

BONSAI AS FINE ART

Blue Spiral 1 Gallery



The North Carolina Arboretum



JUNE 2 - 11, 2023

Bonsai comes indoors and heads downtown to Blue Spiral 1 for an extraordinary ten-day *Bonsai as Fine Art* exhibition, the first of its kind in Asheville. The show includes 20 works by professional bonsai artists and members of the Blue Ridge Bonsai Society, exhibited alongside contemporary paintings and other works from Blue Spiral 1 artists.

Special events and educational programs are planned during the run of *Bonsai as Fine Art* in both locations. A culminating weekend at the Arboretum invites visitors to enjoy the Bonsai Exhibition Garden, where fine art, landscape design, and horticultural skill come together to highlight the Arboretum's world-renowned bonsai collection.

BLUE SPIRAL 1

Friday, June 2 – Sunday, June 11

Bonsai as Fine Art Exhibition. Open Sunday – Tuesday, 11 am - 5 pm; Wednesday – Saturday, 11 am - 6 pm.

Exhibiting Bonsai Artists Bjorn Bjorholm, Daniel Coffey, John Geanangel, Arthur Joura, Brad Russell & members of the Blue Ridge Bonsai Society.

Educational Videos. Featuring Arthur Joura, bonsai curator of The North Carolina Arboretum, and Bjorn Bjorholm, professional bonsai artist and educator.

Special Events at Blue Spiral 1

Friday, June 2, 5 - 8 pm: Opening Reception for the "Bonsai as Fine Art" Exhibition. Open to the general public and invited guests.

Saturday, June 3, 2 pm: "Transforming Plant Material into Fine Art." Bonsai Styling Demonstration with Bjorn Bjorholm.

THE NORTH CAROLINA ARBORETUM

Saturday, June 10 – Sunday, June 11

Bonsai Exhibition Garden. Open daily, 9 am - 5 pm. With special tours led by the curator on both days.

All Events are located in the Education Center.
Open 9 am - 5 pm.

- **Bonsai Pottery Invitational Exhibition.** Featuring show and sale of works by accomplished Bonsai Potters.
- **Bonsai Exhibit.** Featuring work by members of the Blue Ridge Bonsai Society.
- **Educational Videos.**

Special Events at the Arboretum

Saturday, June 10, 11 am: Bonsai Styling Demonstration with internationally-recognized bonsai artist Bjorn Bjorholm.

Saturday, June 10, 3 - 5 pm: Major Auction: Live and Silent Auction of bonsai and bonsai-related items. Proceeds go to support the Bonsai Program at The North Carolina Arboretum.

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SUN - TUES 11 am - 5 pm , WED - SAT 11 am - 6 pm

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DAILY 8 am - 9 pm

(Standard gate fees apply for non-members.)

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