

# **SLAB PLANTING WITH PAULINE MUTH**

Last summer we collected wonderful slabs thanks to Molly Beverage. Now it is time to use them.

On September 5 we will be taking our slabs back to the Slate Museum to show off what a group of talented bonsai artists have created with them. On March 30 we will be creating single and group plantings on the slabs. You may decide to create something new from stock you already own (or you may buy new materials\*) or better yet consider moving an established bonsai creation to a slab. Look over your collection and pick something that you think would look much better when on a slab. So many creations look more in tune with your design on rock. An established bonsai is much easier to move to a slab. Of course you can start a new creation for this project also. Bring extra slabs for those who do not have any

Bring something to share for lunch and join us at noon. Program at one starting with a lesson on slab planting followed by work time.

\* see the next page for trees available





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## **MABS 2014**

information is on line at http://midatlanticbonsai.freeservers.com Remember that first timers have half price admission.

WE NEED YOUR BEST BONSAI FOR MABS. OUR CLUB NEEDS TO PROVIDE 4 EXHIBIT TREES: EITHER INDIVIDUAL BONSAI OR SHOHIN. BRING YOUR ENTREES TO OUR MARCH MEETING FOR CONSIDERATION....PLEASE!! WE NEED TO DO OUR PART AND SHOW WHAT MHBS CAN DO!!

pfm bonsai will have some trees for sale for slab plantings if anyone needs them: Possible trees: junipers, pines, larch, maples



NEED TO LEARN THE BASICS?? David Hodgetts will be teaching an Introduction to Bonsai Course at pfm bonsai starting on March 1. This is a ten week course. Dates for the meetings will be determined by the group meeting together on March 1 at 10 AM at pfm bonsai, 7 Western Ave, West Charlton, NY 10210. Email the studio for details: Pauline@pfmbonsai.com



## dues are overdue

Our dues support our programs and pay our insurance. Please send your dues check to MHBS to our treasurer Molly Beverage or bring them to the next meeting. Many thanks to all those who have already paid!!

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# MINUTES BY SANDY KISZKIEL

MHBS minutes for February 23, 2014 President Tom called the meeting to order at 1:00 P.M. 10 members and 1 guest were present Treasurer's report: \$6772.14

Upcoming events

- March 30 Planting on slabs with Pauline
  - Check your existing trees that might look better on a slab than in the pot. She will also have trees that you may purchase.
- April 25-27 MABS Send in your registration. Remember that it is half price for first time registrants.
  - May 18 Mary Madison

Renown bonsai artist who will be sharing her knowledge of tropicals with us. Pauline will provide a list of the tropicals which are oexceptional quality, reasonably priced, and usually unavailable in this area.

#### Old business

- WE NEED 4 TREES TO EXHIBIT AT MABS. PLEASE BRING THE TREES, IF YOU CAN, TO THE MARCH MEETING. Consider one of your shohin trees for that exhibit. The club will put together a combined shohin dispaly. There are many great trees just waiting to be displayed. PLEASE, PLEASE CHECK YOUR TREES!
- The show at the Slate Valley Museum has been scheduled for Sept. 5. Set up would be 5-6 P.M. with the show 7-9:30 P.M.

New business

• Ideas are needed for the October meeting. ALL SUGGESTIONS ARE WELCOME! Please bring your ideas to the next meeting or email Jon Staples or Tom.

Miscellaneous Announcements

- Our own David Hodgetts is teaching the Introduction to Bonsai Course at pfm bonsai starting on March 1. We wish him and his students every success! Want to learn from one of the best, sign up! It's not too late.
- Two of our members are leaving us and moving south. We will definitely miss Dorice Nelson and Pieri Hayes. They have worked hard and contributed much to our club. We wish them a fond farewell, hope they come back to visit, and email us often!
- Members did a great job working together and styling trees. The trees will be raffled at upcoming meetings.

Adjournment A motion to adjourn was made and seconded. Meeting was adjourned. THE BONSAI CREATED BY THE GROUPS WILL BE BROUGHT TO THE MARCH MEETING.

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#### MHBS 2014 programs

MHBS Calendar

Mar. 30 Planting on slabs with Pauline at pfm bonsai
Apr.25-27 MABS at the Ramada Inn in East Hanover NJ
May 18 Mary Madison tropicals at pfm bonsai
June 29 Potentilla workshop with Pauline at pfm bonsai
July 27 Outdoor stand building at pfm bonsai
Aug. Overnight field trip to see Doug Paul's collection in Philadelphia and Longwood Gardens
Sept 5 1<sup>st</sup>. Friday Art Show at the Granite Museum in Granville, NY
Sept. 19-20-21Club show in Saratoga 19th is set up only
Oct. 26 TBD
Nov. 23 Open workshop
Dec. 6 holiday party

### REGIONAL AND NATIONAL EVENTS

MABS April 25-27 East Hanover NJ http://midatlanticbonsai.freeservers.com Fourth NATIONAL BONSAI EXHIBITION Rochester NY http://www.internationalbonsai.com/ store/1708315/uploaded/national\_exhibition/index.html ABS/GSBF Oct 31 Sacramento CA <u>http://www.gsbf-bonsai.org/convention/</u> DCL A is find the information of th

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