



# Fraser Valley Potters' Guild Newsletter

November 2011

## REFRESHMENTS

NOV.10 - Linda Ward, Diane West,  
Jennifer Po

DEC. - Christmas Potluck

JAN.12 - Kazue Okuchi, Dorthy  
Warwicker, Carol Stanton

FEB. 9 - Helga Krem, Dan  
DeMontreuil, Arlene McGowan

MAR. 8 - Jenny Ross, Shirley  
Inuoye, Caole Schindler

APR. 12 - Loren Lo, Arlene  
Skelton, Heather Northam

MAY 10 - Diane Petersen,  
Vivian McMillan, Karen Byle

JUNE - Potluck

**Next meeting: 10 November, 7:15 p.m.**

### Guest Presenter: Vin Arora (Potter, Educator, Ceramic Technician)

Over the last 14 years, Vin has graduated from the Emily Carr Institute of Art and Design, travelled to India, Nepal, throughout the United States and Canada and England, taught English in rural Quebec, taught arts within the public school system and arts umbrella, worked for 3 potters, a decorative tile producer, a theme park equipment manufacturer, a restaurant, a cafe, a ceramic tile maker, and a community centre.

In his own work, Vin has maintained an ongoing focus and interest in stoneware glaze chemistry as well as mid-high firing temperatures and atmospheric firings. He currently makes work in his own studio and teaches both youth and adult pottery and ceramics at Place Des Arts in Coquitlam and the Shadboldt center in Burnaby, BC.

In his presentation he will offer up a review of his work, show current examples, a digital slide presentation and do a demonstration at the wheel.

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

*[editor's note: trouble accessing web site, hence no photos of pots]*

Fraser Valley Potters Guild  
Christmas Pottery Sale November 5  
See page 5 for inventory/sales sheet

*From the Raku event at Pat's—  
October 2011  
(see more photos on pages 3 and 4)*



## Meetings:

Ceramics Lab, Kwantlen Polytechnic University, Surrey Campus. Parking is \$3.50  
Unless otherwise stated the meetings start at 7.15pm, normally on the second Thursday of the month.



**Guild Information**

Website  
[www.members.shaw.ca/fraservalleypotters/index.htm](http://www.members.shaw.ca/fraservalleypotters/index.htm)

President: Pat Schendel  
 Vice President: David Lloyd  
 Secretary: Linda Ward  
 Guest Arrangements:  
 Carolyn MacLaren  
 Treasurer: Cheryl Stapleton

Juried Show:  
 Kay Bonathan and Pat Schendel

Membership: Sara Zindler  
 9660 Seacote Rd. Richmond, B.C.  
 V7A-4A4.

Annual Membership  
 \$30.00 per person  
 (\$40.00 per family, \$15 per student)  
 and 20 critters for Campbell Valley  
 or 5 beautiful bowls for the Empty Bowl sale.

Digital Photo Collection:  
 Linda Ward

Book and video Library:  
 Diane West  
 Books and videos are available prior to meetings.

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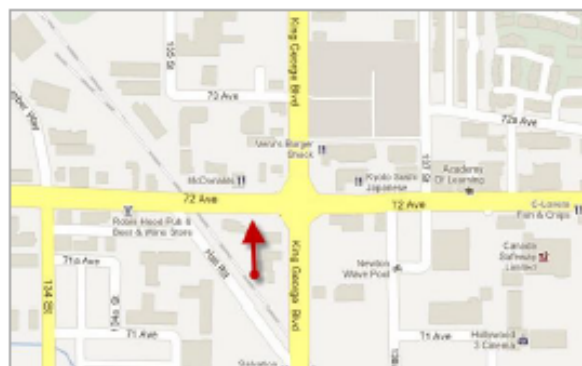
**CHRISTMAS POTTERY SALE**  
 Fraser Valley Potters Guild  
 For your Christmas Shopping pleasure

The First Annual Christmas Pottery Sale...  
 Featuring the work of more than 20 potters

Mark the date and time on your calendar  
**Saturday, November 5<sup>th</sup>, 2011**  
**10:00 am to 5:00 pm**

**Newton Cultural Centre**  
 13530 – 72<sup>nd</sup> Avenue  
 Surrey, British Columbia

The Fraser Valley Potters Guild presents  
 The first ever Christmas Pottery Sale featuring the  
 work of more than 20 potters



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## Fraser Valley Potter's Guild

### Minutes of Meeting held October 13, 2011

Our profit from **Campbell Valley** this year is \$1,600.

Nov.5<sup>th</sup>: first ever **Christmas Sale**.

Pass out advertisements and let everyone know. Take flyers and pass out. Everyone participating should call people from a phone list provided . Approximately \$25 for a 6ft table and \$15 for half an 8ft table. Lucille will e-mail page of instructions. We will have Visa and MC through the office. Guild has bags and paper, please bring some if you have it. Sign up for duties. Set Up 8am, Open from 10am-5pm. Clean up by 6:00. Wish us good luck!

Show at **Fort Langley Centennial Museum** "Earth Formed Water Rendered" continues until Dec. 20<sup>th</sup>. Mug Wall doing very well.

