

Clay Notes

October 2015

Clay Notes, the monthly *Triangle Potters Guild* newsletter, and the TPG membership forms are available on our website at www.trianglepotters.org.

Submissions to Clay Notes: trianglepottersguild@yahoo.com by the 15th of each month.

Send your pictures for the TPG Web site to Theresa Glisson /Webmaster taglisson@gmail.com.

Our monthly meetings are held on the first Tuesday of each month (no meetings June, July, and August) at 7:00 pm.

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Next TPG Business Meeting

Date: Tuesday, October 6, 2015

Location: NCSU Crafts Center, 100 Jensen Dr., Raleigh

Time: 7:00 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.

October Program: Joseph Sand

Artist Statement

I aspire to create items that will adorn people's homes that they can enjoy, whether they use it or just appreciate it as a piece of art. Bringing people happiness through my work plays a central role in my artistic endeavor. While producing each piece I infuse an energy that I hope will resonate with an individual on a personal, visceral level. These pieces are made to be used regularly, and so my pottery must not only be pleasing to the eye, but to the touch, as well.

Currently, I am focusing my efforts on making utilitarian ware along with larger, decorative items. I select local clay that I know will react well and glazes that will be enhanced by slips to create beautiful, vibrant patterns in a wood-fired atmosphere. Special attention is paid to the placement of pieces throughout the kiln to achieve the desired results.

Cultivated within the lineage of the strong, functional pottery ethic of Bernard Leach, Michael Cardew, and Mark Hewitt is the seed of the pristine and the divine. Because of my training with Mark, I cannot help but have this ethic entwined throughout my art. To this effect, I am looking at the past. Through my current studies of historical and contemporary traditional, southern alkaline glaze ware as well as Middle Eastern and east Asian design, I strive to carry the aesthetic to another level, striking a balance between a rich history and the ethereal



Minutes from September 2015

General Membership Meeting Minutes – September 1, 2015

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Meeting was called to order and visitors were welcomed! Minutes from the August meeting were approved.

Treasurer's Report: Eric Payne is now up and running as our treasurer. Our bank balance is \$7844.73. Fay Krapf will be handling membership – thank you Fay! Kathy Rodgers clarified that we have a family membership of \$37.50 and a student membership of \$15.

Nancy Schechter, Board Advisor's Report: We have 35 aprons left. They are available for \$10 each. She then introduced John Welch, Director of Development for Empty Bowls. John gave a terrific overview of Urban Ministries and all they do for our local community. He provided some sobering statistics; there are 100,000 families in Wake County living in poverty so they really appreciate their partnership with the TPG for Empty Bowls. Empty bowls will be at the Talley Student Center at NC State on November 12. A motion was approved to allow for an extra pricing tier of \$15 for students for the event since it will be held on the NC State Campus. Volunteers are also needed.

Librarian's Report: Joanne reported the new books that were added to the library including A Potter's Portfolio by Bernard Leach, Potter's Craft and others. Please email her if there are books you would like to recommend for the Library. She also reviewed library loan policies and reminded everyone that the library is open when the craft center is open, not just at meetings. The key is available at the front desk.

Webmaster Report: Please send your bio and pictures in for the website. The email is on the TPG webpage.

Ronda Garrison agreed to serve as our demo coordinator. Thank you Ronda! We have a request for a demonstration at Brassfield Elementary next June 1st and 29th. Please contact her if you can do this. It is a great experience for the kids! It will be compensated - \$50 per day.

Jo Ellen Westmorland announced that sign-ups had started for the NC State Craft Center show. It is a lottery to get in. She also announced new classes at the Craft Center including several beginning wheel classes.

Lou Ray Nichol is coordinating our Spring Workshop and needs volunteers to help!

Lauren Brockman is now the Studio Coordinator at Pullen Arts Center. She announced an upcoming workshop with Tanya Casteel of Cephalopod Ceramics on September 19, 24th and 25th!

Linda Lambertson introduced our presenter Tim Cherry!

Member News

Send your pictures for the TPG Web site to Theresa Glisson /Webmaster
taglisson@gmail.com.

Member forms for this year renewal for membership can be found at trianglepotters.org

Dues can be sent to the following address:

Along with your email and phone number and first and last name
to be added to the Newsletter list.

Triangle Potters Guild

ATTN: Membership

PO Box 10161, Raleigh NC 27605

TPG Books & DVDs\

By Joanne Wood, TPG Librarian

The following DVD has been ordered and will be added to the TPG Library as soon as I receive it. Please contact me at harpyjwood@gmail.com if you have book or DVD suggestions but please check the online list before you do ... we may already have it. There is a wealth of information in our library that I believe will cover most any aspect that relates to your interest .The TPG Library is located in the Craft Center Break Room and is open during TPG Meetings. TPG members may also obtain keys to the library cabinets from the front desk whenever the Craft Center is open.

Author	Title
Erin Furimsky	DVD - LAYERED SURFACES WITH ERIN FURIMSKY

Special Requests

Other News

Empty Bowls Fund Raiser:

Sertoma is actively participating in Empty Bowls event and pots are already in progress. Our goal is a minimum of 100 pots again (we made 108 pots last year). Pots can be turned in to Randy Hinson at Sertoma until November 10. He is delivering them to the Stone Soup event site on November 12.

Pullen Arts is actively collecting for the Empty Bowls event and space designated specifically for donations. Anyone with pottery to donate, may contact Nancy Schecter at nancyschecter1@gmail.com as well as bring pots to the TPG meeting.

From: Duane Beck <dulobeck@gmail.com>

Duane Beck needs experienced potters in Raleigh who could make about 55 mugs. He would work with the potter to create the logo they want.

Fall Arts Fair

Saturday, October 3, 10am-5pm

Pullen and Sertoma Arts Center artists including jewelers, painters, potters and more, along with live music and your favorite food trucks!

Announcement request

Please join us on October 13 from 6 - 7:30pm for a visioning session at Theatre in the Park. The 2014 Parks Bond Referendum allocated \$6 million for improvements at the Pullen Arts Center and surrounding north side of Pullen Park. The public is invited to express their ideas and vision at the first of three public meetings for the Pullen Arts Center and North Pullen

Park. <http://www.raleighnc.gov/parks/news/content/CorNews/Articles/PRecPullenArts.html>

Links

The Crafts Center
www.ncsu.edu/crafts
919-515-2457

Sertoma Arts Center
www.raleighnc.gov
919-996-2329

Pullen Arts Center
www.raleighnc.gov
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www.danfinch.com
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Litmus Gallery
www.litmusgallery.com
919-571-3605

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www.townofcary.org
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