**

**6:30PM**  
*Note Earlier Time!*

**Brighton Town Lodge**  
at  
**Buckland Park**  
**1341 Westfall Road**  
**Rochester, New York**  
near corner of  
**Westfall and Clinton**

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## New Library Book

Karen Procter has generously donated the book *Timeless Trees: The U.S. National Bonsai Collection*, to our library. If you have a chance, visit the library, say hi to Fran and check out the book. If it's gone, look at all the others that are available. Winter is coming and reading and studying is the best way to hone your bonsai skill until those trees come out of dormancy.

Thanks Karen!

## 35th Anniversary Container

In order to help celebrate our 35th anniversary we have commissioned a limited edition of handmade containers from China. These high quality containers are a very useful size and shape for several different bonsai styles and a multitude of species too. The containers are approximately 7 inches square and 5 inches high. The unglazed brown containers have a recessed panel on all four sides. Each container is numbered and a special seal on the bottom reads "35th Anniversary BSUNY 1972-2007". Additionally, a beautiful box has been made for each of the 50 limited edition commemorative containers. There are only seven of these containers left, so if you are interested, see Ron Maggio as soon as possible.

## 2007 - 2008 Programs

October 16	Marco Invernissi (Italy) Afternoon workshop/evening demo
November 17	(Saturday) Peter Warren (England) Demo
December 18	"Holiday Party"
January 22	Wm. N. Valavanis "The History and Significance of Japanese Classical Bonsai"
February 26	Harvey Carapella "Clinging To-A-Rock Style"
March 13-16	GardenScape 2008
March 25	Wm. N. Valavanis Demo & Workshop (surprise)
April 22	Suthin Sukolosvisit Afternoon workshop/evening demo
May 17-18	Upstate New York Bonsai Exhibition
June 24	TBA
July 22	Garden Tour
August 26	Garden Tour
September 8	Peter Adams "Maple Bonsai"

## Trees for Sale

Past member, Kener Bond has decided to liquidate his small collection of trees. He also has a few book and pots. Prices range from \$15 to \$20. Call Kener Bond to make arrangements at 381-7036

## Marco In Action

### THANKS

A big thank you to everyone who helped with the Friday evening social, at the annual International Bonsai Symposium. First, a special thanks to Jim and Rita Dolce who organized, set up, brought food and did everything they could to make this successful. Then, thanks to all who helped them by bringing food and helping to set up and tear down. Here they are, in no particular order...

Harvey and Judy Carapella  
Doug McDade  
Rick Marriott  
Ron and Joann Maggio  
Joe and Louise Noga  
Will and Millette Hebert  
Jon Robbins  
Milt Kilpatrick  
Karen Proctor  
Kathy Ver  
Debbie Chudlinski



## **It's That Time Of Year Again...**

This is the time to begin protecting your winter hardy bonsai for the winter. However, the longer you can leave them outdoors before it gets really cold, the better off your bonsai will be. Really cold to the plants is about 20-25°F, (to me below 70°F). I like to wait until the bonsai, especially conifers, get a nice dusting of light snow before putting them away. In our area, the best time to put hardy bonsai away for the winter is the end of November- right after a good Thanksgiving dinner- or the first part of December. The cool weather we have had this autumn is helping the bonsai prepare their cold hardiness for the long winter season. Remember to remove all fruit, old leaves and thick moss before protecting the bonsai. Spray with a contact fungicide such as Captan when putting your trees away. It is important to eliminate sun and wind for the winter and to provide an even temperature. If you did not protect your indoor species by now, there is probably no need to. This is a good time to review your fertilizing and pesticide schedule for the past year while it is still fresh in your mind. Did you spray and feed enough? What will you do differently during the next growing season? Make some notes and review them next spring. It's amazing how much you forget over the winter. Have a happy Turkey Day and don't forget to water your bonsai even if it's cold outside. They still need a drink because, **It's that time of the year again.....**

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