

Golden State Bonsai Federation XXXI

Registration

October 29 –November 2 ,2008

Doubletree Hotel/ Modesto Centre Plaza, Modesto, California

Registration Opens July 1, 2008

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Name (person #2) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
 Country \_\_\_\_\_ Primary Club \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

FULL REGISTRATION INCLUDES: Entry to all demonstrations; viewing all workshops; Question and Answer Session; bonsai and suiseki exhibits; raffle, vendor area; 4 meals (Friday dinner, Saturday lunch, Saturday banquet, Sunday lunch); Convention logo pin, gift bag, and a one year subscription to Golden Statements to the same household address. Please see the Workshop and Refund Policies on the last page. Workshop observers are required to return a signed wavier form.

**Early Registration Is Closed**

Full Registration <b>(August 16 onward)</b>	Individual	\$265	\$ _____
	Family (2 from same household)	\$515	\$ _____
	Registrations subtotal		\$ _____
	Registration Alternatives subtotal		\$ _____
	Workshops, Seminars, Critiques subtotal		\$ _____
		<u>Total</u>	\$ _____

Make checks payable to GSBF Convention 2008 or use the credit card option below and mail to:

Mary Miller, Registrar  
 2516 Kilkenny Dr.  
 Modesto, CA 95355

For more information:  
 209-523-6942  
[Email: mary.k.miller@sbcglobal.net](mailto:mary.k.miller@sbcglobal.net)

Credit Card Type:  Visa  MC  AmEx  Discover

Card Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Expires: \_\_\_\_\_

Name as it appears on card: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Important: The "Convention Rate" at the Double Tree Hotel for Golden State Bonsai Federation participants will run out Oct. 9<sup>th</sup>. Call now to book your room. Bob Shimon's Sun. morning Workshop has been rescheduled to Fri. morning and will be a flat rate of \$250. Johnny Uchida's Black Pine Workshop is now \$250.**

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### Registration Alternatives

	# of People	Cost	Total
<b>Wednesday, Oct 29<sup>th</sup></b>			
Blue Oak Nursery - Open House 10am-4pm			
BBQ/Wine Tasting - \$10 a person from 11am-2pm. Demos are 12n-2pm.			
784 Albers Rd. Modesto, CA 95357 ph: 209-523-5857			
<b>Thursday, Oct 30<sup>th</sup></b>			
One-day registration (no meals)	_____	\$25	\$ _____
<b>Friday, Oct 31<sup>st</sup></b>			
One-day registration (no meals)	_____	\$45	\$ _____
Dinner	_____	\$50	\$ _____
<b>Saturday, Nov 1<sup>st</sup></b>			
One-day Registration (no meals)	_____	\$45	\$ _____
Lunch	_____	\$35	\$ _____
Banquet	_____	\$65	\$ _____
<b>Sunday, Nov 2<sup>nd</sup></b>			
One-day registration (no meals)	_____	\$25	\$ _____
Lunch	_____	\$35	\$ _____
Complete set of extra meals	_____	\$170	\$ _____

**Golden Statements (subscription is included in full registration)**

single or multi. day registratants can order below

Bulk - \$20	1Class-\$30	Internatinal-\$37	Golden Statements Subtotal	\$ _____
<b>Pre-order the Convention Polo shirt \$25 each</b>				# _____
sm	med	lg	xl	xxl
<b>Convention Apron (one size) \$17 each</b>				# _____
order correct sizes & give total				\$ _____

	Meal Choices (please check one)	Person #1	Person #2
<b>Friday Dinner</b>	Char-Grilled New York Steak	_____	_____
	Almond Crusted Halibut	_____	_____
<b>Saturday Lunch</b>	Turkey Breast/Whipped Potatoes & Gravy	_____	_____
	Asian Chicken/Rice	_____	_____
<b>Saturday Banquet</b>	Filet Mignon	_____	_____
	Pork Pailliards "Orloff"	_____	_____
<b>Sunday Luncheon</b>	Stanislaus Luncheon Buffet	_____	_____
<b>Vegetarian Meals</b>	Check here for all meals Vegetarian	_____	_____



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**Waivers for Workshop Participants and Observers**

AGREEMENT AND RELEASE FROM LIABILITY FOR PARTICIPANTS  
AND/OR OBSERVERS IN BONSAI WORKSHOPS

- 1 ) I \_\_\_\_\_, acknowledge that I voluntarily observe, or participate in bonsai workshops being held by the Golden State Bonsai Federation at the 31st Annual Convention held in Modesto, CA from October 29 to November 2nd, 2008.
  
- 2 ) I am aware that working with bonsai tools and equipment is a hazardous activity. I am voluntarily observing or participation in these activities with full knowledge of the danger involved. I agree to accept any and all risk of injury, and verify this statement by placing my initials here:\_\_\_\_\_.  
(INITIAL HERE)
  
- 3 ) As consideration for being permitted by the Golden State Bonsai Federation to participate in these bonsai workshops, I hereby agree that I, my assignees, heirs, distributes, guardians and legal representative will not make claim against, sue, or attach the property of the Golden State Bonsai Federation or the Workshop Instructors of the Assistants for injury or damages resulting from my observation of or activities in, the Workshop or from the action of the other participants. I hereby release and shall indemnify the Golden State Bonsai Federation and the Workshop Instructors and their Assistants from all action, claims or demands that I, or my assignees, heirs, distributes, guardians and legal representative may have for any injury or damages resulting from my observation of, or participation in, these Workshops.
  
