

Clay Notes

MARCH 2012

Clay Notes, the monthly Triangle Potters Guild newsletter, and the TPG membership form are available at www.trianglepotters.org

To get your announcements and news in the newsletter, send to: trianglepottersguild@yahoo.com 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 meet at the NCSU Craft Center, 100 Jensen Dr, Raleigh, NC.

Visitors are Welcome!

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NEXT TPG MEETING

Date: Tuesday, March 6, 2012
Location: NCSU Craft Center, Thompson Hall, NCSU, 100 Jensen Dr, Raleigh
Time: 7:30 pm

Parking is available in the parking deck directly across from The Crafts Center entrance. You may be ticketed or towed if you park on the street – this is student parking only.

MARCH PROGRAM

Charlie

Evergreen

(formerly Charles Dillingham)

By Jimmy Sodano



Charlie

Evergreen is an artist native to the Carolinas. He worked as a painter for many years and most recently as a sculptor and potter. He tries to regularly expand his artistic horizons, preferring experimentation over a single style. He feels the ceramic medium is vast and varied, and gives him a chance to be part of a tradition that spans the globe. "I was lucky to have some early formal arts education, but have found that self-education is infinitely more valuable, and I'll always be a student of experience."

Charlie has been awarded a few grants and sponsorships and has been happy to offer his time volunteering in an effort for further the arts. His work is showcased in many private



collections as well as in a few corporate collections. He continues to exhibit his work and most recently at Claymakers in downtown Durham.

Teaching is just a way to expand his horizons and this coming March, Charlie will be teaching a ceramics techniques class at Claymakers. His work is varied and includes graphic design, photo compositing, prototype sculpture, scale model building, and product photography.

Charlie Evergreen

(formerly Charles Dillingham)
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MEETING MINUTES

TPG February 2012

Business Meeting

Recorded by: Neal O'Briant

President Jo Ellen Westmoreland welcomed returning members, new members, and guests.

Minutes: Recording Secretary Neal O'Briant asked if anyone had changes to the minutes from January as posted in the newsletter. Minutes were approved.

Corresponding Secretary's Report:

Joanne Wood reported that the newsletter had gone out to all the members and requested that members send her items of interest for the next newsletter.

Treasurer's Report: Elise Stiles reported that there are 89 members. The guild's bank account balance is roughly \$6,800, which includes sale of the donated wheel and leftover T-shirts but not workshop expenses.

Webmaster's Report: Gail Lawson reported that she has added new members' names to website but still needs to cull former members from it. She encouraged new members to send her photos and bio info so that they could have a personal page on the website.

Artsposure: Jimmy Sodano reported that the dates for Artsposure are May 19-20. He will include information in the March newsletter about signing up. There will be 23 spaces. Members are encouraged to share spaces so that more can participate.

New Business and

announcements: Kinga Dessauer announced that she had found the maker of the metal tools used by Julie Fischer at December's meeting. He is no longer making them but still has some available. She will send the info to Joanne Wood to email to members. >Randy Reynolds said that Herman Clark is starting a pottery center near Goldsboro and is looking for equipment in case anyone had any for sale.

Jo Ellen reported that Julie Olson is holding a workshop on "Smoke, Fire and Fumes" with Charlie and Linda Riggs at her studio in Durham on April 28-29. More info is on Julie's website:

<http://www.whiteoakartworks.com>.

>Bragg Cox, president of the N.C. Pottery Collectors Guild, thanked the

Potters Guild for inviting their members to see Ben Owen III. He invited our members to join them at one of their meetings, which take place the first Friday of each month at the Crafts Center.

Planet Earth Day: Martin Stankus announced that the Museum of Natural Sciences' Planet Earth celebration would be April 21. There will be more info at the March meeting. Effie Watson volunteered to coordinate for the guild.

Vice President's Report and

Speaker: Jimmy Sodano apologized for mixing up the date of January's meeting and missing it. He has rescheduled Frank Neef for April. The speaker in March will be Charles Dillingham, a sculptor who primarily does animals and still lifes. Jimmy introduced Ben Owen III. Ben began his program with a slide and video presentation. He talked about the history of his family and showed how he processes his clay. He also showed photos of various pots, both his own and ones that inspired his work. He demonstrated making a large jar in four sections.

