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Newsletter

Tri –City potters

MARCH 2018



It was very exciting to see daffodils blooming in Vancouver on Sunday. Happy Spring

Next meeting March 14, 2018

Meetings are usually held on the third Wednesday of each month. Due to Spring break we are meeting one week earlier at the

**PORT MOODY ART CENTRE
At 7pm sharp**

WE ARE ON FACEBOOK

Check out our website at www.tricitypotters.ca

IMPORTANT INFORMATION BEFORE THE MARCH 14 MEETING

SODA FIRING

The cost of participation is \$96 and is due at the next meeting.

Christine will be prepared to accept your cheque and give out receipts. This will secure your spot.

These are the dates for the Soda Firing over 4 days:

April 4: Glazing Day from 1:30-5:30

April 5: Loading Day from 10:00-1:00 (we just need a couple of people for this)

April 6: Firing Day from 2:00-6:00

April 10: Unloading Day from 3:00-6:00 (also clean-up)

*If you are unable to participate on these dates, or have changed your mind, please let Kay know at the next meeting and someone on the wait-list will be given your spot.

SELLING AND SHARING CERAMIC MATERIALS

There is also a form attached to the newsletter reminding members to list any ceramic supplies that they will want to sell to other members.

Please fill these out as much as possible and bring them to the meeting, and there may be time to share this information at the meeting

The day and method of the sale will be discussed and decided upon at our meeting.

NEXT MEETING

Wednesday March 14 at 7pm

Malory was expected to be our guest last month, but that meeting was unfortunately cancelled due to snow. We are very fortunate that she is prepared for this month

Our invited guest for the evening will be Malory Tate. Malory is presently the ceramic artist in residence at the Port Moody Art Centre.

Currently residing in Vancouver, Malory Tate was born and raised in Kamloops, a small city in the interior of British Columbia. Tate has received her Bachelor of Fine Arts degree, with a major in Ceramics and a minor in Art History from NSCAD University in the beautiful city of Halifax, Nova Scotia.



DISCUSSION GROUP

Mark your calendars

The next meeting date will be **April 11 from 1pm to 3pm** at the Gallery Bistro in down town Port Moody. It is a warm and inviting place to meet and chat for lunch or just a cup of coffee or tea.

Our tentative dates are April 11, and May 2

If you wish, come with a clay related issue/idea you would like to talk to others about. Or just come to socialize with others who are interested in clay and ceramics.

Also, if you wish, bring a photo or drawing of a mug or cup, (4" x 6") and I will bring the album to keep them in. This might be a jumping off place for a discussion.

I will also make an effort to get reminders out on time.

BRIGITTA IS AMAZING.

She is doing MORE volunteer work on top of everything else she does and could use a bit of help from fellow potters. I received this letter from her, and want to do what I can to help. I think you will want to contribute too.

I strongly encourage you to bring in some clay, underglazes or glazes to the next meeting, or contact Brigitta directly at bschneiter@shaw.ca

Pottery with Shelter Guests

Last month I did a pottery class at the Gateway of Hope, the transition housing and homeless shelter in Langley.

I had eight people in the class, eight happy faces, eager hands, lots of laughs and funky conversations.

I showed them how to make a large hand built mug, but some decided right away that a plate would be more to their liking. And all succeeded. A week later we

immersed ourselves into glazing, a bit messy with lots of too thick glaze applications, but again, it all turned out amazing.

And I hear that all participants, and many that heard about it, keep asking when the next class is.

However, Gateway of Hope does not have any money to support this very much appreciated, worthwhile and enriching experience. I do volunteer my time and have so far supplied all clay and glazes. But while I'll keep volunteering my time, I do need help with the supplies.

I am asking for any donation of cone 6 clay. Brand doesn't matter. I'll also be happy to receive donations in underglazes for a cone 6 firing and regular cone 6 glazes.

A great THANK YOU for every little bit of clay and glaze, it does brighten someones day!

OPPORTUNITY TO SHOW YOUR WORK

Subject: RE: Blink of an Eye Show

From: Janice Cotter <GalleryMgr@pomoarts.ca>

The idea for the show is to celebrate Port Moody Arts Centre Society's 20th anniversary by featuring artists who have exhibited in the gallery between 1998 and now.

The other criteria is that the artist needs to include a memory or story about Port Moody Arts Centre (maximum 150 words.)

