

# Clay Notes

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Clay Notes, the monthly *Triangle Potters Guild* newsletter, and the TPG membership form are now available at [www.trianglepotters.org](http://www.trianglepotters.org). To get your news and announcements in the newsletter, send to: [trianglepottersguild@yahoo.com](mailto:trianglepottersguild@yahoo.com) or mail to:

## Triangle Potters Guild

Attn: Corresponding Secretary  
P.O. Box 10161.  
Raleigh, NC 27605  
by the 15th of each month.

## Our monthly meetings

are held on the first Tuesday of each month (no meetings June, July and August) at 7:30 pm. We will be meeting at the NCSU Craft Center, 516 Brickhaven Drive, Raleigh, NC.

Visitors are welcome!

## TPG BOARD

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## NEXT TPG MEETING

**Date:** Tuesday, September 2<sup>nd</sup>  
**Location:** NCSU Craft Center,  
516 Brickhaven Drive at 7:30pm.

## TPG MEETING AGENDA

**I. Welcome** returning members,  
new members, and visitors.

### II. Committees

#### Finance Committee

Chair: Carol Clark, Treasurer  
Members: Christina Sydor,  
Edge Barnes, Jo Ellen  
Westmoreland, Alice DeLisle  
“... fund raising, budgeting and  
auditing the books of the  
treasury.”

2008 Budget and  
recommendations.

#### Nominating Committee

\*3 TPG members, 2 of whom are  
not officers

Appointed by President

### III. Upcoming Events

ClayFest

Sept. 13, 2008, 9 am – 4 pm

*Susan Luster*

Artsposure

May 16-17, 2009

*Martin Stankus*

Workshop?

others?

### IV. Activities - updates

Urban Ministries Tile Installation

*Mary Ann Purser*

Urban Ministries Bowls for Stone  
Soup

*Donna Kanich*

The Dead Sea Scrolls

workshops

*Jay Levine*

### V. Other items

Archives – details of activities

recorded for future reference  
TPG brick at the Crafts Center –  
\$150 – Sept. 30, 2008  
deadline

Meeting refreshments - \*need 2  
people

**VI. Promptly at 8 pm: The  
Main Event:**

## GILLIAN PARKE

Our guest presenter for the September 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting will be Gillian Parke. Gillian was recognized as one of this year's emerging artists by Ceramics Monthly magazine in their May 2008 issue. Her current work combines elements of manufactured porcelain and Japanese Shigaraki stoneware pottery. She is interested in the conflict created by kitsch images placed on hand made objects. In her porcelain vessels Gillian has begun to incorporate open stock decals and metallic lusters, materials often overlooked by modern studio potters. She is also currently adding feldspar inclusions to porcelain and finds the resulting crusty surface a beautiful contrast to the voluptuous glazed vessels. The final effects are pearl-like eruptions covering the surface of the vessels. The texture is further enhanced by underglazes, overglazes, lusters, china paint or open stock decals. Multiple refirings are needed for each additional layer. Some pieces require up to five refirings in order to achieve the final effect. For images of Gillian's work, [http://www.carolinadesignercraftsmen.com/member\\_page.php?member\\_id=231](http://www.carolinadesignercraftsmen.com/member_page.php?member_id=231).



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## CLAYFEST



ClayFest, our own fall festival, is right around the corner. It will be held September 13, 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. at the Farmer's Market, Lake Wheeler Road, Raleigh. We will have a good amount of space, approx 5-6 farm stalls in the Farmers' Building (the open air building) in the area where the nurseries are now and where pumpkins will be later in the fall. We will divvy up the space among us when we see how many want to participate.

If you would like to sell your pots or volunteer to demo, lend a wheel, man the kiddie table, and/or compete in several silly, fun contests, please let Elise Stiles know ASAP: [Stilesel@aol.com](mailto:Stilesel@aol.com)

## URBAN MINISTRIES

On 9/2/08, green ware for the Urban Ministries tile project will be available. Anyone interested in participating in this awesome cause can pick up the tile then underglaze or carve it. If you have any questions, please contact MaryAnn Purser @ 919-850-1338.

Also, please bring bowls for the Urban Ministries Stone Soup Supper. TPG has committed to 300 bowls so we are asking people to donate 5 bowls. For each 5 bowls you bring you will receive a chance to win a \$100 gift certificate from Highwater Clay. Donna Kanich is "begging and pleading for bowls".

## CLASSES

### RALEIGH SCULPTURE

**GROUP** offers adults, beginners and experienced artists, a unique opportunity to explore their artistic abilities and expand

their art experiences through sculpture. New sculpture sessions start September 8, 10, & 11, 2008. Instruction will be provided on sculpting a clay portrait bust (just the head) in Monday night sessions starting September 8. To advance skills in rendering human anatomy, nude models will be used for the figurative sculpture sessions scheduled for Wednesday and Thursday nights starting September 10 & 11. For additional information or to reserve a space for these sessions visit [www.litmusgallery.com](http://www.litmusgallery.com) or email [artvision@bellsouth.net](mailto:artvision@bellsouth.net).

