

Monthly

# Clay Notes

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## *Message From our President*

*Welcome potters to the March meeting of the Potters Guild. Seems hard to believe how close we are to the end of our meetings this year. We have the March and April regular meetings and then we have the season ending picnic in May. Keep watching your email to stay abreast of upcoming events.*

*Please consider volunteering to get involved with the leadership of our community of interest. We have 4 positions coming open at the end of this year. We need a new president, vice president, corresponding secretary and librarian. These are great opportunities to get involved and shape the future of the group.*

*You should know we are trying something very different at the March meeting. Rather than having an outside presenter, we'll have a feedback session. Please read the section in this Clay Notes to see the details on what we have planned. I think we can all benefit from the group members with so much experience offering to give advice to help us improve the pots we create. We look forward to your participation in the feedback session and your feedback on how the process works after the event. I hope to see many of you at the March meeting.*

*JT Hennes*

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## NEXT TPG MEETING

Are you looking for ideas on how to improve your pots? Is there a technical challenge that is stumping you? Is there a problem you've been trying to solve that you would like to bring to the group? If you can answer yes to any of these questions, then the March TPG meeting is for you!

The details for this month's meeting are as follow:

**Date: March 4<sup>th</sup>, 2025.**

**Time: 7:00 pm.**

**Location: NCSU Craft Center.**



## OUR MARCH MEETING

Instead of having a presenter this month, members who would like to receive constructive feedback are invited to bring one or two pieces to the meeting to share. There will be paper/pencil comment cards for people to leave feedback and suggestions for the artist.

We will also have time for people who would like to ask specific questions to stand up and talk to the group. Talking in front of the guild is optional. If you don't want to stand up and talk in front of everyone, you will still receive the comment card people wrote to take home.

The rules for this activity are simple: 1) Be kind. 2) Be specific. 3) Be helpful.

We will provide some sentence starters to help generate helpful feedback and guide a respectful and supportive conversation. The purpose of this activity to support each other and draw on the vast experience and perspectives of our fellow guild members.

## IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT ON ARTSPLOSURE

*The following 21 artists will be selling their wares under the TPG tent at Artspllosure May 17-18. We are still hoping to have some volunteers to help with set up Saturday morning, do 1/2 hour demos, relieve potters for needed breaks, close tents up on Saturday evening, and opening sides and setting up for business on Sunday morning.*

<i>Edge Barnes</i>	<i>Greyson DeArmano w/Samantha Steffens</i>	<i>JT Hennes</i>	<i>Sarah Peters</i>
<i>Donna Breniman</i>	<i>Robert Emerson</i>	<i>Kim Hennes</i>	<i>Dede Richardson</i>
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<i>Margo Daub</i>	<i>Laura Harris</i>	<i>Neal O'Briant</i>	<i>Gary Tabor</i>

*Please contact me if you have any questions or would like to help in any way for this fun and rewarding weekend.*

*~Kim Hennes*

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ❖ We are looking for Members in good standing to **become part of the TPG Board on the roles of: Librarian, Corresponding Secretary, President and Vice President**. If you'd like to volunteer for this position, please send an email to: [trianglepottersguild@gmail.com](mailto:trianglepottersguild@gmail.com)
- ❖ **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>
  - Discounts.
  - Opportunities that are exclusive to our members.
  - Monthly Newsletter.
  - Email list for items being sold, event, and Q&A.
  - Discounted exhibitions at Farmers Market and Artsposure.
  - Social Media presence: Webpage posting with your bio and 12 photos, Facebook and Instagram pages.
  - Monthly membership meetings with demos.
  - Community events.

## REMINDERS

- ❖ 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 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.
- ❖ A reminder for all our members that Laurie Mc Nair has **shelves for exposing the TPG potter's work** when they go to events to sell their work. If you need to borrow them, you can email her at [shanmad@earthlink.net](mailto:shanmad@earthlink.net)

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