

# Exhibits & Programs 2006

The National  
Bonsai & Penjing  
Museum

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## Demonstrations

- Feb. 26**  
1:00–2:30PM  
Fee: \$10.00  
(NBF/FONA: \$8.00)  
Yuji Yoshimura Center
- Repotting Demonstration**  
Watch as the curator of the Museum repots one of the aged treasures from the Museum collections. Learn first hand the principles of repotting a bonsai as described by an expert.
- April 23**  
1:00–2:30PM  
Melba Tucker Arbor
- Bonsai Demonstration**  
Join a Museum volunteer for a session on pruning a bonsai specimen.
- May 14**  
1:00–2:30PM  
Yuji Yoshimura Center
- Ikebana Demonstration**  
Watch an Ikebana master teacher compose Japanese inspired flower arrangements.
- July 9**  
1:00–2:30PM  
Yuji Yoshimura Center
- Kiyomizu Bonsai Club of the Potomac Bonsai Association Demonstration**  
Watch an experienced member of the Kiyomizu Bonsai Club style a tree from their personal collection.
- Aug. 12**  
1:00–2:30PM  
Yuji Yoshimura Center
- Bonsai Demonstration**  
Join a Museum volunteer for a session on pruning a bonsai specimen.
- Aug. 27**  
1:00–2:30PM  
Yuji Yoshimura Center
- Chesapeake Bonsai Society Demonstration**  
Watch an experienced member of the Chesapeake Bonsai Society style a tree from their personal collection.
- Sept. 30 – Oct. 1**  
11:00–12:00PM  
1:00–2:00PM  
Yuji Yoshimura Center
- Ikebana Demonstrations**  
See a master artist arrange flowers for Ikebana display.
- Oct. 15**  
Yuji Yoshimura Center
- Baltimore Bonsai Club Demonstration**  
Watch an experienced member of the Baltimore Bonsai Club style a tree from their personal collection.



## Exhibits

- March 4–26**  
Mary E. Mrose  
International Pavilion  
Special Exhibits Wing
- Potomac Viewing Stone Group Exhibit**  
Members of the Potomac Viewing Stone Group exhibit stones from their private collections. A member will speak about the display of viewing stones on March 26 at 1:00. (Yoshimura Center)
- May 12–15**  
Mary E. Mrose  
International Pavilion  
Special Exhibits Wing  
Demonstration:  
Yuji Yoshimura Center
- Ikebana Exhibit**  
Ikebana International, Washington D.C., Chapter 1, returns for their annual exhibit of Ikebana, the art of Japanese flower arrangement. This is a stunning exhibit by the area's most accomplished Ikebana artists. A master teacher will give a demonstration on May 14 at 1:00.
- May 19–21**  
Administration  
Building Auditorium
- Potomac Bonsai Association Exhibit**  
See some of the Washington D.C. area's finest privately-owned bonsai during this annual show.
- May 26 – June 4**  
Mary E. Mrose  
International Pavilion  
Special Exhibits Wing
- Satsuki Azalea Exhibit**  
Breathtaking blossoms cover these late-blooming azaleas, miniature in form, but covered with full sized blossoms. This annual exhibit showcases the most spectacular examples.
- June 10–25**  
Mary E. Mrose  
International Pavilion  
Special Exhibits Wing
- California Viewing Stone Exhibit**  
Outstanding Viewing Stones, collected in California, from the Museum's own collection, as well as from private collections, will be on display. Held in conjunction with the Friends of the National Arboretum Dinner on June 14 featuring the state of California.
- July 1–9**  
Exhibit:  
Mary E. Mrose  
International Pavilion  
Special Exhibits Wing  
Demonstration:  
Yuji Yoshimura Center
- Potomac Bonsai Association Club Exhibit**  
The Kiyomizu Bonsai Club of the Potomac Bonsai Association will exhibit bonsai from the private collections of members. On July 9 at 1:00 members will give a demonstration with practical information for new bonsai owners.
- Aug. 19–27**  
Exhibit:  
Mary E. Mrose  
International Pavilion  
Special Exhibits Wing  
Demonstration:  
Yuji Yoshimura Center
- Potomac Bonsai Association Club Exhibit**  
The Chesapeake Bonsai Society, a club of the Potomac Bonsai Association will exhibit bonsai from the private collections of members. On August 27 at 1:00 members will give a demonstration with practical information for new bonsai owners.
- Sept. 2–24**  
Mary E. Mrose  
International Pavilion  
Special Exhibits Wing
- Chinese Stone Exhibit**  
Scholar stones, including Lingbi and Taihu stones collected in China, will be on display as part of the Chinese Mid Autumn Festival. The exhibit will feature stones from the permanent Museum collection as well as stones from private collections.
- Sept. 30 – Oct. 1**  
Exhibit:  
Mary E. Mrose  
International Pavilion  
Special Exhibits Wing  
Demonstration:  
Yuji Yoshimura Center
- Ikebana 50th Anniversary**  
The Washington D.C. Chapter of Ikebana International will celebrate its 50th anniversary by staging a very special exhibition of over 75 flower arrangements in a variety of Ikebana schools and styles. The exhibit will also include sumie paintings by members of the Washington D.C. Sumie Society. Flower arranging demonstrations by members of the D.C. Chapter will be offered on Sep. 30 and Oct. 1.
- Oct. 6–15**  
Exhibit:  
Mary E. Mrose  
International Pavilion  
Special Exhibits Wing  
Demonstration:  
Yuji Yoshimura Center
- Potomac Bonsai Association Club Exhibit**  
The Baltimore Bonsai Club of the Potomac Bonsai Association will exhibit bonsai from the private collections of members. On October 15 at 1:00 members will give a demonstration with practical information for new bonsai owners.
- Oct. 27 – Nov. 5**  
Mary E. Mrose  
International Pavilion  
Special Exhibits Wing
- Fall Fruit and Foliage Exhibit**  
Among the beauties of bonsai are the seasonal changes that occur in many of these miniature representations of nature. This special exhibit featuring deciduous treasures from the Museum's permanent collection highlights the autumn coloring of leaves and the ripening of fruit.
- Dec. 22–31**  
Mary E. Mrose  
International Pavilion  
Special Exhibits Wing
- Winter Silhouette Exhibit**  
This exhibit calls attention to the elegant silhouettes of deciduous bonsai. The "bare bones" of the tree display gives the viewer an opportunity to appreciate the detailed structure of these living sculptures.



