

Guild at a Glance

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South Vancouver Island Potters' Guild meets the 2nd Monday of the month at 4733 West Saanich Road, Victoria

October's Meeting – More Show & Tell

In some ways October's meeting was an extension of September's. In others, brand new information was disseminated. Its pretty great how knowledgeable members are eh?

Derek K. brought 2 of his birds back to show us all how they look glazed. Since September he'd glazed & fired them using mostly Stephen Hill's pallet. Derek sprayed layers of glaze on his work, to give it the depth seen, even though it was fired in an electric kiln.

Rosemary N. is the person who had the raku kiln featured in last month's newsletter. The bird she brought was made from low-fire paper clay. As usual, Rosemary had an

interesting question for the group, requesting information about the best way to glue fired pottery together. A rather spirited discussion followed, many opinions were expressed and it was decided that this would be a great topic for an upcoming program.



**Our next meeting will be
MONDAY
December 14th 2015
We meet at 7:30 pm at
St. Michael's
Anglican Church
4733 West Saanich Road**

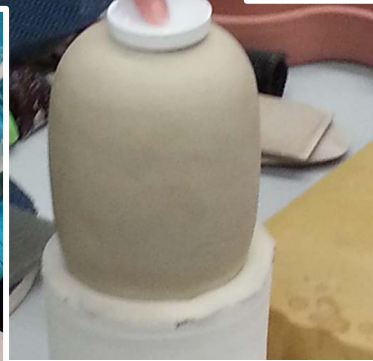
Don't forget the RAFFLE!

Marjory W. is a new member presenting to us. She took Pat Webber's MISSA class this summer. Pat encouraged her to expand her non-functional work – making gourds and pigs as well as frogs. Marjory talk was interesting – the Editor wishes she'd taken more notes.

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Libby W. was also at MISSA this summer. Her altered wheel-thrown work was most interesting. Beginning with a closed thrown form, she created gourd-like shapes by altering then added a small lid with a hole in it. Covering and uncovering the hole regulates the amount poured, making both an interesting shape and a very functional piece – another upcoming topic?



Like Derek, **Linda V.** was a returnee from last month. She went to the bother of preparing a number of pieces for us to better illustrate what

she'd spoken of in September. Of particular note was how she (right to left above) paddled thrown work, used a trimming chuck with a foam top, centred using a small plastic top before trimming, cut a closed piece with a wire to be joined at the bottom into a segmented piece. I know others (aside from the Editor) learned much from her part of the presentation.

The presentations these last two months have demonstrated that SVIPG members continue to learn much from each other and the workshops they attend. While it is great to have presentations from people 'away' from the group, the last two months have brought to front of mind how much talent we possess and how many more 'home grown' presentations would be useful.

Which is a decent segue to a current need of our Guild. Programs each month are an important part of guild meetings. Our Program Coordinator would dearly LOVE some help. Please contact Rosemary N. if you can help her.

Coming next month:

ITS PARTY TIME! We celebrate the winter season with finger foods (sweet or savory) and we celebrate the work we do by bringing stuff from our work spaces (and we ALL have STUFF). We bring STUFF to sell each other and to give away AND we show each other what we've been doing.

SO ... come prepared to eat, sell and show your STUFF!

From the Library

For those new to the guild, welcome to a great resource! Here is a summary of how our library loans work - much of this info is also at: www.victoriapotters.ca/library. The collection is available for paid members to borrow from at monthly meetings. Items are loaned for one month only.

Process: On the library card (found on the inside cover or back of books/DVD's), print your name & the date signed-out. Then place this card in the small "Signed Out" box (located on the table beside the piano). When returning items the next month, work in reverse: (1) get the card from the box, (2) place this in the book/DVD's card envelope, (3) replace the item according to the Registration Number found on the lower front cover.

Inventory: A Library catalogue list is available on our website, and searchable in four ways: by Registration number, by Title, Author or Topic. These lists are also printed and available at meetings, beside the 'Signed Out' box.

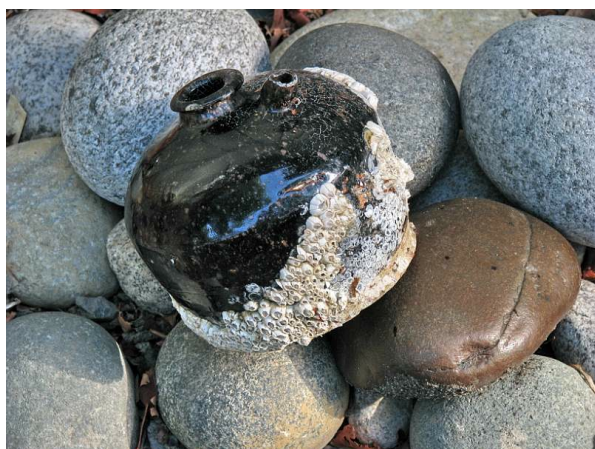
Books and DVDs are stored in order of Registration number, with the DVD's kept in a separate box. You'll find the newest book purchases towards the left (same with DVD's in their box). DVD numbers begin with "VD" and books with "00" (for example: VD065 and 00221). If you've searched for a particular item using the website inventory lists, just make a note of the Registration number and look for it once at the meeting.

