

Agreement and Release from Liability for Convention Participants

1. I, _____, acknowledge that I voluntarily observe, or participate in bonsai seminars and workshops being held by the American Bonsai Society at the American Bonsai Society (ABS) convention held at the Houston Marriott Westchase, from April 11-14, 2019.
2. I am aware that working with bonsai tools and equipment and with bonsai carving tools in particular is a hazardous activity. I am voluntarily observing or participating 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 a consideration for being permitted to participate in these workshops, I hereby agree that I, my assignees, heirs, distributes, guardians, and legal representatives will not make claim against, sue or attach the property of the American Bonsai Society, the Lone Star Bonsai Federation, the Houston Bonsai Society, the workshop instructors or their assistants for injury or damages resulting from my observation of, or activities in, the workshop or from the actions of the other participants. I hereby release, and shall indemnify the American Bonsai Society, the Lone Star Bonsai Federation, the Houston Bonsai Society and the workshop instructors and their assistants from all actions, claims, or demands, that I, or my assignees, heirs, distributes, guardians, and legal representatives may have for any injury or damages resulting from my observation of or participation in, these workshops.
4. We strive to provide as part of our workshop only well grown and healthy pre-bonsai nursery stock and material. Neither the American Bonsai Society, the Lone Star Bonsai Federation, nor the Houston Bonsai Society can control conditions after the trees leave the care of the workshop setting. Therefore, the release and indemnity provided in paragraph 3, above, shall further apply to the pre-bonsai nursery stock and other workshop material.
5. 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, the American Bonsai Society, the Lone Star Bonsai Federation and the Houston Bonsai Society and sign this agreement of my own free will.

Printed Name

Signature

Date

ALL CONVENTION PARTICIPANTS MUST COMPLETE THIS FORM