## Lectures & Workshops

- Feb. 12**  
1:00–2:00PM  
Fee: \$10.00  
(NBF/FONA: \$8.00)  
Yuji Yoshimura Center
- Lecture: Collecting Trees to Create Bonsai**  
Collecting trees growing in the ground is a great way to acquire new material that can be trained as bonsai. Sometimes that tree may even be in your backyard. Learn from the Museum Curator when to collect, what to look for in a tree and how to keep it alive once you have found that raw material waiting to become a bonsai. Specimens from the Museum collections will be used as examples.
- March 25**  
10:30–3:30PM  
Fee: \$119.00  
(NBF/FONA: \$95.00)  
Yuji Yoshimura Center
- Bonsai Basics Workshop: Introduction to Bonsai Using Chinese Elms**  
Join the Museum Curator for this one day introduction to bonsai using Chinese Elms. The registration fee covers the tree, a pot, soil and wire. Participants with their own bonsai tools are encouraged to bring them along with a brown bag lunch. **Enrollment limited to 10.**
- March 26**  
1:00–2:00PM
- Displaying Suiseki**  
Christopher Cochrane, a member of the Potomac Viewing Stone Group, will discuss the art of exhibiting and displaying suiseki in either a public or a private setting.
- July 15**  
12:00–3:00PM  
Fee: \$25.00  
(NBF/FONA: \$20.00)  
Yuji Yoshimura Center
- Workshop: Pruning Bonsai**  
Is your bonsai in need of a haircut but you are not sure where to start? Bring your bonsai with you to a workshop on pruning. Basic concepts will be discussed and individual attention will be given to each tree.
- July 23**  
1:00–2:00PM  
Fee: \$10.00  
(NBF/FONA: \$8.00)  
Yuji Yoshimura Center
- Lecture: Twenty Factors to Consider When Watering Your Bonsai**  
Am I watering too much? Am I not watering enough? Have these questions and others answered in a lecture on factors that one should consider when watering a bonsai.

## Bonsai Sales and Special Events

- Feb. 11**  
7:00–9:00PM  
Fee: \$15.00  
(NBF/FONA: \$12.00)
- Valentine's Weekend Full Moon Hike**  
Bring your favorite person to the Full Moon Hike. The 5-mile slightly strenuous walk progresses through the moonlit arboretum gardens and collections. This event will end at the magically glowing National Bonsai & Penjing Museum where light refreshments will be served.
- April 29**  
9:00–4:00PM  
New York Avenue  
Parking Lot
- Friends of the National Arboretum Plant Sale**  
Bonsai and other trees, as well as shrubs, perennials and annuals are for sale.
- May 19–21**  
8:00–5:00PM
- Potomac Bonsai Association Bonsai Vendor Sale**  
Bonsai and related items from many vendors are for sale.
- June 3**  
11:00–2:00PM  
Melba Tucker Arbor
- Silent Auction**  
Bonsai, pre-bonsai and other related material from the "attic" of the Museum will be sold at silent auction. Buyers may preview the material displayed beginning at 11:00 in the Melba Tucker Arbor within in the Rose Family Garden of the lower courtyard. The silent auction will begin at 1:00 and end at 2:00.
- June 18**  
1:00–3:00PM  
Fee: \$10.00  
(NBF/FONA: \$8.00)  
Yuji Yoshimura Center
- Father's Day Treasure Hunt for Children Ages 8–12**  
Children ages 8–12, along with their father (or mother or other mentor), will learn basic concepts about bonsai. After a short lecture, the participants will go on a bonsai treasure hunt in the Museum looking for examples of what they have just learned about bonsai. Small prizes will be awarded. Maximum of two children with each adult. **Limited Enrollment.**
- Sept. 8–10**  
Arboretum Grounds
- Chinese Mid Autumn Festival**  
Special Exhibit with demonstration of rock and tree penjing and Chinese Flower Arranging.

## Fees

All Exhibits are FREE.  
Fees are charged for Workshops and some Lectures and Demonstrations.  
Please see individual listings for cost.

## Museum Hours

10:00am-3:30pm daily  
Please see individual listings for Lecture, Workshop and Demonstration times.

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