TPG EVENTS

Planet Earth Day

Date: Saturday, April 21, 2012

Time: 8:00 am to 5:00 pm

Volunteers needed!!

This is a shared space event where we set up ten (10) TPG shelves and everyone shares. Two 10'x10' tents will be provided. The new location will be announced.

Effie Watson is coordinating this event and will need your help getting the shelving to the site, and with set up and take down. Effie will also need someone to coordinate the central payment table (similar to Artsplosure) as well as wrapping assistance.

>>> It is anticipated that 50,000 people could be at Planet Earth Day to help celebrate the Grand Opening of the new wing of the Museum of Natural Sciences.

Artsplosure

Dates: May 19th - 20th, 2012

Registration fee: \$25.00

Signup will be at the March 6th meeting along with additional information. 23 spaces are available and sharing a space is acceptable.

Jimmy Sodano, Artsplosure Coordinator

MEMBER NEWS

from Emily Lees ...

I'm the featured three-d artist of the month during March at the Cary Gallery of Artists, 200 S. Academy St in Cary. The exhibit is up until March 22. My show is called The Cooler Side of the Spectrum and features my stoneware as well as Raku.

>>>also from Emily...

I'm looking for a used spray booth and/or equipment.

The best way to reach me is via email to emilylees@bellsouth.net.

from Eoline Killough ...

I have an original Leach treadle wheel, made by Poppin Joinery in England in 1970, which I would like to sell. It's in great condition. I acquired it while living in England in the early 90's, from the lady who bought it in 1970! So if there are any Leach nerds, or anyone who just wants a good treadle wheel, I'm asking \$450 for it. Please contact eolinekillough@gmail.com

from Jim Fatata ...

Sculpting a Portrait in Clay:

Gail Lawson will provide basic instruction on using photos and working with a live model to complete a realistic clay portrait of the human head. From building an armature to applying finishing touches, participants will receive step by step instructions to complete an anatomically correct portrait and lifelike representation of the human head. The sculpture sessions are appropriate for beginners as well as experienced artists.

Sessions start April 11, 2012 and will be held at Litmus Gallery & Studios, 312 West Cabarrus Street in downtown Raleigh. For full details, visit www.litmusgallery.com.

Litmus Gallery & Studios:

Friday, March 2, 6-9 pm

Wednesday, 3-7 pm, Mar. 2-30:

"What the Story Didn't Reveal"

features the art work of artist Sys Oppenlander. In this Trilogy, Sys explores the transparency of truth and trust in human relationships and the consequences that arise if this transparency becomes obscured.

312 W. Cabarrus St,

www.litmusgallery.com /

email artvision@bellsouth.net /

phone 919-571-3605

from Angie Williams ...

Artists for Animals Faire

The Apex Arts Council will host this arts show which benefits area animal rescue groups.

Date: April 21 (rain date April 28)

Time: 10 am - 6 pm

Place: Cloer Family Vineyards, Apex NC

Registration Fee:

\$25.00 if rec'd by Feb 1 (\$35 rec'd after)

For more information, go to

www.apexartscouncil.org/events/artists

foranimalsfaire or contact Bob Crowley,

919-349-3557.

OPPORTUNITIES...

55th National Juried Art Show

Dates: June 2 to September 23,

Awards: \$3300 in Awards...Best In Show becomes part of the Arts Center's Permanent Collection.

Eligible works: all fine arts media 2D, 3D.

Juror: Dan Early, Creative Director *Artsee Magazine*.

Open to US artists 18 years of age and older.

Enter up to 4 works for \$25 entry fee.

Prospectus online at

<http://imperialcentre.org/arts/artist.html>

Contact: Catherine Lloyd, Curator (252) 972-1163.

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LINKS

The Crafts Center

www.ncsu.edu/crafts

(919) 515-2457

Sertoma Arts Center

www.raleighnc.gov

(919) 420-2329

Pullen Arts Center

www.raleighnc.gov

(919) 831-6126

Claymakers

www.claymakers.com

(919) 530-8355

Durham Arts Council

www.durhamarts.org

(919) 560-2726

Jordan Hall Arts Center

www.townofcary.org

(919) 469-4069

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