### Pullen and Sertoma Arts Centers

Brochure for classes at Pullen and Sertoma:  
[http://www.raleighnc.gov/portal/server.pt/gateway/PTARGS\\_0\\_2\\_112502\\_0\\_0\\_18/Leisure\\_Ledger.pdf](http://www.raleighnc.gov/portal/server.pt/gateway/PTARGS_0_2_112502_0_0_18/Leisure_Ledger.pdf)

## WORKSHOPS

### Discovering Colored Clay and Murrinis

Instructor Chris Campbell  
For any who are interested in learning more about using Mason Stains in clays and slips  
November 7 - 9th, 2008  
The Sawtooth School for Visual Art  
226 N. Marshall Street, Suite D  
Winston-Salem, NC 27101  
Phone: 336-723-7395  
Fax: 336-773-0132  
<http://www.sawtooth.org>

During this hands-on workshop you will learn how to make colored clay and create a wide palette of secondary colors and color fades.

You will create three basic patterned loaves of colored clay that can be used to create brightly patterned pieces of pottery work. Familiarity with clay will enhance your learning experience.

To preview what will be covered in this workshop, visit the 'In the Studio' and 'Workshop' sections

of Chris's website:  
[www.ccpottery.com](http://www.ccpottery.com).

Location: Sawtooth Annex at The Children's Home  
member fee: \$160  
non-member fee: \$185  
add materials fee: \$50  
(includes ten pounds of colored clay plus twenty-five pounds of cone 5 porcelain)  
Friday, 6:00 - 9:00 pm,  
Saturday, 9:00 am - 5:00 pm  
Sunday, 9:00 am - 5:00 pm

### Cynthia Bringle Workshop

Cynthia Bringle will be conducting a workshop at the beautiful mountain retreat, wild acres, near spruce pine, NC. the workshop will be Sept 22-26 and includes accommodations and 11 meals. the cost is \$550 and you should contact Cynthia at 828 765-0240 or [cynthiabringe@yahoo.com](mailto:cynthiabringe@yahoo.com) for information and to register. You can also check out [cynthiabringe pottery.com](http://cynthiabringe pottery.com). Cynthia is a world renowned potter and educator, don't miss this opportunity to study with a master in a beautiful location.

## TEACHING OPPORTUNITY

Residential community in Cary , NC is seeking clay instructors to offer hand-building and wheel classes. Beautiful facility and pottery studio consists of two state-of-the-art Thomas Stewart electric wheels, lots of shelving, new tables, two with canvas tops. Skutt kiln is top loaded with counter balance lid (easy to lift). Ideal for workshops, continuing classes per week and small projects focus. Building interest in community for claywork. If interested in exploring teaching some classes or more information, please e-mail Dan Price: [Dan\\_price@bellsouth.net](mailto:Dan_price@bellsouth.net) detailing what you create with clay and what kind of classes you would be interested in presenting to the residents.

## FEATURED ARTISTS

**Alice DeLisle** has her first ever "Featured Artist" exhibit at New Elements Gallery in Wilmington. She is exhibiting teapots, and is the only 3D artist featured.

August 22 - September 20  
FRESH PERSPECTIVES  
Bruce Bowman, Alice DeLisle &  
Donald Furst

**Angelia Hayes** is participating in the Under The Oaks show on September 13th on Wait Ave (Hwy 98) in Wake Forest. The show is from 9:00am to 5:00pm. She is also participating in the Wake Forest Area Artists Studio Tour on September 14th from 1:00 - 5:00pm, September 20th 10:00- 5:00pm and September 21st from 1:00 - 5:00pm at her studio located at 10 Silo Glen Lane in Wake Forest. There are 39 artists participating in the tour and more information can be found at <http://artistsstudiotour.homestead.com/> for anyone interested in visiting artists on the tour and seeing what they are working on.

## EVENTS

**Highwater Clays Annual Open House** September 19 & 20.  
[http://www.highwaterclays.com/index.cfm?fuseaction=category.display&category\\_ID=366](http://www.highwaterclays.com/index.cfm?fuseaction=category.display&category_ID=366)

## FESTIVALS

**Dania Beach Art and Antique Festival 2009**

**WHO:** City of Dania Beach , Florida,

**WHAT:** Over 100 Artists and Antique Vendors participate in an indoor/outdoor fair atmosphere

**WHEN:** January 30 – February 1

**Contact Clare Vickery at 954.921.1231**

## OTHER NEWS

**Coastal Carolina Artists & Crafters (CCAC) Guild** has contacted the guild requesting our guilds send info or exchange ideas.  
<http://www.ccacguild.blogspot.com/>

## LINKS

**The Crafts Center**

[www.ncsu.edu/crafts](http://www.ncsu.edu/crafts)

(919) 515-2457

**Sertoma Arts Center**

[www.raleighnc.gov](http://www.raleighnc.gov)

(919) 420-2329

**Pullen Arts Center**

[www.raleighnc.gov](http://www.raleighnc.gov)

(919) 831-6126

**Claymakers**

[www.claymakers.com](http://www.claymakers.com)

(919) 530-8355

**Durham Arts Council**

[www.durhamarts.org](http://www.durhamarts.org)

(919) 560-2726

**Jordan Hall Arts Center**

[www.townofcary.org](http://www.townofcary.org)

(919) 469-4069

**Central Carolina Community College (CCCC)**

[www.cccc.edu](http://www.cccc.edu)

**Finch Pottery**

[www.danfinch.com](http://www.danfinch.com)

(252) 235-4664

(919) 742-4156

**Litmus Gallery**

[www.litmusgallery.com](http://www.litmusgallery.com)

(919) 571-3605



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