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A Few Notes to Those Club Members who have signed up
to be hosts and those who are bringing trees.

Like realators who stage a house they want to sell, a good
bonsai show is not only concerned with the appearance of
the trees but also PRESENTATION. Larger, small trees
6 in and over should be on a stand. Material under 6 in.
can be called companion plants and presented on a small
stand or a mat - i.e. 3" companion could fit on a coaster or
woven mat; sometimes if you have a very large stand and
the plant complements a tree that requires only one end
of a stand a very small plant can go on the other end
(even nicer if you have a small coaster for it) as long
as there are a few wicks around each.

Stands can be varied from thick "place mats",
slabs of wood or fine furniture - whatever you have
that looks clean and somewhat subdued or whatever
you borrow (usually from other Club members).

For borrowers: Stands are expensive and hard to find.

Treat them like fine furniture. Never slide the tree.
Pick it up. Do not over water the tree while on a stand
and let it drain on the wood. If any water gets on it
as when lightly spraying moss, mop it up with oily
rag quickly. Lenders will love you if you cut tiny
pieces of felt (glue to bottom of feet) under the feet of your
pot. Feet are usually rough and scratch stands.

Lenders: Clean and oil stands. Wax the top and check

if the stand is sturdy. glue dries fast. esp. cascade stands

