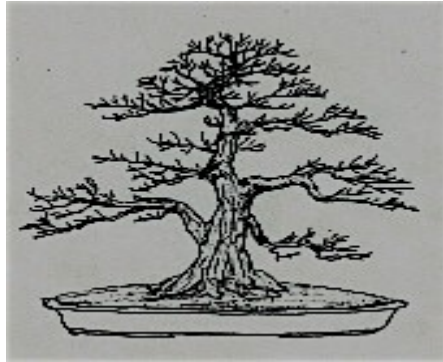


# NEWSLETTER



Baikoen Bonsai Kenkyukai

Our next meeting will be on

November 17, 2016, 7:00 p.m.

Steve Valentine

Demo

LA Arboretum (Oak Room)

301 Baldwin Ave, Arcadia CA.

Please bring something for the raffle

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## Roy Nagatoshí, October Demonstrator

Baikoen welcomed Roy Nagatoshí and his helper Alex Martínez to the October meeting. Roy Nagatoshí brings a lot of history and expertise to our meeting. He is a 3<sup>rd</sup> generation Japanese born in the US, raised in Japan from 2 years old to 13 years old, then returned to the US. Trained by his father, Shigeru, his father's bonsai master, Mr. Iura with additional classes with John Naka. He has conducted bonsai classes at his nursery Fuji Bonsai Nursery in Sylmar, and across the US and world.



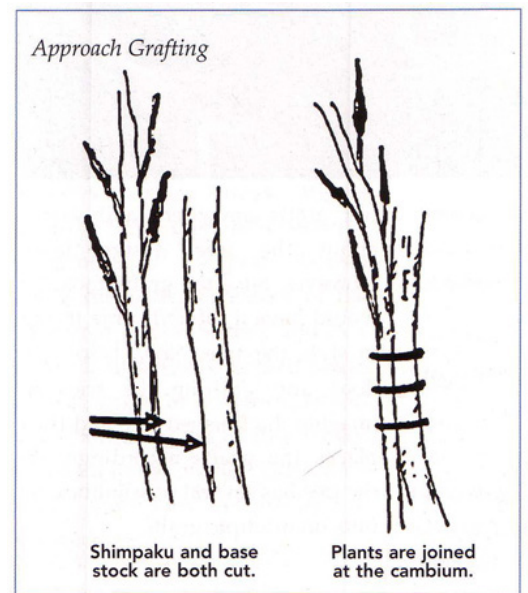
California Juniper from Harry Hirata won in a raffle by Big Joe at Kofu Kai Bonsai Club. The plant was grafted with Kishu Shimpaku in 2014 and allowed to grow freely.



In the figure, above and to the left, you can see the pot where the Shimpaku is

growing in a 4-inch pot (see arrow). The line drawing on the right shows how the graft was done. There was wire binding the scion to the California juniper but the pictures don't show this.

The figure on the far left shows the plant after the Shimpaku scion has been cut off, and the small plant (on the right) is the original Shimpaku plant that was the source of the scion. This plant can be used again for use as a scion.







Roy was very lucky that Lindsay has his tools with him, he forgot to bring his box of tools and equipment. Here he deciding which branch cutter he will use to remove foliage from the California juniper and to cut back some of the dead wood. You can see the difference in the color and shape of the leaves, Shimpaku is the



darker green with compact leaves, and the California juniper is more blue green needle-like. He will clear/clean out the California juniper leaves to be able to see the shape of the plant and the scion.



A close-up of the graft site from two different directions (left). The reddish color stem is the scion and the grayish one is the California Juniper. Roy told me that he would probably change the California juniper branch into a jin later, you can see it

just under the scion above.

The grafted scion had three branches. Two were removed during the cleaning up process. The remaining Shimpaku branch will be allowed to grow for another 2-3 years. It is too young to wire now. It will be shaped into an informal upright.



For the present time, the plant will be allowed to grow. The grafting site will be bound together again to provide support because it is still weak. The scion

does not have good taper so one of the considerations is whether the jin, on the right side (in the picture



above) should be higher or lower than the apex. The height or length of the scion may later be reduced for this reason.



Alex doing heavy branch cutting.