Overdue Fee: A \$5 fee is charged for each item that's overdue - BUT a "Courtesy renewal" can be offered once per year (Sep.-June) IF you contact one of the Library Committee before the meeting [Nancy Wall, Belle Leon, Kris Jeffrey]. Fines may be paid to one of the Library Committee. These funds are used for new purchases.

Suggestions & Donations: Suggestions for new purchases are welcome and may be sent to Nancy W. [dnpk@shaw.ca]. If you are considering donating books, please check the 'Title' Inventory list to see if it's already in our collection (no magazines please). Duplicates make for good contributions to the Raffle. No magazines, thank you.

Submitted by Nancy W.

What is this?



Look what the tide returned to the beach at Esquimalt Lagoon!

It came with a long tail of kelp.

Any comments? How old could it be?

I could not quite figure out, how and where the handle was attached.

It has been in the water for a long time looking at the crust of barnacles.

Submitted by Heidi R.

A (Gentle) Reminder

DUES FOR 2015- June, 2016 are now due!!

If you have not paid for this year you have until Dec. 14th. After that your name will be removed from our list.

I would like to produce an up-to-date membership list starting Jan. 1st. If you wish you can send your cheque for \$30.00 to our Treasurer: Linda Vigliotti, 345 Hector Road, Victoria, BC V9E 2C3

Thank you!

Betty Burroughs
Membership Chairman

Submitted by Betty B.

UPCOMING COAST COLLECTIVE EXHIBITS

(see our website www.coastcollective.ca)

Small Treasures

November 4 to 22

Gifts & Wishes 8

November 25 to December 20*

We are excited to present our GIFTS & WISHES

Christmas showcase as the final exhibition

held in our current location **before** our much-anticipated move.

Join us for this very special holiday show!

HOURS OF OPERATION

Wednesday through Sunday

12:00 to 5:00 p.m.

Until December 20, 2015

3221 Heatherbell Road

Victoria (Colwood), BC

We're just putting the finishing touches on the schedule of shows for 2016, so stay tuned for more info about what we have planned for our new gallery at Westridge Landing in the heart of the West Shore. See below:

Visit our NEW LOCATION

January 6, 2016

#103 - 318 Wale Road

Victoria (Colwood), BC

250 391.5522

Our new home will have 3,000 square feet of gallery, gift shop and workshop space that's centrally located close to transit and a number of terrific West Shore amenities!

Are you an artist or instructor looking for a place to show your work or teach? As we look forward to moving into our brand-new space we also want to hear from any artists interested in joining the new venue; new instructors as well!

This new high-profile location will create new opportunities for Vancouver Island artists and craftspeople to showcase their work at the gateway to the West Shore, one of the fastest growing regions in the country.

NEW Opening Date

The Coast Collective's New Location is Opening January 6th!

Due to minor construction delays, we have postponed the opening date of our new location. Our gallery exhibits **Small Treasures and Gifts and Wishes will remain at our current location** in Pendray House at Esquimalt Lagoon.

Submitted by Belle L.



More Upcoming Events



Submitted by Rosemary N.

**Kris J. and Rosemary N. at
Commonwealth Pool ...**



Submitted by Nancy F.

**... Nancy F. (and others) at
Cedar Hill ...**

IAA Island Artisans Association presents

**Gifts for
Myself and Others**
27th Annual Juried Show
& Sale of Fine Craft

Fri Nov. 20 Noon - 8pm
Sat Nov. 21 10am - 6pm
Sun Nov. 22 11am - 5pm

Da Vinci Centre
195 Bay Street
Victoria, BC
Event Pass \$4
\$1 off with foodbank item

Hourly prize draws and a chance
to win a \$250 shopping spree!

sponsored by

TIMES COLONIST **98.5 Ocean** **THE MUSTARD SEED**

**... Island Artisans
(including Tobias T.) at the
De Vinci Centre ...**

Submitted by Tobias T.

Island Artisans Association
PO Box 5322, Victoria, BC V8

IAA

**Gifts for
Myself and Others**
27th Annual Juried Show
& Sale of Fine Craft

Welcome to the 27th year of this
gem of a show, featuring a broad
selection of treasures handcrafted
by artisans from the Islands.

Fine Crafts, Good Food, and Great
Music. Bring your friends, find those
special gifts and meet the artists.

Free parking available!

Hourly prize
draws and a
chance to win a
\$250 shopping
spree!

"The Gallery Shoppe"
will be back again this
year showcasing more
talented IAA members'
works!

Friday Night Special Draw!

Come by on Friday only to
enter for a chance to win
a pair of tickets to **Barney
Bentall's Caribou Express
Concert** on Saturday night.

TIMES COLONIST

THE MUSTARD SEED

98.5 Ocean
Victoria's Perfect Music Mix

Bring this postcard in
for \$1 off admission!

