Bonsai Exhibit, Demonstration and Marketplace October 1st

The Bonsai Society of Portland will host this educational and fun event to inspire appreciation of the art and culture of bonsai.

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The Pacific NW is fast becoming the epicenter of Bonsai in the United States! Members of the Bonsai Society of Portland, are sharing the secrets of this ancient art on October 1st from 9 a.m. – 5 p.m. The club, celebrating it’s 50th anniversary will present an exhibit, demonstration, and marketplace at the Milwaukie Center. The event is designed to educate the public about the aesthetics and techniques of this ancient but fast growing and evolving art form of bonsai.

The 300-member organization will display an extensive exhibit by its members. Their bonsai represent a wide range of plant varieties and styles. This is a great opportunity for anyone interested in gardening in a limited space. Bring mother-nature into your homes, decks or back yards with a rewarding, hands-on living art form. Watch your efforts grow and change with every season! It will be a fun event for anyone interested in downsized horticulture and miniature design. What a great personalized gift for those who love the outdoors!

Beginners are encouraged to attend. Live demonstrations will be ongoing throughout the event. Visitors can learn the basics of bonsai or more advanced techniques. Bonsai Society members will be available to answer questions, talk about their trees, share opinions and recommendations.

Marketplace items will include mature bonsai, early stage trees and everything in between. Prices will reflect tree quality from inexpensive starters to show-quality trees. Pots, tools, books and related items will also be available. Several trees will be auctioned at noon and 4pm. Door prizes will also be awarded.

Bonsai attracts an interesting mix of individuals. The group’s members will be available to share knowledge and opinions on design, horticulture, techniques and more. Membership includes students to physicists, potters to arborists, and writers to chefs. Their backgrounds are as varied as the bonsai they create. Portland’s favorable climate and environment supports a large diversity of tree types.

Since bonsai often outlive their owners, the group’s educational mission is essential. Vice-President, Steve Leaming, embodies the group’s ongoing educational role. “Bonsai is living art that is ever changing. The BSOP mission is education at every level form beginner though advanced. We teach members not only how to keep trees alive, but how to continuously develop them for the future.”

The Bonsai Society of Portland is a 501-c-3 nonprofit. The group includes a wide spectrum of participants from true beginners to national award winners.

The October event is open to the public and children friendly: $2 per adult or $5 per family. All ages will find activities to learn the basics of design and care. A special children’s area will provide hands-on experience.

The Milwaukie Center is located at 5440 SE Kellogg Creek Drive in Milwaukie with ample free parking.
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Admission: Adults $2, Families $5

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