

Bonsai Society of Greater Kansas City

As of July: Schedule of Events 2026*

Dates/Locations	Doors open at the specified location or as noted for each below! Generally: Hospitality: Coffee and light snacks (donations are appreciated) Dates with Workshops: Bring <u>table cover</u> , your trees, tools and supplies and work on the dates below. Zoom will also be available by email invite! Location: <u>Trailside Center, 9901 Holmes Rd (parking in rear)</u>	9:30 9:45-10:00 10:00-12:00*
 September: 12	Short Program & hands-on: Fall Fertilization! This is THEE most important time to fertilize. As the shorter day length triggers our trees to prepare for winter, various changes start happening in plant tissues. Adequate nutrients are necessary to complete the process. Fertilization becomes very important to help protect our trees from "winter" challenges and set them up for coming out of winter dormancy next Spring.	10:00
<u>September: 26</u> <u>Members only Event,</u> <u>Doors open @9:00</u>	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) <u>ALL Demos are FREE to members!</u> <u>Saturday AM DEMO:</u> ALL Members! Informal presentation and demo with plant material. Each tree is raffled at the end of the demo! <u>Saturday PM Class:</u> Registration for students prior to weekend. You can reserve your spot by email! Students are allowed to request both days/class times and everyone will be accommodated. Your tree(s) and supplies may remain overnight, building is locked until the next morning. Observers may register same day!	9:30-12:00 1:00-4:00
<u>September: 27</u> <u>Members only Event,</u> <u>Doors open @9:00</u>	<u>Sunday AM: Class #2</u> Time for Students and Observers Continues; we clean up, break for lunch and set up for the afternoon Demonstration! <u>Sunday PM DEMO#2:</u> FREE to All members! Another informal presentation and demo with plant material. Photos and questions are encouraged! It is a great learning experience! <u>DON'T MISS OUT! Come watch Todd as he explains his design process!</u>	9:30-12:00 1:00-4:00
<u>October 3</u> <u>FALL Exhibit</u> <u>JCCC</u> 	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. <u>Trees to be shown should arrive no later than 9:00 AM!</u> <u>ALL</u> trees are welcome, even those in training! Showing our visitors our bonsai beginnings is important. We will have a special area/table set up for these trees! Alternatives to trees, such as succulents/cacti, and viewing stones are also welcomed! Easy parking is available to us and You will also receive a wristband to visit other areas of the festival!	Exhibit opens: 10:00-4:30
October 10	Program/Workshop: Late Fall, light/unwanted twig/small branch pruning. <u>Also: SOJI = Cleaning up your soil and preparing your trees for winter!</u> This is a great time to evaluate your trees: check wiring closely. Look for insect and other damage. Check the soil surface: is it "crusty or compacted"? So many simple things we can do for our trees that will make them happier! AND make those pots "weed-free" for the winter!	10:00-12:00
October 24 <u>Work time Added!</u>	Hands-ON Workshop: Still time for trimming/light pruning and design. Wiring TOO! Come join us! Bring trees, table cover, etc. or just yourself! Do you need help? It will be provided!	10:00-12:00
November 14	Annual Auction/Annual Society Fund-raiser: Only members, in good standing, may bid Bidding continues until everything <u>finds a new home!</u> Lots of POTS are expected this year! 	9:15 open 10:00-1:00?
December 12 	Annual Business Meeting (in person and zoom) Committee Chair reports and highlights of 2026 Nominating Committee Report Election of Returning and/or New Board Members Election of Officers 2027 <u>Brief Meeting</u> of the new board, 2027 Committee Chair Appointments	10:00-1:00 Doors open at 9:30AM

* 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!



Saturday, Evening

September 26

Join us for a casual
dinner with Todd at
Jun's Japanese
Restaurant

Reserve with Ruth
Saturday AM

Meet at 5:15

Please NOTE:

**Our 2026 ac-
tivities are a
work in
progress!**

Do you have a
program topic of
interest or article
idea?

Let us know!



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