While this demo tree could not be raffled off, Roy donated a Brazil Rain tree that he started from a cutting. This plant



has small dark green leaves. It needs frost protection, likes heat and needs lots of water. From seed or cutting will be 8-10 years. It makes a very nice bonsi.

Roy graciously donated his demo fee back to the club.



Debbie Jigamian, other wise known as the "Spy" won the raffle (top right picture).

## Cookie / Snack sign-up for the September meeting.

Nick Kapp, Joe Galgoul, Alex Hall and Gustavo Duran.. Thank you for signing up.

## Announcements

It will be very important for you to come to the Christmas party on December 11. Details will be discussed about the Show on January 14-15 since there is no meeting before the show. I'm not sure if Mary will distribute show packets on that day.

Winter Silhouette Show will be on January 14-15, 2017. New meeting day and room change for 2017.  
Meeting day will change to the third Thursday of the month and we will meet in the Bamboo room.

December 3, 2016 Fresno, CA, Fresno Bonsai Society: 9th Annual Bonsai Yard Sale held at 736 West Browning Ave. from 8 AM till 3 PM. Bonsai, pre-bonsai, accent plants, new and used pots, stands, books, suiseki, and supplies. Everyone is welcome to buy, sell, or swap all things bonsai. For more information about the event visit us on our Facebook page or [www.fresnobonsaisociety.com](http://www.fresnobonsaisociety.com).

## December 26-30, 2016 San Marino, CA

27th Anniversary Exhibition of Viewing Stones Show at the Botanical Center of The Huntington Library & Botanical Gardens, 1151 Oxford Road, San Marino, CA Hours are 10:30-4:30 each day. Free parking. For more information, see our website [aisekikai.com](http://aisekikai.com) and or contact [sashaichris@gmail.com](mailto:sashaichris@gmail.com)

February 19 - 20, 2017 Oakland, California, GSBF Bonsai Garden at Lake Merritt: The annual Mammoth Auction and Sale Fund Raiser will be held at 666 Bellevue Ave. (Garden Center Building). Saturday: Auction preview at noon with Auction starting at 1 PM. Sunday: Vendor Sales start at 9 AM, Plant Sales start at 10 AM, and demonstrations at 1 PM. The date for this year's event is a week earlier than in the past to let attendees and vendors participate in both the Mammoth and the Bonsai-a-Thon. You are encouraged to submit your bonsai for consideration to be included in the Mammoth Auction as soon as possible. Items will be considered on a first-come-first-considered basis. The Bonsai Garden will be open 10 AM to 4 PM on Saturday and Noon to 4 PM on Sunday, so you can check out the many changes that have been made this year. For more information or to sell trees, email [bonsailakemerritt@gmail.com](mailto:bonsailakemerritt@gmail.com) and visit [www.gsbflakemerritt.org](http://www.gsbflakemerritt.org).

Feb. 25 - 26, 2017 San Marino, California, Bonsai-A-Thon XXI at the Huntington Library and Botanical Gardens, 1151 Oxford Road. This is the annual fundraiser for the GSBF Collection at The Huntington. Event admission is free with Bonsai-A-Thon "early bird" registration between 8 AM -9 AM. Event hours are 8 AM - 4:30 PM both days. Pancake breakfast, demonstrations, lunch, bonsai exhibits, large sales area, raffle and auction. For more information, visit [www.gsbfhuntington.com](http://www.gsbfhuntington.com)

## 2016 Program/Demonstrator List

January 16 & 17, 2016	Winter Silhouette Show
January 28, 2016	Mary Morrissay, election of officers
February 25, 2016	Ann Erb, Demo
March 24, 2016	Michael Sykes, Demo
April 28, 2016	Tom Vuong, Demo
May 26, 2016	Frank Goya, Demo
June 23, 2016	Mel Ikeda, Demo
July 28, 2016	Ted Matson, Demo
August 25, 2016	Bonsai Bingo!
September 22, 2016	Tak Shimazu, Demo
October 27, 2016	Roy Nagatoshi, Demo
November 17, 2016	Steve Valentine, Demo
December 11, 2016	Christmas Party
January 14-15, 2017	Winter Silhouette Show

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