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The annual show

How was the OBS' Annual Show this year? Visit the Japanese Embassy's website at www.ca.emb-japan.go.jp/ and see Barney Shum discussing one of our trees with Ambassador Sadaaki Numata and Mrs. Numata. This picture alone is worth a thousand words, but while you're on the Embassy's site click on "Ambassador", then on "speeches" and read the warm welcome given at the Official Opening of the show.

Ambassador Numata's speech is also posted to the OBS web site.

As images that follow will attest, the quality of the show was up to standards of prior years with a good showing of trees and landscapes from newer Members to complement compositions of senior Members.

As usual, a good number of new Members registered at the show. Yvon Bernier will have the final tally for the October Meeting.

There is still room for improvement. We noted several suggestions from visitors and Members. And although there were hundreds of visitors, attendance was somewhat down from 2004 and 2005 levels. We will focus on more effective publicity for the 2007 show.

Your Group is looking forward to helping everyone prepare their hardy plants for dormancy, getting those new Members up to speed, and implementing plans for an interesting and productive 2006/07 year for the OBS.

Next meeting

Monday, October 16 at 7:00pm

The evening will be divided in three portions. The first portion will be a presentation on wintering your trees. You will be able to find out what are the wintering conditions that we have to provide our different types of trees in our region. In the second portion, we will take a look at the results obtained so far on the spring workshop trees that participants will bring to the meeting. In the third portion of the meeting, we will look at design possibilities for a pre-bonsai.

BONSAI COURSE FOR BEGINNERS

In response to numerous request, particularly from new members, the OBS will be conducting a bonsai course for beginners this Fall to be followed in the Spring by a workshop during which participants will have the opportunity of developing their own bonsai using provided material. The theoretical course on bonsai fundamentals will follow the *Bonsai Design – Level 1* course developed by Barney Shum and Lynn Edmonds and covers such topics as: Bonsai as an Art Form; Classic Bonsai Criteria; Bonsai Styles; Suitable Plant Material; Tools, Supplies and Growing Medium; The Bonsai Development Process; and General Care and Maintenance. On completion of this one day course (5-6 hours), participants will have the essential knowledge required to begin to develop bonsai for our climate zone. Lecture notes will be provided. Cost of this course is set at \$20 per person for OBS members and \$25 for non-members, to be paid at the start of the course.

DATE: Saturday, November 25, from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Building #72, Central Experimental Farm

REGISTRATION : No later than November 15

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COURS SUR LES BONSAÏS POUR DÉBUTANTS

Suite à plusieurs demandes, plus particulièrement de nouveaux membres, la SBO donnera, cet automne, un cours pour débutants, lequel sera suivi, au printemps, d'un atelier au cours duquel les participants auront l'occasion de créer leur propre bonsaï à partir d'un plant de pépinière. Le cours théorique repose sur les enseignements du manuel *Bonsai Design – Level 1* écrit par Barney Shum et Lynn Edmonds. Ce cours d'une journée (5-6 heures) fournira les éléments de base qui permettront à ceux et celles qui le suivront de commencer à former et à entretenir des bonsaïs dans nos conditions climatiques. Le manuel de base est écrit en anglais et le cours sera donné dans cette langue, mais l'instructeur principal, Vianney Leduc, se fera un plaisir de fournir des explications en français au besoin. Le prix de ce cours est fixé à 20\$ par personne pour les membres de la SBO et à 25\$ pour les non-membres, payable au début du cours

DATE: Le samedi 25 novembre de 9h30 à 15h30, Édifice #72, Ferme expérimentale centrale

INSCRIPTION : Au plus tard le 15 novembre

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New Members and Winner of Draw / Nouveaux membres et gagnant du tirage

The recruitment campaign conducted during our Annual Exhibition was most successful again this year, and it is with great pleasure that we extend a warm welcome to the following new members:

La campagne de recrutement menée durant notre Exposition annuelle fut très fructueuse encore cette année et il nous fait grand plaisir de souhaiter la bienvenue aux nouveaux membres suivants :

Nathalie Carter, Nicole J. Côté, Catherine Letendre, Richard Leclerc, Stephen Markey, Alexandre Singh, Jeanne Vaillancourt

The draw among these new members for our prize has given the following result:

Le tirage d'un prix parmi ces nouveaux membres a donné le résultat suivant:

Book by Susan Lang / Livre de Susan Lang : *Bonsai* : **Nathalie Carter**

Pictures of Trees from our Annual Show





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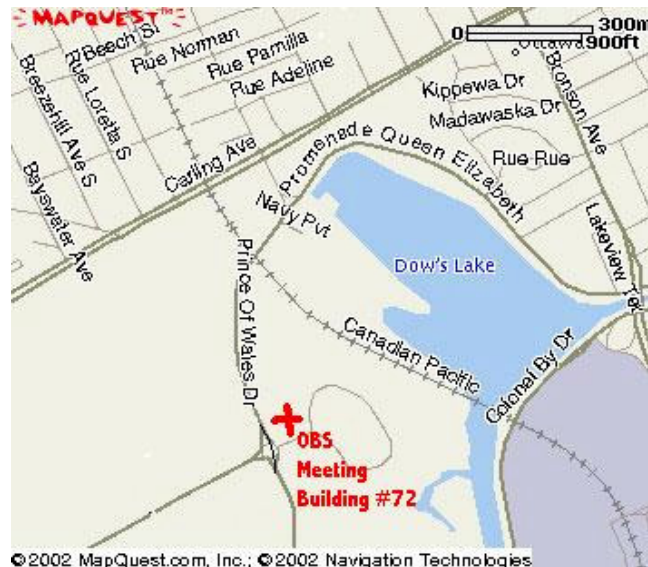
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Meeting Location / Lieu des rencontres

Nos rencontres se tiennent à l'édifice #72 de la Ferme expérimentale centrale. Pour vous y rendre, prenez la direction sud sur la promenade Prince of Wales jusqu'au rond-point à l'intersection National Capital Driveway et Prince of Wales (qui est aussi l'entrée principale de la Ferme expérimentale et de l'Arboretum), où vous prendrez la direction Est menant à l'Arboretum. Une courte distance plus loin, à la première fourche, Prenez la route de gauche qui mène directement à l'édifice #72 (vous verrez une affiche juste en face de l'édifice, de l'autre côté du chemin, qui dit «Friends of the Farm» . Le stationnement est situé de part et d'autre de l'édifice.



Our meetings are held at Building #72 at the Central Experimental Farm. Heading south on Prince of Wales, at the traffic circle at the intersection of the N.C.C. Scenic Drive and Prince of Wales, the major entrance to the Experimental Farm and the Arboretum, exit east into the Arboretum. After a very short distance, where the road divides, turn left to Building #72 which will be down a short distance on your left. There is parking just before or just after the building. The entrance is on the street side (east side) and there is a sign reading "Friends of the Farm".