

# Clay Notes

## March 2016

*Clay Notes*, the monthly *Triangle Potters Guild* newsletter, and the TPG membership forms are available on our website at [www.trianglepotters.org](http://www.trianglepotters.org).

Submissions to Clay Notes: [trianglepottersguild@yahoo.com](mailto:trianglepottersguild@yahoo.com) by the 15th of each month.

Send your pictures for the TPG Web site to Theresa Glisson /Webmaster [taglisson@gmail.com](mailto: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 March 1, 2016

**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.*

## March Program: Steve Karloski

"Steve Karloski uses clay to create art that reflects our natural world. With a sculptural focus, he uses animal, plant, and human subjects to celebrate and honor our living environment.

A graduate of Illinois State University with a degree in Fine Art, Steve has chosen clay as his medium of choice and has spent the last ten years fine tuning work sold at local shows. Also an instructor at Sertoma Art Center, he works with new potters to develop hand building and carving techniques, with an emphasis on design and the development of style. His decorative work includes wall-mounted masks, sun faces, and sea turtles, while functional work features carved vases, votives, mugs, and bowls. His unique carving technique produces a very recognizable professional look. He also uses a combination of hand building and carving that brings a high degree of life and dimension to his subjects.

Influenced by local favorite potters such as Nancy Redman, Steve has chosen natural form and elements, which dominate his current body of work. In addition to craft shows, Steve's work is also found in two local shops, and he has become a regular vendor at the North Hills Farmer's Market. He continues to prefer engaging with his customers in an effort to understand their interests, needs, and demands."

I will plan to demo several things, including the carving on bowls and vases, hand building of faces and suns, and building and carving animals, such as birds, fish, and turtles. I plan on talking about things important to what I do, including the development of design, "market research", and product mix.



## **Minutes from February 2016**

### **Triangle Potters General Membership Meeting Minutes February 2, 2016**

Linda Lambertson called the meeting to order. Last month's minutes were approved.

Eric Payne gave the treasurer's report. We have \$8,838.23 in the bank account.

Effie offered to bring snacks for next month. Thank you Effie!

Joanne Wood gave the librarian's report. She found a cool Windchimes book on the back of the shelf and reminded members to bring in their overdue books. She also purchased several books and DVDs for the library including a Marcia Selsor Raku DVD, Foundations of Mold Making by Guy Michael Davis, Integrating Form and Surface by Lorna Meaden and Throwing, Altering and Glazing with Sarah Jeager.

Faye Krapf reminded everyone to bring leave their nametags in the bowl on the way out.

Lou Ray Nichol gave an update on the Neil Patterson workshop. We need 5 more people to sign up.

Ronda Garrison proposed purchasing an Artista Wheel for the demos. After reviewing the cost and features, the membership voted in favor of purchasing the wheel. Rhonda also gave updates on additional requests for demonstrations. Thank you Fahed, Ann and Matt for volunteering to demo at Founders Day in Apex.

Nancy Schecter gave the Empty Bowls update – she will have clay at Pullen on the third Monday of the month – Feb 15<sup>th</sup> this month. She also has the facebook page EMPTYBOWLSRALEIGH up and running which has upcoming events listed for making pots for Empty Bowls.

Jo Ellen Westmoreland introduced the Craft Center's newest exhibit "Disappearing Frogs Project – Art Awareness Action." She also reminded everyone that Neil Patterson would be giving a free talk on Friday night, Feb 26<sup>th</sup>.

The meeting was adjourned and presenter Chris Campbell was introduced.

## **Member News**

### **Change of schedule for Neil Patterson Workshop**

#### **Program Changes**

#### **Spring Workshop with Neil Patterson**

at NCSU Crafts Center

#### **Free Slide Show Date Change:**

**Friday February 26 program cancelled and moved to Saturday, February 27 at 1:00 PM**

The rest of the program will be run as scheduled.

Feb. 27, 2016 10am-5pm, Feb. 28, 2016 10am-4pm

## **TPG Pics for website**

Send your pictures for the TPG Web site to Theresa Glisson /Webmaster

[taglisson@gmail.com](mailto:taglisson@gmail.com).

Member forms for this year renewal for membership can be found at [trianglepotters.org](http://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 2760

## **TPG Library News from Joanne Wood**

### **New DVD for the library**

- **Throwing & Surface Design Demonstration** (2 disc set)
  - Triangle Potters Guild Demonstration featuring potter Jeff Brown, February 3, 2015
  - videography by Carolyn Wyland

## **Empty Bowls/Stone Soup**

### **Empty Bowls/Stone Soup from: from Nancy Schecter**

We've had a great response to the new TPG policy of providing FREE CLAY for folks to make pots (not limited to bowls) for Empty Bowls! This is TPG's contribution to Urban Ministries' yearly Stone Soup fundraiser in November, which moved from community churches to it's new, permanent venue at the NC State Talley Student Center in 2015. We anticipate growing patronage. To encourage more pottery donations, we offer TPG-subsidized clay at NCSU Crafts Center (2nd Sundays 1-3pm), Cary Arts Center (3rd Thursdays 4-6pm) and Pullen Arts Center (3rd Mondays 10-12), every month through May. Sertoma also has free clay available, ask Randy Hinson. In addition, when I'm in these studios, I announce clay is available, so look for me! Below are some folks who got free clay to make EB pots: Junhie Park at Cary Arts Center, Christina Yokeley at NCSU Crafts Center, and Onay Cruz at Pullen Arts Center.

To see more photos, and schedule updates, see our Facebook page:  
search Facebook for empty bowls raleigh, or link via:

[www.facebook.com/emptybowlsraleigh](http://www.facebook.com/emptybowlsraleigh)



## **Special Requests and Other News**

Contact Rhonda Garrison [doghousepottery@gmail.com](mailto:doghousepottery@gmail.com) for this request: We have been contacted by a Girl Scout Troup in Henderson NC that is looking for a person/group to work with so the girls can get their Pottery Badge. Any names or groups that we can send to them? They are willing to travel if needed, and may be willing to pay something. Or contact [beth@triangleartworks.org](mailto:beth@triangleartworks.org)

## **Links**

**The Crafts Center**  
[www.ncsu.edu/crafts](http://www.ncsu.edu/crafts)  
919-515-2457

**Central Carolina  
Community College**  
[www.cccc.edu](http://www.cccc.edu)

**Claymakers**  
[www.claymakers.com](http://www.claymakers.com)  
919-530-8355

**Sertoma Arts Center**

[www.raleighnc.gov](http://www.raleighnc.gov)

919-996-2329

**Pullen Arts Center**

[www.raleighnc.gov](http://www.raleighnc.gov)

919-831-6126

**Cedar Creek Gallery**

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

(919)528-1041

**Finch Pottery**

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

252-235-4664

**Litmus Gallery**

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

919-571-3605

**Durham Arts Council**

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

919-560-2726

**Cary Arts Center**

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

919-469-4069