**Mary Fox** will be our guest at our Friday, January 14th, 2012 meeting. Take note of the change from Thurs to Fri. She will be doing a workshop on Saturday January 15<sup>th</sup>. She will talk about different things on Saturday morning than at the Friday meeting, and will present a video of throwing 2 piece pots. Everyone is welcome to the morning session at a low as yet undetermined price. In the afternoon, only 15 participants will have hands on help in correcting problems they may have with throwing or hand-building. Bring things for a critique that you want help with.

**Raku** at Pat's this Saturday and Tuesday. Bring lunch to share. 10:00 setup and go until 3:00.



*More Raku results*

**Juried Show for 2012 will most likely be in Chilliwack** – there are some problems to iron out. **Lana Wilson juror**. We are hoping to move this show on to Richmond following, as the Richmond Arts Council is applying for a grant for this purpose.

Kay approached Myrta Hayes about a **new website**. She designed the Tri City Potters and Port Moody Art Centre website. She would maintain for us. Cheryl talked to Linda Lewis, who designed the BC Potters, NWC Foundation, and Clay Symposium websites. Linda would design and then teach us to maintain the site. Check them out and bring discussions to the next meeting. We would need to supply pictures, etc. Fee for hosting and Domain name. A vote was taken and a budget of \$500 for the work on the new website was approved by the membership.

**Financials** - \$8,753.01 balance clear.

### Craft Fair at SFU's Surrey Campus.

"Market in the Mezzanine" a United Way fundraising campaign. \$30 for a table and small pot donation. 102nd and King George. Dec. 1, Thursday 10-3:30. Application and info via [websurvey.sfu.ca/survey/87608318](http://websurvey.sfu.ca/survey/87608318) or call Nadia Williams ph: 778-782-7486. Email: [nadia\\_williams@sfu.ca](mailto:nadia_williams@sfu.ca)

### Maple Ridge Art Gallery

"Ensemble" 2011 Exhibition & Sale runs Nov. 19<sup>th</sup> – Dec. 18<sup>th</sup>.

Submission deadline Fri. Oct. 28<sup>th</sup> at 4pm. A show of groupings of similar works or of parts that make up a whole. Contact Barbara Duncan: [barbarad@mact.org](mailto:barbarad@mact.org) or 604-476-4240

**Shimpo slide show** – and throwing demo Friday 21<sup>st</sup> - 3 hours at Kwantlen.

**Sumi Von Dassow** – Pit Fire workshop on Salt Spring Island. Oct 22 & 23<sup>rd</sup>. \$175 for 2 days. Need bisqued and Terra Sig Pots.

**Guest Presenter** – Gunda Stewart. – Woodfirer from Creston, B.C.

## FVPG RAKU GLAZES

All will mature at cone 06

These first 4 glazes will have crackles. To make more crackles, swing them in the air before putting in the burning barrel, or spray lightly with water.

### Clear

Gerstley Borate 80%  
Neph. Syenite 20%  
total 100%

### White

Gerstley Borate 80 grams  
Neph. Syenite 20 grams  
Tin Oxide 5 grams  
Zircopax 5 grams

**Pink** - White base as above.

Add 7.5% Deep Crimson #6005 Mason stain.

### Blue

Gerstley Borate 80 grams  
Neph. Syenite 20 grams  
Cobalt Oxide 1 gram

These next 3 glazes will be shiny:

### Lustre

Gerstley Borate 80 grams  
Neph. Syenite 20 grams  
Copper Carbonate 10 grams  
Red Iron Oxide 10 grams

### Blue Copper Lustre

Gerstley Borate 82 grams  
Cornwall Stone 18 grams  
Cobalt Carbonate 0.3 grams  
Copper Carbonate 2.1 grams

### Green Gold

Gerstley Borate 80 grams  
Custar Feldspar 20 grams  
Copper Carbonate 4 grams

This glaze is dry with a rainbow of colors:

### Copper Sands

Gerstley Borate 74 grams  
Bone Ash 19 grams  
Cobalt Oxide 2 grams  
Copper Carbonate 5 grams

Note: all these Raku glazes should be mixed to the consistency of soft yogurt.

Apply 2 thin coats to cover. Fire to cone 06 and reduce strongly for coppery colours, less so for oxidized colours

4th Annual Yarrow Christmas Crawl  
November 26 & 27, 2011  
Saturday & Sunday  
10am to 5pm  
<http://www.yarrowchristmascrawl.com/>



**Saturday, November 5<sup>th</sup> 1pm to 2:30pm**

Join **Karin Marita Jones** for an informal talk and presentation on her work, her inspiration and the different ways she approaches her craft. Much of Karin's work features a centuries old technique called *Damascene* in which silver and gold are inlaid in steel.

For further information, contact curator, Barbara Duncan at [barbarad@mract.org](mailto:barbarad@mract.org) or by telephone at 604-476-4240.

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**List of Works****FVPG SALE****Mark** \_\_\_\_\_

Name:

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

Address:

Phone/Email:

*(Checked)**Treasurers  
Use Only*

<u>IN</u>	<u>HOME</u>	<u>ITEM No.</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>SALE PRICE</u>	<u>SOLD</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>					
<b>Less 15%</b>					
<b>TOTAL PAID</b>					