

Garden Event

5-31-25 and 6-1-25, 10:30am-4:00pm, Bonsai & Fuchsia Show & Sale, Corona del Mar 92625

Description of the Bonsai Show & Sale = Come and learn about the art of bonsai. The show will include a display of exquisite miniature trees presented by Coastal Bonsai and introduce visitors to a variety of techniques and approaches. Following the ancient Japanese tradition, the trees are intended to replicate the character of old trees found in nature using trees or shrubs grown in containers. Find out more about the art of dwarfing and reshaping the gifts of nature into a living art object. This group of bonsai enthusiasts is dedicated to sharing their skills and to inspiring the next generation of growers. Members of Coastal Bonsai will be available during the show to give advice and information, including giving talks and workshops.

Description of the Fuchsia Show & Sale = The Orange County Fuchsia Society will be displaying a wide variety of beautiful and unusual fuchsias. Society members will be available to talk to guests about successfully growing and caring for fuchsias as well as giving advice on selecting the perfect plant to take home. Many of the fuchsias in the plant sale have been grown by members of the society, giving them a great head start. The sale will include hanging baskets and fuchsias of all sizes, including 2-inch starter plants.

Demonstration = Shohin Bonsai, Saturday, May 31 at 11:30 am. You may never have wondered what a shohin bonsai looks like, but after you hear Peter Macasieb, shohin bonsai master, you will wonder at these delightful, diminutive treasures of the bonsai world. Peter studied under Harry Hiro, Tak Shimazu and Boon Manakitivipart and has demonstrated internationally. Peter will have a variety of his shohin to present and discuss as well as a full formal shohin display.

Talk and Q&A = Fuchsia Care 365, Saturday, May 31 at 1:30 pm. Learn how to care for your newly purchased fuchsia plants throughout the year. Presented by Dennis Ploucher from the Orange County Fuchsia Society.

Talk = Succulent Bonsai, Sunday, June 1 at 11:30 am. Join Gary Lai and broaden your understanding of the art of Bonsai and how you can use a common succulent to develop a bonsai. A short description of the *Portulacaria afra* succulent will be given with several samples being shown and what attributes this plant species has that makes it an ideal house and garden plant. Until only recently there has been an increase interest among some Bonsai enthusiasts for using some succulent plants in shows as companion plants for their tree displays and one particular Bonsai artist who lived locally in Southern California started using the elephant jade he was propagating as his Bonsai training material because of its unusual bark which exhibited cork formation and this visual attribute bestowed a feeling of great age to the tree. There will be several examples of this cork bark jade that have been prepared using Bonsai training techniques.

Tour = Sherman Fuchsia Collection, Sunday, June 1 at 1:30 pm. We have always been famous for our fuchsias and in June they will be at their finest. Take a closer look at our resplendent display with the staff who care for this extraordinary collection. The tour will be led by Sherman Senior Horticulturist, Carol Younger.

Cost = Free with Garden Admission

Location = Sherman Library & Gardens, 2647 E. Coast Hwy, Corona del Mar 92625

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