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**IN TIME FOR FATHER'S DAY- "LANDSCAPES IN MINIATURE"  
 Unique *Penjing* (Bonsai) Exhibit, Plus Rare Collection of Mud Men**

"Landscapes in Miniature" Exhibit	June 18 - June 24, 10:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.
<i>Penjing</i> demonstration & pruning	June 19 & 20 at 11:00 a.m.
Make Dad a Father's Day card	June 19 & 20 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
Tour the Garden's <i>penjing</i> collection	June 19 & 20 at 1:00 p.m.
Play mahjong with Dad	June 19 11:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
Enjoy storytime, " <i>The Stone &amp; the Poet</i> "	June 19 at 1:00 p.m.
Learn from Int'l Master Walter Liew	June 24 at 3:00 p.m.

Activities free with Garden admission. Go to [www.lansugarden.org](http://www.lansugarden.org) for details

Say the word *bonsai* and most people imagine tiny, clipped trees associated with Japan and lovers of pruning rules. However, the Chinese were translating large landscapes into miniature pots for centuries before others. *Penjing* is the ancient Chinese art of translating the world landscape into the miniscule and has been traced back to 221 BCE. The landscapes often feature rocks, moss and miniature clay figures called mud men.

This unique exhibit features more than 30 exquisite *penjing* from local masters and rare mud men from a private collection. It appears in time for Father's Day weekend when men can indulge their penchant for extreme pruning. Families can make Dad a *penjing* Father's Day card, learn from a *penjing* master as he prunes, peruse Lan Su Garden's *penjing* collection and purchase a personal *penjing* to take home and shape for life.

Walter Liew, the most knowledgeable English-speaking *penjing* master, demonstrates at 3:00 p.m. on Thursday June 24<sup>th</sup>. Liew was born in China and now lives in Hawaii. In the *bonsai/penjing* world he is internationally recognized for his artistry and large *penjing* collection at the Hawaii Bonsai Culture Center, Oahu.

*Garden admission: \$8.50 General, \$7.50 Senior, \$6.50 Student, \$25 Family Pass, Free for children under 5. Garden location: 239 NW Everett Street, Portland 97209. Access: Walk from downtown. Close to all MAX lines & bus mall. Plenty of on-street parking. Amenities: Authentic Teahouse (no reservations) & Garden Shop*

