

September 2012

REFRESHMENTS  
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**Next meeting: Thursday, September 13, 7:15 p.m.**



Herman Venema is a potter and teacher who has had a studio in Abbotsford since 1971.

His first introductions to clay were in 1962 at the University of Michigan, and in 1963-1965 at UBC when Stan Clark was teaching pottery there.

After teaching high school Art and English for three years, he returned to graduate school at the University of Puget Sound, to study with Carlton Ball.

Carlton Ball's fondness for big pots and texture rubbed off on him, but the forms and decoration of Japanese potters like Shoji Hamada were his main inspiration.

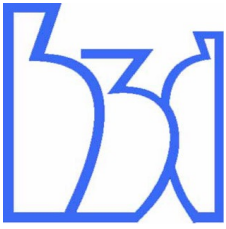
Most of his work is functional, but he makes fountains and critters like frogs and salamanders as well.



## 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.fraservalleypottersguild.ca](http://www.fraservalleypottersguild.ca)

President: Pat Schendel  
Vice President: David Lloyd  
Secretary: Linda Ward  
Treasurer: Cheryl Stapleton  
Auditor: Kay Bonathan

#### Juried Show:

Kay Bonathan, Pat Schendel, Laurel Vlieg

#### Membership: Sara Zindler

5990 Victoria Drive  
Vancouver, B.C. V5P 3X2

#### 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.

#### Guest Arrangements:

Carolyn MacLaren

#### Digital Photo Collection:

Linda Ward

#### Librarians:

Cynthia Segger, Karen Byle  
Books and videos are available prior to meetings.

#### Refreshment Coordinators:

Laurel Vlieg, Emma Bryce

#### Campbell Valley Organizer:

Pat Schendel, Heather Northrup  
(Children's Tent), Gail Simpson  
(Sales Tent)

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(September to June).  
The deadline for submissions is the  
third Monday of the previous month.

## From the President:

Greetings to everyone and I hope your summer has been relaxing and enjoyable.

We welcome back our five Directors: myself as President, Show Planner, and Fundraising Planner; David Lloyd as Vice Pres.; Linda Ward as Secretary and Digital Image collector; Cheryl Stapleton as Treasurer and Woodfire Planner; and Kay Bonathan as Auditor and Assistant Show Coordinator. Also, our many people that do wonderful work for us in the JOB category: Sara Zindler - Memberships; Deb Greenfield - Editor; Dorothy Warwicker - Distribution; Carolyn MacLaren - Guest Arranger and Webmaster; Laurel Vlieg - Refreshments, we welcome Emma Bryce to this job too, as Laurel and Diane Peterson take on Workshop Planning; Lucille Webster - Christmas Pottery Sale Planner. We want to thank Diane West for her past work as Librarian and welcome Cynthia Segger and Daren Byle for taking this job on. It takes many people to do all the things that keep the guild going, and we value each and every one of you. Thank you all!

**MEMBERSHIPS DUE AT SEPT. 13 MEETING:** We have to get back on track with pottery events now, so this serves as a reminder that our 1<sup>st</sup> meeting of our new year is Thurs. Sept. 13<sup>th</sup> at our usual meeting place in the Ceramics Room at Kwantlen, Surrey Campus, 7:15pm. Annual dues are due then, and Sara will be on hand to take your payment. Fees are \$30 single or \$40 for families, students \$15.

**POTS AND CRITTERS FOR CAMPBELL VALLEY FAIR:** As part of our membership, we are also obliged to make 20 little pots/ 10 big ones or 20 critters that have been coded and bisque fired - and hopefully waxed on the bottoms and labeled with masking tape as a claim check for pick-up by the owner post raku. During the summer, numerous Critter-making events took place, and I thank Jenny, Heather, Audrey, the Chilliwack girls and the Semiahmoo girls for all doing their part in hosting these events. If individuals still need a place to bisque theirs, I'd be happy to if you bring them by in the 1<sup>st</sup> week of Sept. Waiting for the meeting night is too late, as our Campbell Valley Fair is 2 days later. However pots that are ready and need to get to the Fair for Sat. can be brought to the meeting and we will see that they get there. I realize that some people just aren't able to make things and we welcome them as members just the same. Hopefully they find some other way to contribute to the guild through the year in that case. The funds we raise pay for our guest artists at each meeting throughout the year and that is one of the things that make our guild special.

**CAMPBELL VALLEY FAIR - RAKU FUNDRAISER - Work shifts for the various booths SEPT 15 and 16:** We need everyone's participation for this 2day Raku Fundraising event. Very few people have signed up yet as you can see from the Schedule, so please let me know ASAP which shift and job you'd like, so that I don't have to phone everyone. Most jobs need 2 people each for both shifts, so we need about 30-40 people/day. I love it when people can stay the whole day. Pat's ph: 604-594-0470 email: [patschendel@shaw.ca](mailto:patschendel@shaw.ca). Can someone make sandwiches for 40 people? for 1 or 2days. The guild pays the costs and supplies water. Members usually bring other fruit or goodies to share.