The link for information for this show was incorrect in the PREVIOUS newsletter. Here is the current link to the call for **In the Blink of an Eye**

<https://www.pomoarts.ca/gallery/info-for-artists/185-gallery/924-artist-call-in-the-blink-of-an-eye>

OPPORTUNITY TO SELL YOUR WORK LOCALLY

The **City of Coquitlam** asked me to share the link for artisan applications for the Kaleidoscope Festival this summer. They are particularly interested in having potters there this year.

The link for further information is <https://www.coquitlam.ca/parks-recreation-and-culture/arts-and-culture/special-events-calendar/kaleidoscope-arts-festival>

I hope you'll be able to share this with the Tri-City Potters

FROM THE GALLERY OF BC CERAMICS

Following a second extra-ordinary meeting of members of the BC Potters Guild, the proposal for revamping the space and business model at the Gallery of BC ceramics was voted on and turned down.

The Gallery of BC Ceramics closed its doors at the end of February and all work has been taken away by the artists.

Sufficient funds have been collected and will be put towards costs of closing the gallery. This will hopefully prevent bankruptcy of the guild.

Be sure to see

The current show at Leigh Square is by our member Ronald Boersen. Ronald had just completed 3 months as "Artist in Residence" at the Square, and has done some fine work.

You have missed the opening, but the show will continue this month.

Also check out our face book page where Myrta has posted a link to his interview with the local TV station. Congratulations Ronald.

Ronald Boersen | flow in transitions *between 3 worlds*

Exhibition Opening | Friday, March 3, 7-9pm, free

Michael Wright Art Gallery, Leigh Square Community Arts Village

2253 Leigh Square Place, Port Coquitlam



Some upcoming workshops to consider

LEARN WITH ELAINE BREWER-WHITE

Animal Magnetism Mar 24 & 25:

Home Sweet Home Apr 28 & 29:

Flowers & Vases May 26 & 27:

One Fish, Two Fish Jun 23 & 24:

Garden Totems Includes: clay, firings, coffee, tea, lunch, & additional drop-in class to finish.

For all levels of experience! Limit 8 per class.

Call or text 778-882-0561

Classes held at the studio on Billy Brown Road, in Fort Langley

www.ElaineBrewerWhiteCeramics.com

ElaineBrewerWhite@gmail.com

from Suzy Birstein



Dear Art Lovers

Spring is in the air, and Rebirth is in my soul!

After 2 magnificent weeks in Cambodia, I am ready to work!

Winter workshops are winding down, and Spring Camps are about to begin!
In Kitsilano, my Clay Studio is filling with new sculptures.
My 1000 Parker St. studio has become the House of Collage.

All will be shown during **Parker Art Salon this May 26-28th**.
In addition to our individual exhibits, we will have a "Small Works" exhibit with
proceeds going to Anxiety BC & Silent Auction!

My studios - both at 1000 Parker St & Kitsilano are always available by appt:

778-877-7943 <http://www.suzybirstein.com>

"SPRING ART CAMP" register NOW!!

SESSION 1: MARCH 19 - 23

SESSION 2: MARCH 26- 30

TIMES: 9:30 - Noon

or

1:00- 3:30

All Day - 9:30 til 3:30

TRAVEL TO CHINA

West Virginia University 2018 Summer and Fall Semester China Ceramics Study Opportunity! (Scholarship opportunities are available!)
Dear Colleagues, Students, and Ceramic Enthusiasts,
Come to China and Study Ceramics with West Virginia University at the famous Jingdezhen Pottery Workshop!!!

Apply via this link! <https://wvucca.wufoo.com/forms/ceramics-in-china-unofficial-application/>

JOIN US AT MISSA 2018 (be sure to check out the website)

So many classes, good food, beautiful surroundings, like minded people
So much FUN

Bursaries available at MISSA APPLICATION DEADLINE: March 30, 2018 Visit www.missa.ca for details or contact: ed@missa.ca

Our course listings are now online at missa.ca. Current Friends of MISSA can register starting Monday. General registration begins the week of January 29. If you aren't a current Friend, feel free to [join us!](#)

This is a wonderful, artistic getaway for a weekend, a week or even two. No cooking, or shopping, just art and nature. There are clay classes available in each session and also drawing and painting opportunities to improve your artistic ability. Or try something new like storytelling, or zentangle.

We look forward to seeing you at MISSA 2018

DISCOVERY ART TRAVEL

MOROCCO 2018, April 9 – 30

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***That's all for this month folks
Happy Spring***