



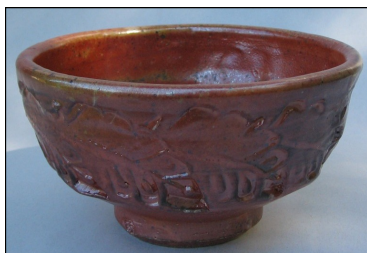
Fraser Valley Potters' Guild Newsletter

October 2011

REFRESHMENTS

There is a new Refreshments schedule for 11-12, but the editor does not have this info yet!

If you signed up for October, please bring goodies to the meeting!



Next meeting: 13 October, 7:15 p.m.

Guest Presenter: Gunda Stewart

Gunda Stewart is a studio potter in Creston, in the Kootenays. She produces wood fired functional pots intended for daily use, believing in the "dignity of domestic ware". Her work is influenced by the folk traditions of England, Germany, and Japan as well as potters working in the Leach tradition, such as John Reeve, Joe Bennion and Phil Rogers. On October 13, 2011 she will be presenting slides of her work and discussing her work process, including clay mixing and wood firing.



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

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.

Scrapbook: Marya Harris

Digital Photo Collection:
 Linda Ward

Video Library: Linda Lebrun
 Sign out videos, at meetings; please
 return them. There is no charge.

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

Refreshment Coordinators:
 Irene Chou, Dawn Govier

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 The deadline for submissions is the
 third Monday of the previous month.

**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 5th, 2011
10:00 am to 5:00 pm

Newton Cultural Centre
 13530 – 72nd 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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For more info: contact Pat at fraservalleypg@hotmail.com

From the President

Report on the Opening of our Ft. Langley Show "Earth Formed, Water Rendered", at the Centennial Museum and Gallery, Sept. 12th.

This collaborative show with the Fraser Valley Water Color Society and the FVPGA opened Sept. 2nd, with the Reception on the 12th. There was a good turnout, good food and drink, and quite a number of sales especially from the Mug Wall. Ten of our members entered work with a wide variety of styles and techniques, doing us proud. Everyone I spoke to loved the show! It will be running until Dec. 20th, so please take your friends and family. It's a good place to do your Christmas shopping.

Report from Campbell Valley fund-raising Raku, Sept. 17th and 18th:

The weekend was perfect Rakuing weather, after the early morning show-ers ended. We had lots of stock with the most fabulous critters imaginable, and great glazes – thank you Beverly. 43 members took part in the event. A big thank you goes to members who brought their family members to help, notably Laurel, Eliza, Cynthia and Heather. Thank you Linda for making our wonderful lunches. Thank you also to Heather and Gail for managing their tents so beautifully. The Children's "play with clay" tent was a hit as usual, and our Pottery Sales booth did quite well too. Sunday afternoon take-down went well with the help of husbands and we were cleaned up and out of there in good time. It takes many hands and vehicles to haul equipment and make it all work out. You are a great team!

Our sales for the weekend were unfortunately lower than we would like, at about \$2,241. Our expenses for rental of the booth are \$195, Propane \$166.88, Glaze chemicals \$84.78, Cones \$12.50, Food \$116.86, Photocopying \$9.32 for a total of \$585.34. Our profit therefore is just \$1,655.66. It seems low for all the hard work. If you can think of an easier way to make money, please let me know.

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Minutes of Meeting held September 8, 2011

We have a **welcome package** now for new members.

Membership is now due. The cost of a membership is \$30 single, \$15 student, \$40 family.

We are streamlining all **gifts**, \$30 gift certificate to Greenbarn.

Changes to our **volunteers this year** are Refreshments – Laurel Vlieg, Library – Diane West, Guest Arrangements– Carolyn MacLaren. Members signed a thank-you card to Dianne Wilson for her years of service, to go with a gift certificate.

Website – we need a new and fresh look to our website. Carolyn MacLaren is looking into this. We want to hire a professional web designer to set it up and we will maintain it.

Campbell Valley Fair – Sept. 17th and 18th. We have our Raku fundraiser as usual with Pat coordinating volunteers, the Children's free "Play with Clay" booth (run by Heather), and a Pottery Sales booth for members work (Gail Simpson looking after this, with set-up at 5pm Fri.)

We are short of volunteers for the Raku'ing. We setup at 8:00 on Saturday, the fair opens at 10:00 until 5:00. Sunday we start at 9:00. Lucille away, Linda volunteered to do Sandwiches for our volunteers.

Events that we had this

year – Our juried show, Cathi Jefferson workshop and then a soda fire at her home. Woodfire in June. Evergreen Raku on July 1st.

Surrey Library – open now, looks like a big ship inside and out. Grand opening September 24th 11-3, speeches at 1:00, also entertainment. We have a display of pottery from around the world from our members collections, on the 2nd floor to augment the world language library section. It will be on display for at least 6months, to a year. Please go and have a look. Address: 10350 University Drive, Surrey.



*Pottery From Around the World, Surrey Library
(Pat Schendel in photo)*

Earth Formed Water Rendered – FVPG and FV Watercolor Society's joint show is now running at the Langley Centennial Gallery. Grand Opening Sept.12/11 7-9pm. Address: 9135 King Street, Fort Langley. It runs until Dec. 20th. A great place to do your Christmas shopping.