- 4 ) I HAVE CAREFULLY READ THIS AGREEMENT AND FULLY UNDERSTAND ITS CONTENT. I AM AWARE THAT THIS DOCUMENT/WAIVER IS A RELEASE OF LIABILITY AND A CONTRACT BETWEEN MYSELF, AND THE GOLDEN STATE BONSAI FEDERATION AND SIGN IT OF MY OWN FREE WILL.

Executed at \_\_\_\_\_  
(CITY)  
on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2008  
(DATE) (MONTH)

Printed Name \_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Printed Name \_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Witnessed by \_\_\_\_\_

## Schedule for Golden State Bonsai Convention 2008

### Wednesday, October 29th

10am-4pm Blue Oak Nursery Open House  
 11am-2pm BBQ & Wine Tasting & Demos  
 1pm-5pm Registration Open

### Thursday, October 30th

7am -5pm Registration Open  
 8-11am Seminar Pt.1- Kathy Shaner  
 " Workshop - Ted Matson  
 " Workshop - Marty Schmalenberg  
 10:30am Gallo VIP Tour  
 11am-2pm Lunch on your own  
 12n-4pm Exhibit Open  
 12n-6pm Vendors Room Open  
 1:30pm Gallo VIP Tour  
 2-5pm Seminar Pt.2- Kathy Shaner  
 " Workshop - Steve Valentine  
 " Workshop - Basics Class  
 3pm Gallo VIP Tour  
 4:30-5:30p Tree Critique - Marty Schmalenberg  
 6pm Dinner on your own

### Friday, October 31st

6-8:30am GSBF Executive Meeting  
 7am -5pm Registration Open  
 8-9am Tree Critique -Boon Manakitivipart

8-11am 5 District Styling Competition  
 " Workshop - Bob Shimon  
 " Workshop Pt.1 - Peter Adams  
 " Workshop - Tak Shimazu  
 " Workshop - Basics Class  
 9am-5pm Benefit Drawing Area Open  
 8am-6pm Vendors Room Open  
 10am-4pm Exhibit Open  
 10:30am Gallo VIP Tour  
 11am-2pm Lunch on your own  
 1:30pm Gallo VIP Tour  
 2-5pm Demo - Marty Schmalenberg  
 " Workshop - John Thompson  
 " Workshop - Johnny Uchida  
 " Workshop - Basics Class  
 3pm Gallo VIP Tour  
 4:30-5:30p Tree Critique - Peter Adams  
 6-7pm No Host Open Bar  
 7pm Dinner in Tuolumne Room  
 8pm Convention Thank You  
 " Styling Competiton Winners  
 " First Raffle

### Saturday, November 1st

7-8am GSBF Annual General Meeting and Election  
 7am-5pm Registration Open  
 8-9am Tree Critique - Kathy Shaner  
 8-11am Seminar - Mel Ikeda  
 " Demo - Boon Manakitivipart  
 " Workshop - Pt.2 Peter Adams  
 " Workshop - Scott Chadd  
 " Workshop - Basics Class  
 9am-5pm Benefit Drawing Area Open  
 8am-6pm Vendors Room Open  
 10am-4pm Exhibit Open  
 11:30a-1:30p Lunch in Tuolumne Room  
 " Second Raffle  
 2-5pm Demo- Tak Shimazu  
 " Workshop - Cary Sullivan Valentine  
 " Workshop - Sam Adina  
 " Workshop - Boon Manakitivipart  
 " Workshop - Basics Class  
 6-7pm No Host Open Bar  
 7pm Banquet Dinner  
 8pm GSBF Awards  
 " Auction & Third Raffle

### Sunday November 2nd

7-11am Registration Open  
 8-9am Tree Critique - Tak Shimazu  
 8-11am Demo - Harry Hirao  
 8-11am Workshop - Bob Shimon  
 " Workshop - Basics Class  
 9-11am Benefit Drawing Room Open  
 8am-noon Vendors Room Open  
 10-11am Exhibit Open  
 11:30a-1p Luncheon in Tuolumne Room  
 1pm Final Raffle  
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Thank You for Participating!

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**Hotel Reservations:**

Doubletree Hotel  
1150 Ninth Street  
Modesto, CA 95354

Local Number: (209)526-6000

Toll Free: 1-800-222-8733

[www.modesto.doubletree.com](http://www.modesto.doubletree.com)

Room Rates: \$105/night single or double occupancy  
Executive floor:\$125/night single or double occupancy  
All rooms subject to 9.08% local taxes, fees and assesments.

**Please tell them you are with the  
Golden State Bonsai Federation Convention  
Call and reserve your room early**

**WORKSHOP POLICIES:** Workshop observers and participants are required to return a signed wavier form. Workshops will be sold on a first-come first-served basis. Entry date for workshop will be determined from postmark, for mail-in forms; or from date registered online. Full registrants have priority in workshops. Confirmation of workshops will be sent by mail or email. Please mark workshop choices based on preference (i.e., 1-First Choice, 2-Second Choice, 3-Third Choice). You are required to pay for the most expensive workshop and adjustments will be made as needed. Balance of any money due for additional selection must be paid upon receipt of your confirmation. Any fully registered participant who is accepted for a workshop and later cancels any part of the full registration will forfeit their place in the workshop.

**It is each participants responsibility to be aware of the regulations and requirements involved in transporting plant material to their own geographic area. There will be a shipper and USDA inspector available for one day of the convention, issuing charges and transportation certificates are additional fees and are not included in registration fees. GSBF and the Convention are not responsible for any plant material from Vendors.**

**REFUND POLICY:** Registration fees will be refunded up until October 1st, 2008. After October 1st, 50% of registration fees will be refunded. If a workshop reservation is cancelled before October 1st, 2008, and the place cannot be filled, only up to 50% of the deposit may be returned. If the reservation is cancelled after October 1st, and the place cannot be filled no refund will be made.