**... and don't forget Stinking Fish.
Marlene Bowman, Judi Dyelle, Robin
Hopper, Alice McLean and Anne
Semple (and others) will be:**

**'schooling' at
West Mont Montessori School
4015 Mechosin Road
November 14 & 15
10 am – 5 pm
Free Admission**



Submitted by Anne S.
For more information, go to :
<http://www.stinkingfishstudiotour.com/events.php>

For Sale

Susan Cairns writes:

Thank you to all who quickly came and cleared out so much....and thanks to those who spread the word. The wheel, kiln and slab roller sold pretty much the first day and lots of supplies and freebies went too. I was amazed at the number of inquiries!! I am looking forward to an empty studio and planning it's future use.

Still leftover are:

Circular Shelves...cone 10...virtually like new
21" X 3/4" half rounds @ \$20 each
21" X 3/4" rounds @ \$35 ea

Posts....cone 10...virtually like new
from 1/2" to 9" from \$.50 to \$3. ea

Spectrum Underglazes

Full and partial gallons, pints and 4oz jars...half list price

Harrison-Bell China paints....many unopened, \$10. box

Tea Light bases and metal or glass shades

assorted colours and designs, paid \$7set. Sell@10 sets for \$15

Pottery Books....lots...half price or less

Boards and batts lots @\$2 or less

Packaging materials

500 heavy duty plastic bags, black, 20"X23"X4" pd \$120. sell \$60.
Corrugated boxes with gold elastics 3", 10 for \$3.50
Corrugated window boxes, 10 for \$5. (pd \$11.50)
Shred assorted colours...\$2. Bag

For information contact Susan Cairns

phone:250.743.3420

email: tomandsusancairns@yahoo.ca

ADVERTIZING RATES

Business card size (2" x 3 1/2"):

\$10 per issue

or

\$75 for 10 issues

Quarter page ad (3 1/2" x 4 3/4")

\$20 per issue

or

\$150 for 10 issues

Sales announcements, events, classified ads:

FREE

contact the *At a Glance* editor at:
eartarts@shaw.ca

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... is the newsletter for the South Vancouver Island Potters Guild.

It is published monthly, September through June, and is available at meetings and online at www.victoriapotters.ca

Articles and items of interest to members are welcome and will be included as space permits.

Items for inclusion are best emailed to the editor, Louise, at eartharts@shaw.ca

**SUBMISSION DEADLINE IS NOON
THE FIRST MONDAY
OF EACH MONTH**

The earlier submissions are received, the more likely there will be room to include them. Be kind to the editor, please send items for inclusion *before* the deadline.

Your 2014-2015 Executive

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Victoria Clay Art

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Victoria BC V8Z 1M8
250 384-3831
vcart@shaw.ca

Here is a list of my favorite pottery tools, glazes and things. Dan

All available at Victoria Clay Art

Mud Tool Ribs
Amaco PC-20 Blue Rutile [cone 6]
Alphabet Stamp Set
2" Goat Hair Fan Brush
Magic Water
Stroke & Coat SC-74 Hot Tomale [cone 08-10]
MKM Finger Rollers
Xiem Telescoping Sponge on a Stick
Mud Tool Blue Sponge
Amaco Velvet Underglaze V-361 Jet Black
Aardvark Cone 5 BEE-Mix
Mud Tool Clay Cutting Wire [green handle]
MKM Wood Stamps
Paper Clay cone 06, 6, or 10

**Come in and look around, we're open
10:00am to 5:00pm Mon-Sat**

VIPS is Moving

Hello to all our valued customers,
This is notice that VIPS is moving. November will be a disrupted month as we will be packing. We will be open for business but we encourage anyone knowing that you will require supplies in that time to get them now to avoid disappointment. We will be closed November 30 – December 4 for the move. We will have the same phone number and I will update you with the new address as soon as possible.

Cheers, Donna

Ph: 1-250-248-2314

E-Mail: sales@vipottersupply.com
(new email address!!)

Web: www.vipottersupply.com

Pottery @ Greenglade Community Centre



Winter Courses & Workshops for all ages from tots to 60 years+.

Drop-in times also available.



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www.panoramarecreation.ca

REMEMBER – among others, 2 great benefits to being in the South Vancouver Island Potters Guild are:

- 1) the library
- 2) access to the BC Potter's Guild newsletter online. Betty B. sends us the username and password each month.

So ... check them out! They're worth using!

DISCOVERY ART TRAVEL



EXPLORE MYANMAR (BURMA) 2016, January 20 - February 4

**SMALL GROUP ART TRAVEL SPACES STILL AVAILABLE
PARTICIPATE THIS YEAR**

Register before August 31 and SAVE \$100
www.discoveryarttravel.com denys@denysjames.com
1-250-537-4906

Burma: Appreciate the History, Warmth and Beauty of Old Asia

UPCOMING EXCURSIONS : Registration Open

MOROCCO 2016, October 17 - November 7 **SICILY** 2017, April 22 - May 10

**Our Library welcomes your suggestions –
Contact Nancy W.
nwall2009@gmail.com**