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**NZBA Emerging Talent Entry Form**

**Submitted by:**

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**Contact tel. no: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Bonsai club: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Signature of Club President: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

In submitting this entry, I agree that I have read and agree to abide by all rules of the competition (overleaf and on the NZBA website). I accept that the decision of the judges is final.

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

Submit entry to NZBA Competitions Organiser at nzbashow@gmail.com by

**Saturday 20 April 2024**

**Eligibility requirements**

Any person who lives in New Zealand is eligible. Entrants must be a current financial member of a club registered with NZBA or an individual member of NZBA.

THEY MUST NOT:

1. Be on the New Zealand National Demonstrators Register

2. Have previously been a demonstrator at a National Convention.

3. Have previously been a winner of the Emerging Talent Contest.

Each contestant selected for the competition will:

1. Attend and pay their own travel and expenses to the National NZ Convention.

2. Be given a three (3) hour time period in which to style the material.

The contestants may choose to have refreshments etc. within this time at their own accord. The competitors will not be expected to remove the tree from its container or to re-pot it on the day. The bonsai produced must be horticulturally sound and have a good chance of survival.

3. Furnish their own personal tools including a turntable (if desired). Power tools are acceptable.

4. Trees and wire will be provided by the host club.

5. The competitors will draw lots to determine which tree they will receive.

6. The competitors may be asked to give a brief description of the work they have completed and their thoughts on the chosen style.

The competition will be open for public viewing immediately following the allocation of trees. No aid will be given to the competitors by any person. Any coaching of competitors, seen or heard, renders that competitor liable to be disqualified. The competition will remain open to public viewing for the duration of the time trees are being worked on. Following the competition, the trees will be judged and then publicly displayed.

Judging will take place with only the judges present. The judging panel will consist of 3 Judges; a major demonstrator at the Convention, and two designated by the NZBA Committee from the NZ Demonstrators Register.

The recipient of the trophy is responsible for engraving their name and date on the plaque and for delivering the trophy to the next convention for the Awards Ceremony.