**POTTERY SALES BOOTH:** As part of the Fair, we also have a booth of our own finished Pottery for Sale. Gail Simpson looks after that for us, and we share the table space and costs, which usually allow each person a 1/2 table for about \$10 or \$12. Please contact her if interested. Sales are picking up each year we are there as people start looking for us. Ph: 604-530-9002 or email: [gesimpson@telus.net](mailto:gesimpson@telus.net) For this privilege of selling your work, you must put in 2 shifts either in the Raku area or Children's "Play with Clay" booth. Your work must be taken to the Fair for 5pm Fri. evening the 14th, and set up at that time ready for opening Sat. Please make arrangements with someone to take it for you if you can't be there. We don't do inventory sheets - unless you want one for yourself, but clearly mark each piece with a peelable sticker with the last 3 or 4 letters of your last name, and the price. It's a good idea to put an extra masking tape label on the bottom in case the one on the side of the pot peels off.

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CAMPBELL VALLEY FAIR			RAKU SCHEDULE	
DUTY	SATURDAY	Sept. 15th	SUNDAY	Sept. 16th
	8am-12:30	12:30-5pm	9am-1pm	1pm-5pm
COORDINATOR	Pat S	Pat S	Pat S	Pat S
KILN			Giovanna	Giovanna
TONGERS	David L	David L	Linda W	Linda W
SAND TRAYS			Ofra A	
DISTRIBUTION	Gary			Ofra A
GLAZE				
CLEANERS				
SELLERS			Sara Z Jacquelyn S	
CASHIER				Sara Z
CHILDREN'S TENT	Heather N	Heather N		
FRIDAY PREP 5pm	Dave & Pat			
SATURDAY PREP 8am	everyone			
SUNDAY TAKEDOWN 4pm - 6pm	everyone			
SANDWICHES & DRINKS				

Note: We are still short some positions. If you are able to help, please call Pat Schendel 604-594-0470. Many thanks.

Remember to bring rain gear, long sleeved shirts, pants, good footwear, a change of clothes, an umbrella. Remember - if you are prepared for the rain, it won't come. I have sunscreen if the sun decides to come out. ☺

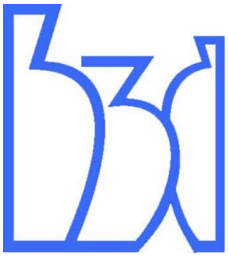
Also, bring goodies to share. Sandwiches, tea, coffee and water are provided by the guild.

#### POTTERY OF THE WORLD EXHIBIT - COMES DOWN AUG. 28

Members with work in this show at the new Surrey Library, should either be there to collect it on Tues. 10am, or make arrangements with me for pick-up another day. Otherwise I will plan to bring the work to the meeting Sept. 13th. It has been on display for one year, and has been gratefully appreciated by the public, the library and Surrey Arts Centre.

**CHRISTMAS POTTERY SALE - NOV. 3** - one day only. We are also planning for a Christmas Pottery Sale again this year at the Newton Cultural Centre, Surrey. We are beginning our advertising preparations thanks to Giovanna's husband, as they have to be ready for the Spotlight Magazine the beginning of Sept. Lucille Webster is heading up our committee and if interested in participating, please contact her at Ph: 604-597-8992 or email: [potterytreasures@gmail.com](mailto:potterytreasures@gmail.com) to reserve your spot. Costs will be similar to last year at about \$10 for 3ft table, \$15 for 1/2 an 8ft table, \$25 for a 6ft. table and \$30 for and 8ft. table - Plus \$5. each for advertising on top. Tables won't be assigned until we see how many enter and what their needs are, and then it will be by a draw of names for location on the floor. Everyone will be expected to help with the phone list, or take on some alternate job, and then help with the sales tables as well. We all look forward to this 2nd Annual Christmas Sale.





**Surrey Art Gallery** is offering a specialty course and workshop during our fall session. I hope you can include them in the September newsletter.

**SPECIALTY COURSES & WORKSHOPS for ADULTS – Fall**

Courses and workshops take place at Surrey Art Gallery, 13750 – 88 Avenue  
It's easy to register! 604-501-5100 | [www.surrey.ca/register](http://www.surrey.ca/register)

**Pottery - Open Studio**

For this non-instructional studio time, you must have taken at least one ceramics studio class at the Surrey Art Gallery, and feel comfortable working on your own. Our studio technician will be on hand to answer questions. Clay is available for purchase during Open Studio hours.

September 29, 10am–2pm | 6 sessions \$74.75 | #4302806

October 2, 10am–2pm | 8 sessions \$99.75 | #4301545

**Kiln Operations Workshop**

Learn all about electric kiln operations from the kiln manager at the Surrey Art Gallery. Topics include trigger adjustments, kiln loading, re-wiring, firing schedules, cones, troubleshooting, and safety.

*Instructor and full-time potter Murray Sanders has taught at the Surrey Art Gallery since 1992, and is also the ceramics studio technician. He holds diplomas in Fine Arts and Adult Education.*

December 2, 2:30–5pm | 1 session \$26.50 | #4299521

34th Annual Old Fashioned Fall Fair

# COUNTRY CELEBRATION

September 15 & 16  
10 am – 4 pm

**Campbell Valley Regional Park**  
Township of Langley

**FAMILY FRIENDLY EVENT!**

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\$3/person, \$2/child 7-12  
\$10/family or small group

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- seniors 65 & over  
- anyone in pioneer costume





**FOR SALE**

Olympic model 2527 large oval kiln in good condition. Cone sitter. Requires 50 amp breaker. Comes with 3 rectangular center shelves and some posts but no half rounds. Includes large assortment of bulk clays, feldspars, whiting and other glaze materials; also an assortment of labeled cone 10 glazes. \$800 Abbotsford area. phone(604) 856-4755.

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