

Clay Notes

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Triangle Potters Guild

Attn: Corresponding Secretary
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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!

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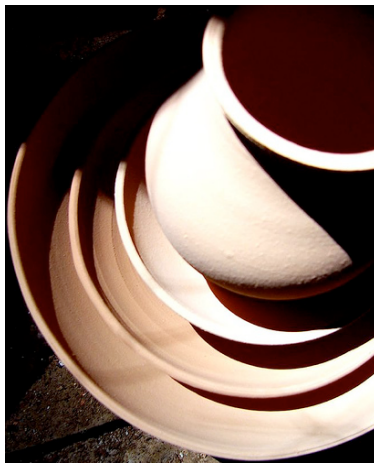
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TPG MEETING MINUTES

From January 8, 2008 at:



- Our meeting was held at the new Urban Ministries site located on Capital Blvd.
- President Gail Lawson has broken her foot and was not able to attend. Meeting was conducted by Vice President Mary Ann Purser
- Anne Burke, Director of Urban Ministries, spoke to the guild and thanked us for our donated bowls for the soup supper fundraiser. Our bowls earned the organization over \$10,000. The guild will be doing an installation at the new Urban Ministries' building over the next year. More information will follow.
- The guild will be sponsoring a mask workshop by Catherine Thornton on Feb. 16 from 10-6 at the Lithmus Gallery in Raleigh. Cost is \$25 for members and the guild will provide lunch. Please give your check to Carol Clark tonight or mail it to her asap. Space for the workshop is limited to 12 people. Catherine is willing to hold a repeat workshop if needed.
- Carol Clark reported that we currently have 74 members.
- We will need to form a Nominating Committee for officers for next fall. A sign-up sheet will be passed around at the February meeting.
- Martin Stankus reported that the guild has been invited to participate in the Museum of Natural Science

Earth Day celebration on April 19th. It will be an opportunity to demo and sell pots. Members showed interest by a show of hands and Martin will contact the museum for more information.

- We do not have a volunteer to chair the Sanford Show. Please email Cheryl Weisz if you are interested in participating.
- Instead of a speaker, we had a pot luck and gift exchange the rest of the evening.

Charlene Poisel
Recording Secretary

NEXT TPG MEETING

February 12th, 2008 7:30 pm

Meeting Location: 516

Brickhaven Drive, Raleigh, NC

John Garland of Freechild Studio, in Knightdale, North Carolina has been an N.C. potter for over 25 years. John studied pottery in N.C. at Penland School of Art, Arrowmont School of Craft and Montgomery Tech. He worked as a production potter at several N.C. potteries and eventually established his own studio. John and his wife Mary Paul currently operate Freechild Studio where they produce two lines of pottery including reduction fired stoneware and low fired earthenware. In addition to selling pottery at several N.C. galleries and shops, John and Mary show and sell their work at shows around N.C. including the Catawba Valley Pottery Festival, Sanford Pottery Festival, Art in the Park in Blowing Rock and Carolina Designer Craftsmen in Raleigh. A complete listing of shows and galleries will be available at www.freechildstudio.com later in the year. John's February TPG demonstration will feature two methods of applying underglazes to earthenware pottery. John has developed and worked in his unique style of brightly colored intricate surface design for over ten years and he has been recognized for his creative designs with awards from several N.C. organizations.

TIP O' THE MONTH

You are invited to share a helpful hint, trick o' the trade, something you have discovered to make your pottery easier to create at the next meeting. Bring your "gee-whoppie" (invented tool or process) for a quick show and tell.

SALES OPPORTUNITIES

SURVEY OF INTEREST...

Sanford Pottery Festival

Saturday May 5, 9am-5pm

Sunday May 6, 9am-4pm

This event is an opportunity to show and sell your pottery in one of the Southeast's largest pottery festivals and it takes place the weekend before Mother's Day in Sanford, NC. If you wish to participate in the TPG show and sale tent, please email cweisz@nc.rr.com with your interest by 1/30/08. Please also indicate if you would be interested in chairing this event. Everyone works together to make it happen so the burden is light. The previous co-chairs will be able to give information that will make it easy. TPG has participated since the Sanford Pottery Festival's inception five years ago. It would be nice to carry on the tradition.

