



# Fraser Valley Potters Guild

March 2014

## Guest Presenter - Ying-Yueh Chuang



Ying-Yueh Chuang was born in Taiwan and came to Canada in the early 1990's. She received a diploma of Fine Arts from Langara College, Vancouver, a BFA from Emily Carr University of Art and Design, Vancouver, and a Masters degree in Ceramics from NSCAD University, Halifax. Following graduation she was a resident artist at Harbourfront Centre, Toronto for three years. She has taught ceramics at NSCAD University, Ontario College of Art and Design University, University of Regina and Sheridan College. She is currently teaching at Capilano University in North Vancouver, BC, Canada.

Ying-Yueh Chuang's work has been featured in many publications such as Art in America, Ceramic Review, Ceramics Art and Perception, Ceramic Monthly and others. Book publications include The Ceramic Spectrum and Making Marks: Discovering the Ceramic Surface by Robin Hopper, as well as several of the 500 Series by Lark Books. She was an invited speaker at the 2009 Australian Ceramics Triennale Conference in Sydney, Australia and has been invited to present workshops and lectures in China, Taiwan and throughout Canada.

She has exhibited locally, nationally and internationally in both juried and invitational exhibitions and has been the recipient of many grants and awards. She was the 2006 recipient of the Winifred Shantz National Emerging Artist Award for Ceramists, Canada. Her work is found in many public and private collections such as the Art Gallery of Nova Scotia, the Canada Council Art Bank, the Government of Ontario Art Collection, Burlington Art Centre, Ontario, Mackenzie Art Gallery, Saskatchewan, and the WOCEK Icheon World Ceramic Centre in Korea.





## Guild Information

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\$30 per person/year (\$40 per family,  
\$15 per Student) and 20 critters for Campbell  
Valley  
Or 5 beautiful bowls for the empty  
bowl sale.

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to meeting.

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(September to June)  
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Monday of the previous month.

## Feb. 13th meeting Minutes

Guest Presenter was Eliza Au with a slide presentation of her journey in clay and a short demo on decorating with texture and color on tiles.

March 1st - Cathi Jefferson demo workshop at Herman Venema's in Abbotsford. Hours 10-4:30pm Registration is full

March 8th & 9th - Salt firing at Herman's. Sat. will begin at 10am with decorating and glazing pots. Loading will take place in the afternoon and the kiln will be started so that it will reach temperature for salting mid afternoon on Sun. Participants welcome for that. Potluck lunch Sat. Bag lunch Sun.

May 8th to June 7th, Pat Schendel and Brandon Martin will present "Crystalline Porcelains" at Place des Arts in Coquitlam.

May 16th, 23rd and 30th they will give a crystalline hands on workshop on these Friday evenings. Registration will begin late in March, taking just 10 participants.

May 15th will be our AGM and we will have a guest as well.

June 2nd Jurying "Clay 2014" at the Centennial Hall in Queens Park, Arts Council of New West.next to the gallery. Herman Venema was voted in by members present at the meeting, and by email. He has graciously accepted. Work will be delivered from 10-12noon. Critique in the evening 7-10pm

June 3rd Set up the Show

June 8th Opening Reception and Award presentation 1-4pm

Many volunteers will be needed for various jobs on all 3 days. Lists to sign up will be available at meetings or call Pat.

We need images of single pots for our invite cards by end of March, which Sue Schellenberg has generously offered to do. Please send them to myself or her at [patschendel@shaw.ca](mailto:patschendel@shaw.ca) or [sueshell@shaw.ca](mailto:sueshell@shaw.ca)

There will be a 25% gift to the New West Art Council on sales, and we will take turns working the week-end

shifts. There is no insurance on our work.

We voted to include the Kwantlen ceramic students into our show in their own category. They would pay \$15 membership and half price (\$10) entry fee to try and stimulate interest. There would be a separate award for that category. Of course they would be full members for participating in other events through the year.

The Kwantlen Art Collective (students from various faculties of art) have a show on at Newton Cultural Centre on 72nd Ave. running until Feb. 27th. Nice work! You should all take it in.

July 12th, Jo Priestley will give a demo workshop on Naked Raku hopefully at Kwanten (still to be arranged)

July 26th will be a firing at her home in Mission.

We have a full class signed up, but you may add your name on the wait list in case of cancellations.

Refreshments for Mar. 13<sup>th</sup> meeting:

Danuta K, Diane P. and Karen B

Memberships are overdue now and Dorothy is updating our list for 2014 so that she can print them out and distribute them at the March meeting. To be included in our email notices and newsletter, please make sure you have paid your membership for the year Sept. 2013 to Sept. 2014. Memberships are \$30 for this time period, \$40 for couples or families and \$15 for students and can be mailed to Sara Zindler: 5990 Victoria Dr. Vancouver BC V5P-3X2

The North-West Ceramics Foundation is pleased to announce Gail Nichols as its featured speaker at a free public lecture Thursday, March 6, 2014, at 7:00 pm. The lecture is organized in cooperation with the Shadbolt Centre for the Arts and will be held in Room 103. The Shadbolt Centre is located at 6450 Deer Lake Avenue in Burnaby. All are welcome and encouraged to attend.

Gail Nichols is recognized internationally for her innovative approach to soda vapour glazing. Born in the USA in 1953, she completed a mechanical engineering degree at Michigan State University in 1976. She worked as a Peace Corps volunteer in Malaysia for two years before migrating to Australia, where she began her ceramic studies in Sydney. Through extensive research leading to completion of a PhD at Monash University in 2002, Nichols developed her unique vapour glaze aesthetic and technical approach to materials and firing. She makes vessels with soft organic forms and lush dimpled glazes that appear to ooze out of the clay itself. Her book, *Soda Clay and Fire*, published by the American Ceramic Society, is a leading text on soda vapour glazing.

#### **FVPG Meetings:**

**Ceramics Lab, Kwantlen Polytechnic University, Surrey Campus. Parking is \$5.00 (you will need your license plate #). Unless otherwise stated the meetings start at 7:15, the 2nd Thursday of the month.**