

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

March's Meeting – "Teapots"

Once again, the Editor wasn't present and no write up (magically) appeared in her email. Luckily, Derek's minuets contained a bit of description:

"The [March] program was a show and tell of members' teapots. Eric Roberts showed off several and extolled their virtues. He had a very large fancifully glazed vessel to show off which was created by Randy Brodnax. Eric described how he had salvaged it from MISSA some years ago.

Linda V. showed off some of her very refined work including one teapot with a stunning handmade cane handle.

Muriel S. spoke about her whimsical mouse teapot.

Louise B. very enthusiastically described the making and glazing of her vividly chattered and decorated entry, fresh from the kiln.

Heidi M. gushed over a beautifully made and refined dark coloured pot that she had had for some time and loved.

Monika Burrell had a couple of finely made squared off body teapots with remarkably round lids and seats, which she seemed to take for granted. Others of us were amazed."

Photos submitted by Roger C. Text submitted by Derek K.



Writer(s) Needed

Two positions need to be filled – one immediately, one at the next AGM.

Immediately a program writer is needed. Just one or two paragraphs about each program are all that's required.

At the next AGM the position of Editor for the SVIPG newsletter will be formally made vacant. If you volunteer soon you can shadow the current Editor or take it over now.

Each of these is important to the Guild. Each of these only really requires your presence – to write a paragraph or deliver the newsletter.

The newsletter has been central to the Guild for many years,

PLEASE HELP !

Contact any member of the Executive or the newsletter Editor.

**Our next meeting will be
MONDAY
May 9th 2016
We meet at 7:30 pm at
St. Michael's
Anglican Church
4733 West Saanich Road**

Don't forget the RAFFLE!

Coming in May

We are delighted to welcome Alan Burgess, potter and teacher, who will be speaking to us about his long career in clay and the ancient and modern ceramics sources that inspire him. Alan's functional and decorative pots have been exhibited across North America and Europe, and his teaching has inspired many a potter. Check out his work at <http://alanburgesspotter.com/>, <http://www.firedup.ca/artist-profile/alan-burgess/>



Photo from the web. Text submitted by Rosemary N.

Susan Delatour Workshop



Susan's workshop was a great success. I am thinking of it as "Susan's Play Day".

After a brief introduction of her work, Susan showed us pictures of her travels in Europe pointing out the different styles of houses, cottages, historic buildings. She then demonstrated, how to build her signature houses. Rolling out the clay, sometimes using tracers for walls and roofs, putting it all together, decorating.

The next day, we continued to work on our creations and painting them with under glazes and slips.

Susan told us her secret of creating "shadow figures" on the walls. Easy! Just cut a shape from newspaper and stick it on the still damp clay. Then paint over it with underglaze and peel off the paper. When the project is put into the fire, the smoke will adhere to the "shadow".

Susan showed us pictures of her sawdust kiln and how she wraps part of the houses with aluminum foil so that only certain parts get smoked. The result is absolutely delightful.

We all started out with the same instructions, but everybody produced a highly individual piece of art.

There were cottages, gnome houses, architectural wonders, castles, a doll house, a Mexican retirement (?) home and more.

We all had a lot of fun and even the potters (the majority) were freed of their wheels for a weekend.

Thank you, Susan, and all the organizers from the guild.

Photo submitted by Rachel C. Text submitted by Heidi R.

Upcoming Events



SPRING 2016 Open Studio Tour!

Submitted by Cathi J.



**APRIL 15, 16 & 17
from 10am to 5pm**

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Welcome to the 17th Annual

Spring 2016 Oak Bay Artists' Studio Tour

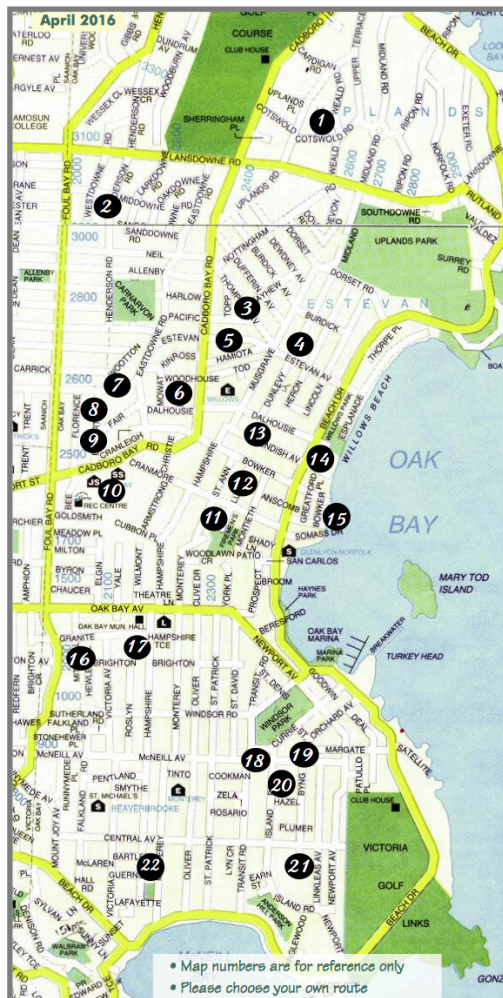
Saturday & Sunday

April 16-17

Noon-4:30pm

**A self-guided free event
presented by Recreation Oak Bay**

Submitted by Heidi R.



recreation.oakbay.ca

Saanich Peninsula Arts & Crafts Society

Not Just Another Arts Group

Spring Show 2016

Saturday, April 30 Sunday, May 1

10 am - 4:30 pm

Submitted by Betty F.

Calls For Artists

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Gala reception Friday, May 13th

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October 6 - October 16, 2016

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SSCIA Established Artist, 1st \$3,000

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SSCIA Honourable Mentions, \$500

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Artists are invited to submit works comprised of clay, anonymous to a three-member jury. Category and submission guidelines may be found on our website.

For More Information

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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.

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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 HAS MOVED

Hello to all our valued customers,

This is notice that VIPS has moved.

Our new address is:

515 Stanford Avenue E.
Parksville, BC
V9T 6V6

We will have the same phone number and website address. We have a new email address.

Cheers, Donna

Ph: 1-250-248-2314

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

Web: www.vipottersupply.com

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.

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LIKED TO SEE HERE**