

NEWSLETTER



Baikoen Bonsai Kenkyukai

Milan Karpíšek
CBS Artist

February 19, 2026
Bamboo Room
7:00pm

LA Arboretum
301 North Baldwin Avenue
Arcadia, CA 91007

Please bring something for the raffle

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Milan Karpíšek – February Demonstrator



Milan began studying bonsai in 1999 and since then has won awards in different competitions in Europe and around the world and is *one of most promising new bonsai artist on the European bonsai scene* and is ALSO the curator of the *bonsaizentrumheidelberg*.

In 2011 he attended exhibitions in Germany Bonsai Triennale, where he won the best tree of exhibition award.

In 2011 he started studies of new techniques, the cultivation and shaping rods in Switzerland by Juraj Marcinko, where he regularly commuted several times a year. Juraj Marcinko's teacher is Nobuyuki Kajiwara. Thanks to this cooperation, he has learned a lot of old and new techniques and procedures involving bonsai trees.

In 2018 Milan started work in Bonsai zentrum Heidelberg where he continues to live and work. He has continued his studies of bonsai techniques and cooperate with other people like Naoki Maeoka, Bjorn Bjornholm, Marco Invernizzi, Rafael Torres and more....

We are in for an interesting demo.

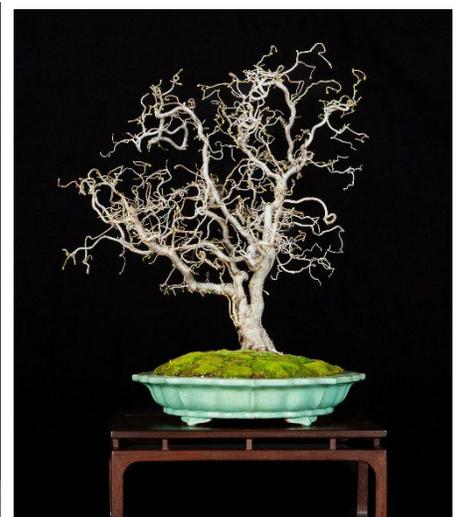
61st Winter Silhouettes Exhibition



Chinese Quince – Dan & Wanda Danesi



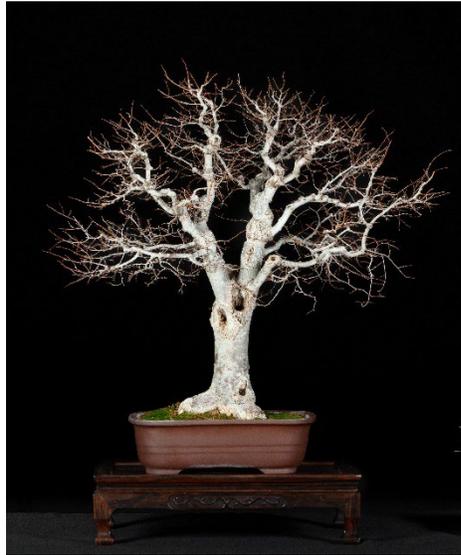
Korean Hornbeam – Ed Clark



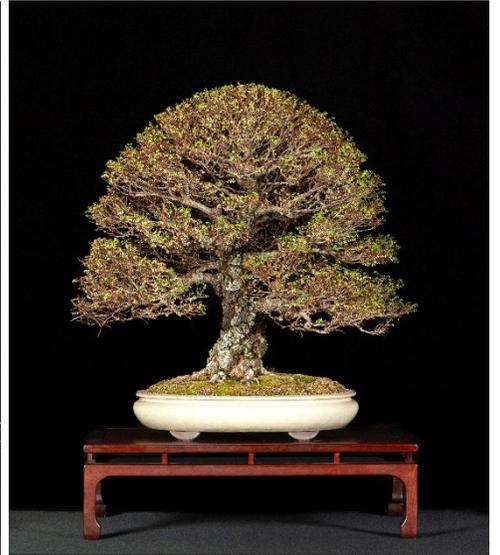
Walking Stick – Bill Ward



Chinese Elm – Tom Vuong



Zelkova – Jack Reynolds



Cork Elm – Michael Roberts



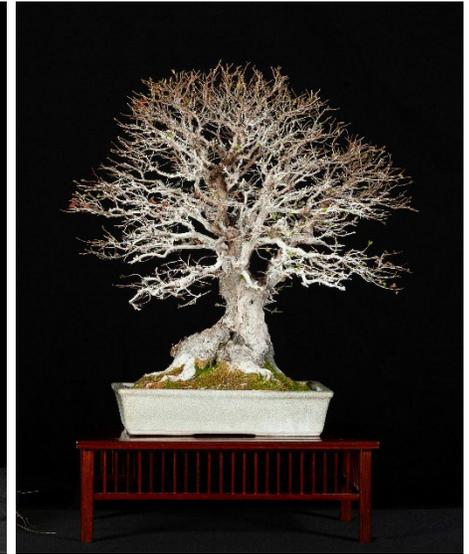
Shohin Display – Peter Macasieb



European Oak – Joe Olson



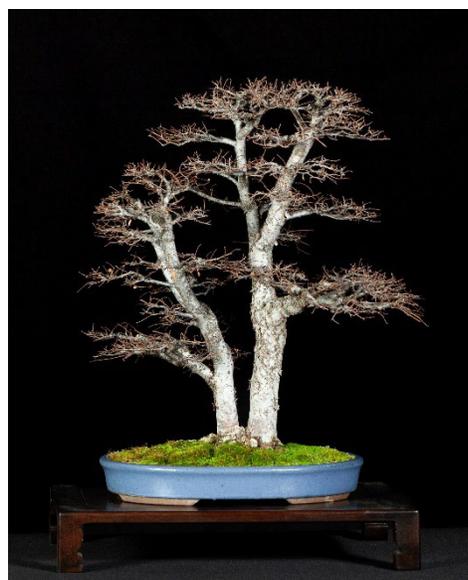
Cork Elm – Dave Miles



Korean Hornbeam – Lindsay Shiba



Chinese Elm – Mike Kelly



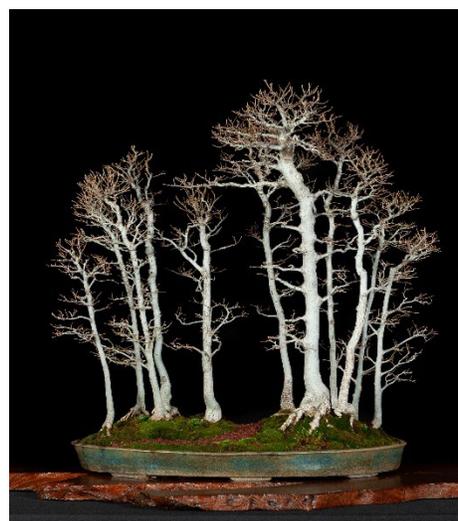
Chinese Elm – Ray Blasingame



White Chojubai – Ryan Pitts



Kotohime Maple – Tom Lau



Hackberry – Ellen Keneshea



Chinese Elm – Cindy Gold



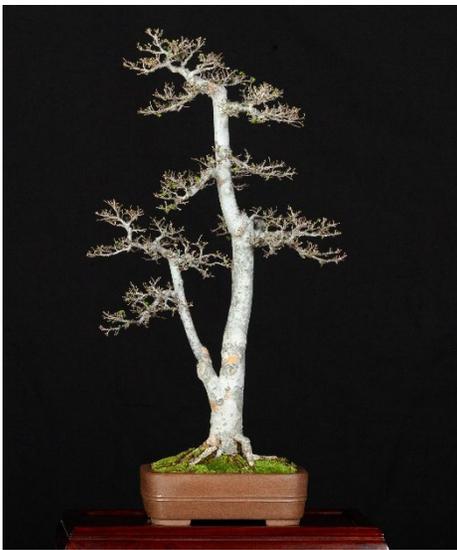
Chinese Elm – Shawheen Keyani



Pomegranate – Manuel Dizon



Pomegranate – Joe Galgoul



Chinese Elm – Eunice Jee



Pomegranate – Robert Hogveen



Princess Persimmon – Gabriel Gonzalez



Ume - Shirley Quan



Trident Maple – Jeo Cazares



Pomegranate – Mitch Matsey



Princess Persimmon – Tak Shimazu



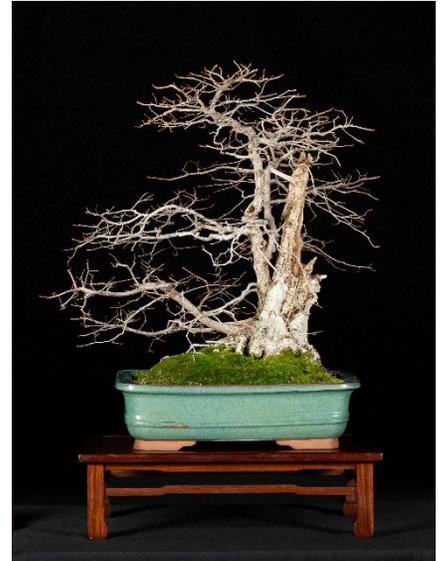
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Ginkgo – Greg Kathol