Richmond Community Arts – we have been invited by the Richmond Arts Council to put on a 2 day show in Richmond in the New Year. TBA.

Culture Days – Newton Cultural Centre celebrates it's 1st Anniversary with a Craft Sale October 1 & 2. Everyone welcome to join in our pottery table. Call Pat at 604-594-0470

Richmond Art Council has organized many different artists for their Culture Days, to demo their work, with public participation as much as possible. Lansdowne Mall– Oct. 1st and 2nd. Several of our potters will participate.

Our 1st Christmas Pottery Sale – Nov.5/11 10-5pm at the Newton Cultural Centre. Pat wants everyone to enter the sale to make it a great success. Half and full tables available. Price to be determined. Please contact Pat if interested.

Giovanna needs images of your work for an invite and poster for this event. Email: gcameron2@bccancer.bc.ca

Raku at Pat's for members – Sat. October 15/11 and Tues. Oct 18th/11. A chance to make some work for the Sale. Bring 4 med. bisque fired pots or equivalent each, glazes provided, small fee for propane, bring potluck lunch to share. Address: 13356 64th Avenue, Surrey. Let her know if you are coming.

Mary Fox – has show at Granville Island this month. She is our guest presenter in January and is offering to do a workshop following. Her focus is on correcting problems and to show us how she works. We will work on getting a room booked for this. Costs to be determined.

Finances – In the bank \$6,626.31.

Guest Presenter – Santo Mignosa

Call for Artists: Ensemble 2011

OPEN CALL FOR ARTISTS AND ARTISANS WORKING IN ALL MEDIUMS

Show title: *Ensemble* (together)

Call Information:

The Maple Ridge Art Gallery invites artists and artisans from throughout the Lower Mainland & Fraser Valley to contribute work to our annual Christmas exhibition and sale, **Ensemble**.

The intent of this juried show is to enable artists to exhibit a small group or series of works that are enhanced by being displayed together. Accepted works must be of the same medium and (approximate) dimensions, and share a common theme and/or style. Presentation must be consistent for each group of works (ie, matching frames or alternate presentation suitable for gallery installation).

The presentation of each artist's (or artisan's) work is also intended to allow for a coherent statement from each artist, rather than a collection of miscellaneous works with no visible connection to one another. This can be a useful exercise for emerging artists or artisans who are hoping to one day assemble sufficient work for a solo or duo show. It is also hoped that the requirements above will generate a body of work for the gallery that lends strong visual impact, variety and overall coherence to the exhibition.

General requirements:

Mediums: Works are accepted in all mediums other than electronic
Number of works: Minimum 3: Maximum 7
Size: 2D work - no longer than 14" on the longest side or plane (unframed)
3D work - no longer than 12" on the longest plane

How to apply: (Deadline for submission is Fri, Oct 28 4:00 P.M.)

Submission requirements and application form are available from the Maple Ridge Art Gallery website as follows:

[Application Form](#)

[Submission Requirements](#)

For further information, contact curator, Barbara Duncan at barbarad@mract.org or by telephone at 604-476-4240.



PLACE DES ARTS SEEKS ARTISTS FOR 2013 EXHIBITION SCHEDULE

Place des Arts is currently accepting proposals for its 2013 gallery exhibitions. Deadline for submissions is Friday, February 3, 2012.

Place des Arts offers 4 gallery spaces where local emerging artists and art groups may exhibit and sell their works. Artists living in British Columbia who are not represented by a professional gallery are considered local, emerging artists.

Place des Arts welcomes submissions in 2D and 3D media and techniques including fibre arts, pottery, sculpture, painting, photography, prints and drawings; we are not able to accommodate multimedia work at this time.

Place des Arts' galleries are open to the public 7 days a week and are a popular destination with local residents and visitors alike. Place des Arts regularly hosts over 60,000 visitors per year. The centre distributes exhibition invitation cards for display at over 20 arts and community centres in the Lower Mainland, and its galleries and gift shop are featured in guides such as *Van Dop*, *Galleries West* and *Preview*. A full promotional campaign is devoted to each exhibition series.

For full details and to download an exhibition proposal package, visit www.placedesarts.ca or call exhibitions programmer Michelle Chan at 604.664.1636 ext. 32 or mchan@placedesarts.ca

Place des Arts is an integrated arts centre that brings together art, culture and history. It is located in the community of Maillardville at 1120 Brunette Avenue, Coquitlam.

Report from the "World Pottery" show case:

The new Surrey Library opened Sept 6th, with their Grand Opening on Sept. 24th. It is an art piece in itself with fabulous open architecture and lots of light and space. All the dignitaries were there from the Federal, Provincial and Local political scene and the whole 4 floors of the building were a buzz with people and entertainment. Our show case of members collection of world pottery is on the 2nd floor, east side, next to the world language library. It is receiving good reviews, and will be on display for up to 1 year. Thank you so much to the 10 people who loaned their pieces for this display. *Pat Schendel*

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