



Please mark your calendars and plan on attending our special events:  
 Exhibits  
 Special Programs  
 ANY Change of dates and times will be published on the Website!

**Please NOTE:**  
 Our 2024 activities are a work in progress!






Do you have a program topic of interest or article idea?  
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# Bonsai Society of Greater Kansas City

## [Tentative] Schedule of Events 2025\*

<b>Dates/Locations</b> 	<b>Doors open at the specified location or as noted for each below! Generally:</b> Hospitality: Coffee and light snacks (donations are appreciated) Dates with <b>Workshops</b> : Bring <b>table cover</b> , your trees, tools and supplies and work on the dates below. Zoom will also be available by email invite! <b>Location: Trailside Center, 9901 Holmes Rd (parking in rear)</b>	9:30 9:45-10:00 10:00-12:00*
January 25	Board & Committee chairs Meeting (in-person and ZOOM: All <u>society members</u> may attend) Getting ready/planning work session for 2025	10:00 until completed
February 8 In-person & Zoom	Program/Workshop: Winter Pruning! We will focus on bud selection using Elm and Maple species (with a mention of Black Pine). We will also take the opportunity to touch on design. There will be examples; if you have a tree or two (even tropicals) bring them along and do some hands-on!	10:00 AM
March 8 In-person & Zoom	Program/Workshop: Wire ON-Wire OFF! How to do it, how to apply the techniques and monitor it to prevent wire scars. If you want to join along, bring your tree and wire, or listen and observe. We will also discuss design during the process and how wiring helps us achieve our goals	10:00 AM
April 12 In-person & Zoom	Program/Workshop: Evaluate trees for repotting! Does it need it or not? And what to look for if you take a tree out of a pot and how to handle the roots safely! Be ready when your trees, and weather, are ready! Will include a general soil component discussion.	10:00 AM
May 10 In-person & Zoom	Program/Workshop: How do you approach design with a “new” tree or nursery material? It’s a process! A step by step evaluation! We will review design basics and do hands on. Bring trees/material to work along.	10:00 AM
June 14	Program/Workshop: Post spring growth pruning! How to evaluate what needs pruning and when! And good time to do air-layering! Discussion and hands-on: bring your trees for help!	10:00 AM
<b>June 28 &amp; 29</b> <b>Members only</b> Doors open at 9:00 More details to come!	<b>Guest Bonsai Master: Pedro Morales, Puerto Rico</b> A world-renowned Bonsai Artist and Specialist in growing Tropicals and design expert for <u>ALL species</u> in the traditional Japanese styles! Multiple Presentations/Demos available and free to all dues-current members. For Classes: Registration forms required, see Next Newsletter/email	9:30-12:00 1:00-4:00 Each Day
July 12 NEW date <b>EXHIBIT!</b> Details to be added!	Summer Exhibit and Presentation/Demo (Tree arrival time: 9:00 AM) Anita B. Gorman, <u>Discovery Center</u> , MO Conservation, 4750 Troost; <u>Lewis &amp; Clark Room!</u> <u>ALL out by 4:00pm</u> (Go east on 47th, past the Nelson Art Museum, take a right on Troost, driveway on right, past the KFC)	Exhibit open: 10:00 - 3:30
July 26 in-person & zoom Summer Work!	More hands-on work with Tropicals! Pruning/defoliating/wiring - all activities are great for this time of year! Time to evaluate all our trees and address any summer heat issues/remedies.	10:00 AM 
August: 9	Program & Workshop: TBA	10:00
September: 13	Program & Workshop: TBA	10:00
September: 27 & 28 <b>Members only Event,</b> <b>Doors open @9:00</b>	EVENT: Guest Bonsai Artist, Todd Schlafer, Colorado Award winning artist in design and experience maintaining bonsai. A specialist in collected Mountain Trees (see FirstBranchBonsai.com) Multiple Demos/classes will be available.	9:30-12:00 1:00-4:00 Each Day
October 4 <b>FALL Exhibit</b> <b>JCCC</b>	Annual Fall Exhibit at the Japanese Festival 2025: 12345 College Blvd, Johnson County Community College, Student Center, 1st. floor Mark your calendars, plan on showing a tree or two.	10:00-4:30 
October 11	Program/Workshop: TBA	10:00-12:00
November 8	Annual Auction/Annual Society Fund-raiser: Only members, in good standing, may bid Bidding continues until everything <u>finds a new home!</u>	9:15 open 10:00-1:00? 
December 13 	Annual Business Meeting (in person and zoom) Committee Chair reports and highlights of 2025 Nominating Committee Report Election of Returning and/or New Board Members Election of Officers 2026 <b>Brief Meeting</b> of the new board, 2026 Committee Chair Appointments	10:00-1:00 Doors open at 9:15AM

\* Help is available for beginners at each meeting from 10:00 to 12:00; workspace is also available!  
**YOU ARE RESPONSIBLE TO CLEAN UP** Table and floor, **YOU MUST** use a table cover to protect the surface;  
 Major **SOIL** work is **NOT** allowed inside the facility! An **OUTSIDE** area can be made available upon request!