

PACIFIC BONSAI MUSEUM

FACT SHEET

BY THE NUMBERS

~50,000	Visitors annually
391,700	Views on the Museum's most engaging Facebook post
38,000	Current Instagram followers
150	Bonsai in Pacific Bonsai Museum's collection
50 to 60	Bonsai on public display at any given time
6	Countries in which bonsai species in our collection originated; the most geographically diverse public collection in the U.S.

HISTORY

Created by the Weyerhaeuser Company in 1989 to celebrate the Washington State Centennial and to honor its Pacific Rim trading partners. Became the nonprofit Pacific Bonsai Museum in 2013. Only museum solely dedicated to bonsai in the United States (not part of a botanical garden or arboretum).

PROGRAMS

- A Bonsai Solstice (Winter and Summer)
- Bonsai Basics Classes
- Bonsai Fest! On World Bonsai Day/Mother's Day weekend
- Docent led in-person and virtual group tours by reservation
- School Field Trip Program

2022-23 SPECIAL EXHIBITIONS

A Gallery of Trees, May 7, 2022–Nov 5, 2023

See the bonsai that started our collection and follow their journey through today. Thirty-nine trees on display, some in their 1989 positions nestled among the (now taller) trees surrounding our exhibition area. Visit old favorites or meet new friends.

DeGroot: A Retrospective, May 7–Sept 4, 2022

Little Champions: Bonsai from the Evergreen State, Amazon's Seattle Spheres, Aug 30–Oct 7, 2022

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PREVIOUS SPECIAL EXHIBITIONS	<p><i>World War Bonsai: Remembrance & Resilience, 2020–21</i></p> <p><i>Folse: A Retrospective, 2021</i></p> <p><i>Living Art of Bonsai: Principles of Design, 2019</i></p> <p><i>Gnarly: The Dan Robinson Retrospective, 2019</i></p> <p>Amazon's Seattle Spheres, 2019</p> <p><i>Shapeshifters: The Alchemy of Bonsai and Design: Totokaelo, Seattle, WA, 2019</i></p> <p><i>Living Art of Bonsai: Elements of Design, 2018</i></p> <p><i>Natives, 2017</i></p> <p><i>Decked-Out, 2016</i></p> <p><i>Wireless, 2015</i></p> <p><i>Stone Images I through X, 2009–2021</i></p>
HOURS	<p>Tuesday through Sunday, 10am to 4pm.</p> <p>The Museum is <i>closed</i> every Monday as well as Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Eve, Christmas Day, and New Year's Day.</p>
ADMISSION	<p>By donation. There is a suggested donation of \$12 per adult.</p>
CONTACT	<p>Location of Museum: 2515 S. 336th St., Federal Way, WA 98001 253.353.7345, info@pacificbonsaimuseum.org</p>
HONOR STATEMENT	<p>We honor those who came before us from the world of bonsai, whose works we care for as living art, as well as the original caretakers of this land on which we stand today--the traditional home of the Coast Salish people, who are still here.</p>
ANTI-RACISM STATEMENT	<p>Since we first drafted this statement in 2020, we have committed to actively evaluating museum systems, structures, and practices so that we don't reinforce discriminatory outcomes in the future. Some of the recent steps we have taken include:</p>

- Committing to offering two dedicated spots in our ongoing Bonsai Basics classes reserved specifically for BIPOC, LGBTQIA+ and under-served community members;
- Participating in a 6 month-long partnership with a group of U.W. HCDE Master's students to develop an Equitable Community Engagement Toolkit and Card Deck for the Museum to put equity goals into practice;
- Committing to applying an equity lens to our 2023 planning meeting, where we will map out our future programs and activities;
- Preference and priority selection of vendors that are BIPOC-owned businesses; and
- Staff and Board members participated in a three-part, anti-biases training workshop.

Pacific Bonsai Museum is committed to inclusivity with our visitors, volunteers, members, and supporters. We know that awe, peace, love, and admiration of bonsai and nature are not finite. Rather, these feelings only grow stronger the more people are included. We welcome everyone to discover the art and beauty of bonsai.

We remain dedicated to our mission—to connect people to nature through the living art of bonsai—knowing that as an anti-racist organization, we have work to do, and we are committed to doing it.