Cedar Elm – Robert King



Korean Hornbeam – John Nieson



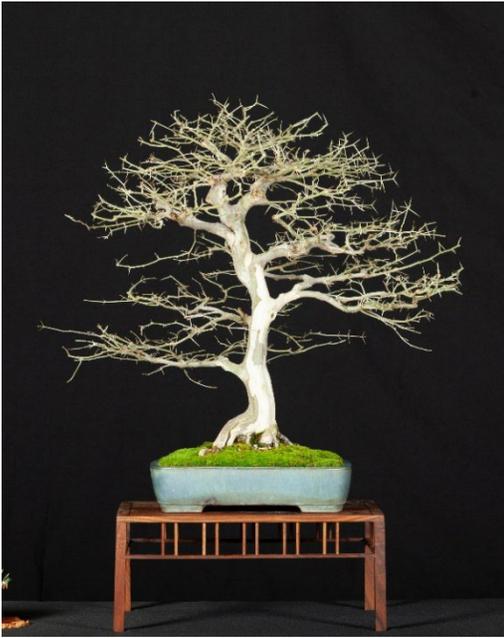
Ginkgo – Jonathan Jee



Hackberry – Gwen Stauffer



Hackberry – Bob Pressler



Brazilian Rain Tree – Steve Valentine



Chinese Elm – Ken Bross



Wisteria – Takuo Nakamura
Same tree with flowers



Remembering Jim Barrett, his pots and stands (please see separate file for his bio)

The Winter Silhouette Exhibition is not only about bonsai trees, it's about meeting new and old friends, dinner together with friends, entertainment, shopping, raffles and auctions. We had Taiko drummers. Cheryl Manning was awarded the Nagata-Komi Award. Below are pictures of the evening.