Stay tuned for upcoming information on: Artsposure.

MEMBER NEWS

Regional Artists Project Grant from the United Arts Council of Raleigh and Wake County was awarded to Alice DeLisle and another award grant also went to Walter Shearin. Follow the link below for the finer details: http://www.unitedarts.org/news/pr/pr-2008-01-07_1.shtml
CONGRATULATIONS!!!!!!

SHOWS

Happy New Year!

Just wanted to invite you to check out the latest potteryali show! My wall tiles and mirrors are currently hanging at Moonlight Pizza. The show, "Once Upon a Texture", will be up until the end of February.

Reception which will be on Saturday, February 2nd from 5-10:00 pm. But feel free to stop in anytime to take a look and have some good food and drink.

Moonlight Pizza

615 W Morgan St
Raleigh, NC 27603-1829
919-755-9133

Restaurant Hours:

Tuesday-Thursday 11:30am-10pm

Friday 11:30am-11pm

Saturday 5pm-11pm

Sunday 5pm-9:30pm

FRIENDLY REMINDER

TPG Fall Pottery Festival Planning Committee will meet on Saturday, Jan. 19th at Susan Luster's house (1237 Gatehouse Drive, Cary) starting at 9AM. Bring your ideas!

WORKSHOPS

Saturday, February 16, 2008

Catherine Thornton Mask Workshop. 12 openings. If there is greater interest Catherine has agreed to host another workshop to accommodate all members of the Guild. 10am to 6pm at Litmus Gallery in Raleigh. Lunch provided by TPG. Workshop Fee: \$25
Contact TPG Treasurer Carol Clark at cdebclark@msn.com

GALLERY SALES OPPORTUNITY

Cary Gallery of Artists Taking Applications

The gallery is a co-op of 20+ local artists from the Triangle area who show and sell their work in this downtown Cary gallery. As a co-op, all artists also work in the gallery and help manage it. They are currently taking applications for artists who work in clay and other 3D media. Contact: Susan Luster at susisolar@aol.com or go by the gallery in Ashworth Village, corner Chatham and Academy, downtown Cary (462-2035).

FOR SALE

Amaco Excel EX270 Kiln, 15 years old but in remarkable shape, all new heavy duty elements in Sept., a lot

of new wiring, kiln sitter with new tube assembly ready for installing, no computer, probably some kiln shelves too. Elements cost \$390 so kiln is \$575. Cindy Aldrich 544-2451
cindyaldrich@gmail.com

Olympic kiln, 3 phase, electronic, needs some TLC, not in working order at present. 4 elements come with it. Needs 2 more. \$450.
2 plate hangers - \$5 each, 3 cork bulletin boards 35"x23" - \$5 each, 1 black chalk board 35"x23"- \$10, 7 folding chairs - \$10 each, many functional items in bisqueware (plates, bowls, canisters, etc / low-fire to cone 06) - 1/2 price varies, 200 rubber stoppers, various sizes and colors - \$10, 100 count 1/2" to 1-1/4" ceramic bisque knobs- \$25 whole lot, 7 lamp parts and assembly directions (rods and finials) \$10 each or best offer. If interested contact Brenda Lo-Griffin, Amazing Glaze Ceramic Lounge
www.amazingglaze.com

LINKS

The Crafts Center

www.ncsu.edu/crafts
(919) 515-2457

Sertoma Arts Center

(919) 420-2329

Pullen Arts Center

(919) 831-6126

Claymakers

www.claymakers.com
(919) 530-8355

Duke Craft Center

www.duke.edu/web/duu/craftcenter.htm
(919) 684-2532

Durham Arts Council

www.durhamarts.org
(919) 560-2726

Jordan Hall Arts Center

www.townofcary.org
(919) 469-4069

Central Carolina Community College (CCCC)

www.cccc.edu

Finch Pottery

www.danfinch.com
(252) 235-4664

(919) 742-4156

Litmus Gallery

www.litmusgallery.com
(919) 571-3605