

# Clay Notes

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

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**Triangle Potters Guild**

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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!

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## TPG MEETING MINUTES

From February 12, 2008

- Carol Clark reported that there is one space left in our Catherine Thornton workshop this weekend at the Litmus Gallery. Please see her if you are interested. Carol also reported that the membership list is now online.
- A key was left at our January meeting at Urban Ministries. See Donna Kanich if you think it might be yours.
- Gail Lawson reported that she will be appointing a nominating committee for our up-coming elections in May. Offices that are up for re-election are; President, Vice-President, Recording Secretary, and Librarian. According to our by-laws we need three members for this committee. Please see her if you are interested.
- Mary Ann Purser reported that the guild has been given a wall at the Urban Ministries new building for a public installation. This community project is in the planning stages and a committee has been formed and hopes to meet next week. If you are interested in being on the committee please contact Mary Ann.
- The committee for the TPG Annual Show has met and decided on a date and place for the fall show. It will be held Saturday, Sept. 13 at the NC State Farmers Market from 9-4. We are encouraging everyone to participate and help with demos, games, etc. Susan Luster is the

committee chair and more information will follow.

- Six people have signed up for the Sanford Pottery Show, and Johanna New and Al Headon will co-chair. A sign-up sheet was passed around to see if anyone else was interested.
- Our guest speaker for the evening was John Garland.

Charlene Poisel  
Recording Secretary

## NEXT TPG MEETING

March 4<sup>th</sup>, 2008 7:30 pm

Meeting Location: 516

Brickhaven Drive, Raleigh, NC

Guest Artist: Holly Fischer.

Holly Fischer has been cultivating her voice as a contemporary figurative sculptor for more than a decade. An award-winning artist, she received a BA in Studio Art from Meredith College and an MFA in Ceramics from the University of Texas at Austin. She has taught at the Savannah College of Art and Design and the School of the Museum of Fine Arts in Boston. Visit [www.hollyfischer.com](http://www.hollyfischer.com) for more information and images of her work. Sculptors throughout history, including Michelangelo and Rodin, created maquettes, or small models, prior to beginning construction of large projects. Holly Fischer will demonstrate her process of creating a three-dimensional clay maquette and enlarging it, using a ratio, to a full-scale sculpture through coil construction. This process allows Holly to explore multiple ideas and compositions on a small scale without the constraints of engineering challenges. When she is committed to building a form at full-scale this technique enables her to maintain the proportions of her original model.

## MEMBERSHIP

A copy of the membership list is available via email (Must have Excel). If you wish an electronic copy, email Carol Clark @ [cdebclark@msn.com](mailto:cdebclark@msn.com)

## CORRECTIONS

Alice Delisle's email address is [wanderland@att.net](mailto:wanderland@att.net).

Please check your information on the membership list for accuracy. If you find an error, please email correction to Carol Clark @ [cdebclark@msn.com](mailto:cdebclark@msn.com) to update.

## SALES OPPORTUNITIES

Local Pest Exterminating Company seeks 10 hand-built clay business card holders with centipede, cockroach and ladybug relief. To be placed in public areas crediting the potter. Style: cartoon bugs (non-realistic). Budget: \$100. More info from Cheryl at [cweisz@nc.rr.com](mailto:cweisz@nc.rr.com).

## MEMBER NEWS

Theresa A. Glisson

NEW WEB SITE

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

Hi everyone, I just had to send you my new web site for you to see. Jason has finally finished it.

## WELCOME NEW and RETURNING MEMBERS

- Betty Owen, 1126 Woodridge Trail, Sanford, N.C. 27332  
[info@owenclayworks.com](mailto:info@owenclayworks.com) and [www.owenclayworks.com](http://www.owenclayworks.com)
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## SHOWS AND SALES

"Compass: Handmade Books, Prints, and Pottery" by Kathy Steinsberger. March 7 - April 4. Opening Reception, Fri. March 7th, 7:00 pm. Gallery Shibui, 2032 Cameron St., Raleigh, NC.

## ANSWERS PLEASE

The Doo Woo tool prices seem to be all over the place when I check through various websites. Would anyone happen to know of a resource that carries these tools at the lowest price possible? Additionally, I am attempting to find the best price for a bat system that is round yet it has the two holes for the 10-inch pins but in the center of a round bat that sits square bats, for lack of a better word, that one can remove from the bat (round one) by lifting it out of place with the project still intact and the circular bat ready for the next square bat to fill the former one's place. I cannot recall the exact number but it is either 6 or 12 square bats that come with one round bat to hold these square ones. The cheapest I find for these are about \$50. Anyone know a lesser expensive price? And, what is the best way to keep clay on a smooth surface bat? How do you seal it onto the bat for throwing so it doesn't fly off? I'm also thinking of having a friend make me some wooden tools. Has anyone had experience with this and how much did you pay for them? Please contact: Samantha at: "Paisley Place" [paise@earthlink.net](mailto:paise@earthlink.net)

## VIDEOS for RENT

Check this out! Great site from the American Ceramic Society, Design Chapter - Southern California Section.  
[www.acs-dc.org/video-library](http://www.acs-dc.org/video-library)

## CLASSES

**Raleigh Sculpture Group** offers adults, beginners and experienced artists, a unique opportunity to explore their artist abilities and expand their art experiences

through sculpture. New figurative and portrait sculpture sessions start March 26, 27, & 31. Information / sign-up: [www.litmusgallery.com](http://www.litmusgallery.com) / [artvision@bellsouth.net](mailto:artvision@bellsouth.net) / 919-571-3605

## FOR SALE

### CLAY BOSS POTTERY WHEEL

I am moving to California and looking for a good home for my trusty Clay Boss pottery wheel. I originally purchased it in 2002 for \$565 direct from the manufacturer. I used it moderately off and on for the last six years. I'm asking 350\$ for the wheel, including splash guard and a few bats. I've been very satisfied with its performance. It is in excellent condition and still runs like it did when I first bought it!

Features include:

- 1/2 HP industrial motor
- Sturdy steel frame
- 1/2" thick polyethylene tabletop. (Table Size: 26" x 21")
- Large 14" diameter wheel head
- Reversing plug allows quick change of wheel head direction
- Sophisticated load-sensing control - maintains wheel head speed under varying loads
- Adjustable height feet
- Centers up to 100 lbs of clay
- Wheel Head Height 19.5"
- Plastic splash guard

Contact Erin Hupp Cell: 919-593-2697

Email: [erineliz@unc.edu](mailto:erineliz@unc.edu)

### LAST CHANCE KILN!

My new kiln has arrived and I need to get the old one OUT! Make an offer - nothing is too ridiculous! Same details - Excel electric, new kiln sitter, new heavy duty elements, 7 cu. ft., new wiring, timer, some old shelves, no computer.

BEST OFFER!

Cindy Aldrich

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## LINKS

### **The Crafts Center**

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

(919) 515-2457

### **Sertoma Arts Center**

(919) 420-2329

### **Pullen Arts Center**

(919) 831-6126

### **Claymakers**

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

(919) 530-8355

### **Duke Craft Center**

[www.duke.edu/web/duu/craftcenter.htm](http://www.duke.edu/web/duu/craftcenter.htm)

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(919) 684-2532

### **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)

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