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GARDEN







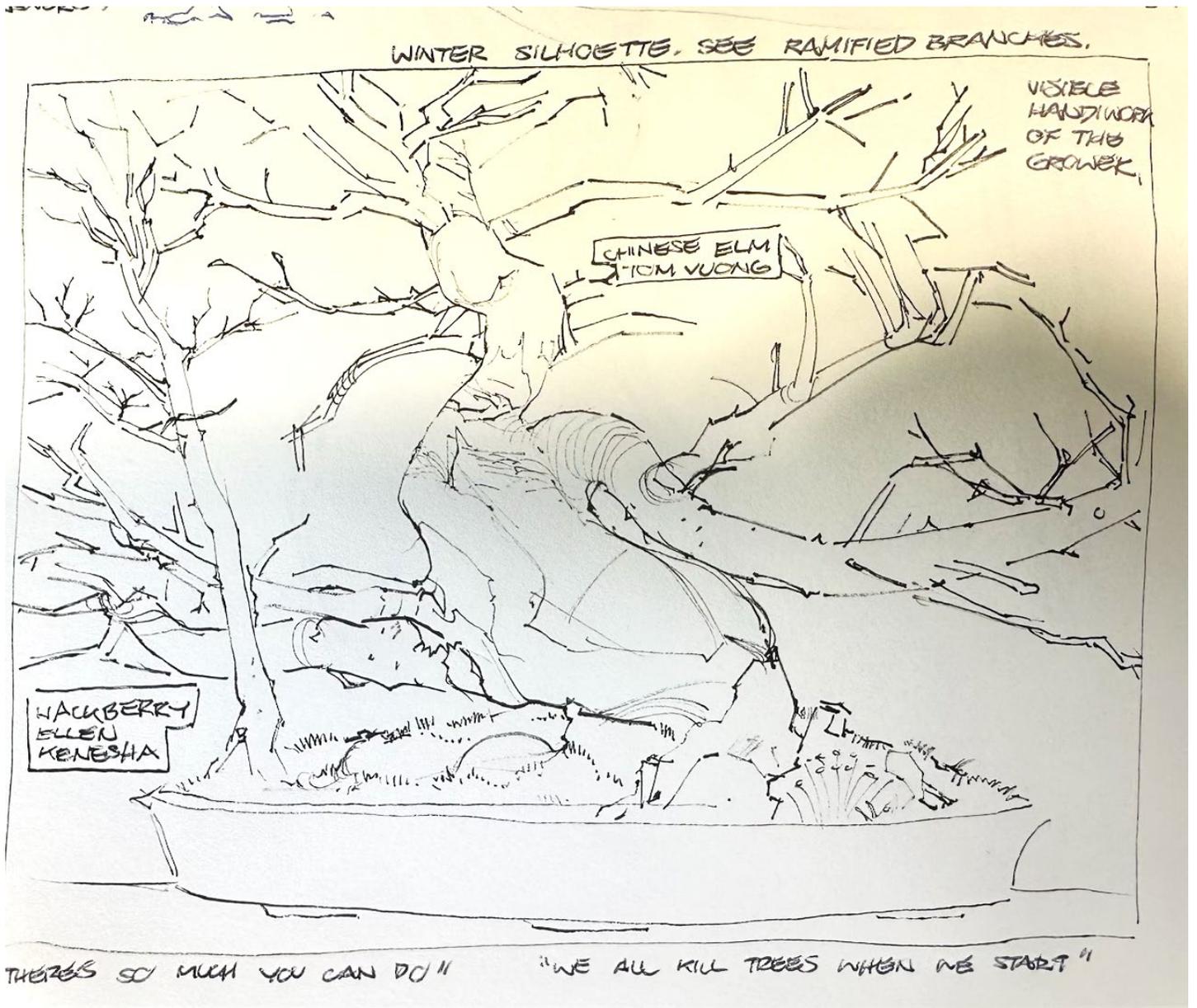


Thanks to Kelly Lui for photos





The artist and her drawing below



Announcements

The **2027 Pacific Bonsai Expo** will be held on February 6-7, 2027, at the Alameda County Fairgrounds in Pleasanton, California. We'll have updates about the event soon so stay tuned!

February 21 & 22, 2026, Annual Penjing / Bonsai and Viewing Stone Exhibition at Rothenberg Hall, The Huntington, The Southern Breeze Annual Bonsai and Viewing Stone Exhibition is an exhibition of 24 trees and 15-18 viewing stones displayed at the rotunda courtyard of Rothenberg Hall at the Huntington.

February 28 & March 1, 2026, Bonsai-A-Thon, at The Huntington, California Bonsai Society Exhibition, vendor sales of pots, trees and bonsai related items, Silent and Live Auctions and Raffles, tour of the Chinese Garden by Che Zhao Sheng, tour of the bonsai garden by Daniel Deephouse. Reservations open about mid-January 2026. See flyer for details.

March 7 & 8, 2026, BGLM Mammoth Auction and Sale 2026. Please see flyer.

March 28, 2026, 2nd Annual 2026 Bonsai Friends Sale in Garden Grove. It will be at the First Presbyterian Church of Garden Grove (the same church parking lot as last year) 11832 Euclid St., Garden Grove, CA 92840. Vendor set up begins at 8am. The sale opens to the public at 9am and ends at 2pm. Over 30 confirmed sellers will be selling conifers, junipers, oaks, boxwoods, black pines, deciduous trees, bonsai pots, accent pots, display items, and every bonsai related item of which you can think of. Come to support one of the biggest sales of the year and celebrate the friendship we share as a community.

April 25 & 26, 2026, San Diego Bonsai Club Spring Bonsai Show, Casa Del Prado 101

New ZOOM Link. Baikoen meetings will continue to be recorded live and zoomed by Tom. Here is a new link. We will be streaming our meetings live to everyone. However, it is not interactive. We encourage people to either watch the recording on YouTube or join us in person.

Tom's videos: If you have missed any of the videos that Tom has produced, here is the link to view all of them. https://www.youtube.com/results?search_query=baikoen+bonsai+club

Please remember to turn off your microphone when viewing the video.

Baikoen Demo Schedule – 2026

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| January 2026 | No Meeting Winter Silhouettes Exhibition |
| February 19, 2026 | Milan Karpíšek, CBS Artist |
| March 19, 2026 | Josh Miller – grafting |

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| April 16, 2026 | Ryan Pitts |
| May 21, 2026 | CBS Artist |
| June 18, 2026 | Ernie Hasan |
| July 16, 2026 | CBS Artist |
| August | No meeting |
| September 17, 2026 | TBA |
| October 15, 2026 | TBA |
| November 19, 2026 | Caz Caroline Cassidy, CBS artist |
| December, 2026 | Happy Holidays |