

SABA BONSAI COMPETITION VOTING RULES

1. SABA President will receive the photo entries for both the Exotic and indigenous trees.
2. SABA President will number the photos received and forward the photos to the voting committee.
3. The voting committee will consist of the following members: the SABA EXCO members, the 6 regional Presidents/Chairpersons and a Website vote.
4. Each member of the voting committee will choose a winner (1), a runner up (2) and a third place (3) for both the indigenous and exotic entries.
5. No two trees can be placed first, second or third place by the same committee member. Each position can only have one nomination.
6. On the final score sheet, the vote for first place will receive five points, second place will receive three points and third place will receive one point.
7. When all the votes have been added up and there is a draw for first place, the final vote will be with the SABA President.
8. The closing date for the monthly competition will be the last day of the month at 24h00.
9. The entries will be forwarded to the voting committee within 5 days after the closing date.
10. The voting will close on the 10th of each month.
11. The winners will be announced on 15th of each month.
12. SABA president will notify the monthly winners that they have won.
13. The monthly winners will receive a certificate each.
14. The winners of the monthly competition will go through to the draw for the yearly winner.
15. The winner of the yearly competition will be announced at the SABA convention which is held each year.
16. The winner of the yearly competition will receive a voucher for R1500.
17. By entering your tree in the competition, you give permission to SABA to use the photo eg. for use in the calendar, website gallery or otherwise.
18. The voting committee will take all bonsai aspects in account when voting. (Styling, pot.....)
19. If a member on the voting committee enters a tree in the competition, he or she will abstain from the vote.
20. If an EXCO member is also the President/Chairperson of the region, he or she can nominate somebody else from the region to stand in.