



# Monthly Clay Notes



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## *Monthly President's Message*

Welcome potters to the October Clay Notes. We've got a lot going on right now. Jim Bell is leading the efforts in support of the Urban Ministries and the Stone Soup fundraiser. Please keep abreast of his efforts and help out when you can. We also have a possible sale at the Farmers Market. Unfortunately, this comes with little notice. Watch out for notifications from Margo Daub, if you want to participate. We have some people selling pottery at the State Fair. This is exciting and I hope many of you have a chance to visit the Pottery Expo Tent. I also have exciting news concerning a TPG workshop. Victoria Smith has agreed to lead the committee to bring about an educational event. I hope to see many of you at the meeting on October 1st.

Please let our corresponding secretary, Dany Gomez know of any sales you are involved with.

*JT Hennes*

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## OUR OCTOBER PRESENTER

David Roswell is a studio potter based in Durham, North Carolina, and owner of Studio Maypop, a small shop makes pots and sells his and four other craftspeople's work. He throws functional pots on a treadle-style kick wheel using North Carolina wild clay, and fires them in his soda kiln. David has completed residencies at Starworks (2019) and Baltimore Clayworks (2022). His work is represented by the Schoolhouse Gallery at Starworks, Piedmont Craftsmen Gallery, Baltimore Clayworks, and the Mint Museum Store, among other shops and galleries. When David is not making pots, he is usually attending an organizing meeting, tending to his bees and garden, or baking bread. Process drives my creative journey. I love the feeling of a form rising from a ball of clay, the raging uncertainty in the atmospheric kiln, and the joy of pulling out a successful piece, still cooling, and learning its story. My work brings that sense of curiosity, excitement, and pleasure to the user—getting it right into their hands. I make pots for everyday use, so that people take pause and care for the things and people around them. I use locally-dug wild clay, connecting me with millennia of potters making work to serve their communities and inspire their imaginations. I draw inspiration from the sun-glinted ripples in water, the patterns and disorder of clouds, and the surfaces of weatherworn, lichen covered rocks and logs in the forest.

## NEXT TPG MEETING

This month we have an exciting demo by David Rosewell, David will throw some pieces on the wheel, and demonstrate how he alters them.

If there's enough time, he will show us how he throws pieces in two parts, pulling handles, and anything else that the participants request. David will also discuss his journey in clay, and the process of soda firing.

**Date: October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024.**

**Time: 7:00 pm.**

**Location: NCSU Craft Center.**

## UPCOMING EVENTS



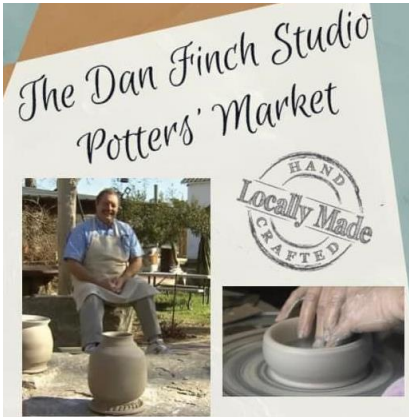
**Tuesday November 12, 2024, STONE SOUP** returns. Urban Ministries of Wake County raises money through this fun evening by selling locally made bowls and soup. They have asked TPG to help them with as many bowls as possible! They are hoping to

gather 500 bowls from many sources.

Helping in the community and serving others with our gift of pottery - making is part of our mission. TPG has been a part of this fundraiser for many years. It's a TPG tradition, and you can be part of it. Bring any bowls you have to a meeting this fall. **We want to thank all the potters that participated in the throwing/glazing sessions hosted by the NCSU Craft Center this year, thank you for all your volunteering efforts.**

**UPCOMING EVENTS CONTINUES ON PG 3**

## UPCOMING EVENTS



**Saturday, Nov 9th  
(9am-4pm).**

Mark your calendars and save this date! The Dan Finch Studio Potters are busy making some wonderful pottery to sell in beautiful

downtown Spring Hope. You won't want to miss it. **Close to 50 potters, live bands, and food trucks will make this a great way to get some unique locally hand-made gifts to give or keep for yourself.**



**October 17-27,  
2024.**

The NC State Fair is coming back! If you're interested in being a vendor at this event, please email Mr. Beau Williams at:

**potteryexpo@gmail.com.**

## ANTFARM MINI OPEN HOUSE!!

Antfarm will be having a mini open house on Saturday, October 5th as part of the Grid Project. More info can be found here <https://raleighnc.gov/arts/services/public-art/grid-project-seek-raleigh>

Antfarm is located beside the Boylan Bridge in Downtown Raleigh. Our address is 303 Kinsey Street. Unfortunately, we have limited ADA accessibility, so we suggest to plan your visit having this in mind.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ❖ We will be **looking for two members in good standing to complete the Finance Committee.** Someone with a good working knowledge of Excel is a must for this committee.
- ❖ **Our Members in good standing get wonderful benefits** when they join the Guild, some of them are:
  - Access to the TPG Pottery Demos YouTube Channel (Access to this channel will be granted soon, stay tuned!)
  - Our Library! Check out the items we have on our catalog at: <https://www.librarything.com/catalog/tpg>

## REMINDERS

- ❖ Just a kind reminder that dues for this fiscal year were due in September. If you haven't paid your dues yet, you still have some time to do it! We'll be accepting membership dues until our third meeting of this year (Nov, 5<sup>th</sup>). To pay your dues, you can go to our website at: <http://trianglepotters.org/become-a-member/>, or you can pay via check or cash at any of our Renew now to remain on the mailing list.
- ❖ Remember all, **if you have equipment or supplies that you want to sell, give away or buy, you can email me at: [trianglepottersguild@gmail.com](mailto:trianglepottersguild@gmail.com)** Make sure to include your contact info and I'll email it to the group. That way, any interested party can contact you directly.
- ❖ Any member that has not added your pottery to our website (**as a member of the TPG you are entitled to a personal page**), you may add up to 12 photos of your pottery, including one profile photo, an artist statement, and artist bio. I can change photos out for you as your work changes. Send your good quality photos to: [taglisson@gmail.com](mailto:taglisson@gmail.com). Please put on the subject line "TPG website"
- ❖ We also have a Facebook & Instagram page and you are welcome to send any shows you are participating in, pottery supplies or equipment for sale, interesting glazes you have discovered or other items you think would be interesting to our group.



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