

# HANDS IN CLAY

**OCTOBER 2003**

## **NEXT GENERAL MEETINGS**

Our meetings are (usually) held at the Nepean Sportsplex at 1701 Woodroffe Avenue.

**November 5 Wednesday**, at the  
Gladstone Clayworks Co-operative  
**December 5 Friday**,  
at NVAC Program to be announced

## **SOMETHING TO REMEMBER**

The **NOVEMBER** Guild Meeting  
will be on Wednesday 5 at

**Gladstone Clayworks Co-operative**  
949B Gladstone Ave, Ottawa.

## **FROM CHANDLER**

Greetings everyone!

I want to thank Maria Gomez again for her interesting presentation at our October meeting. It was amazing for me to see how a web site could be used to describe an artist's life and work so brilliantly. Now I am waiting to see large slide images of Maria's beautiful paintings, sculptures and drawings when her container arrives from Colombia. Perhaps she will arrange a slide show for those of us who want to see more of her work!!

Thanks also to those who are trying out getting the newsletter by email. I know the most important reason for me to receive it in this format is because I am a chronic important-paper-looser. I HATE PAPERS!! I store my newsletter in my computer and the info is always where I need it. Also I can't help but dream about what we could do with the \$\$ that we could save (not to mention the time required to print out, stuff envelopes, address envelopes, buy stamps and mail) if more news

letters went by email. Ask Rosario for help if you want to change but are unsure of the process.

We are really looking forward to holding our next meeting Nov. 5th at the new Gladstone Clayworks Pottery Studio. It is a great space and it's very inspiring to see a group studio up and running in Ottawa again.

Congratulations Potters.

Please try to bring a fold up chair with you and a mug. There are a few chairs there and we will import a few more for the evening but do try to bring one.

See you at G.C.W. on Nov. 5th!

Cheers from Chandler

**FROM OUR LIBRARY, LINDA TAYLOR :**

Just a reminder that we will be having a special 'Library Night' on Tuesday November 18th from 7 pm - 9 pm at the Sportsplex. The library cabinets will be in 'Studio 2', the room immediately on your right as you enter the NVAC. This is to allow people access to the Library since the November Guild meeting will be at The Gladstone Clayworks Co-operative. If people only wish to return books, then they have the option of returning them at the Co-op on November 5th or at the Library Night. If anyone has any questions or requests, please don't hesitate to ask. Hope to see you at the Co-op and at the Library Night!

Cheers, [Linda Taylor, Librarian](#)  
[email: dopottery@yahoo.ca](mailto:dopottery@yahoo.ca) phone: 256-7764

**NEXT NEWSLETTER**

Contact Rosario Umana with information for the Newsletter.

**Deadline for our next Newsletter is one week after our meeting, or November 12th, 2003.**

Please email to  
[Newsletter@ottawaguildofpotters.ca](mailto:Newsletter@ottawaguildofpotters.ca)

Or call me:

Ph. Fax. (613) 599-5185

Guild Phone (613) 230-2446

Our website:

[www.ottawaguildofpotters.ca](http://www.ottawaguildofpotters.ca)

**A NOTE FROM THE EDITOR**

Hello, dear Potters, Thank you for your comments on our Newsletter. Yes, I am trying to do a good work, to continue the good tradition of the previous potters. Gord has given me invaluable support. Some comments on the Internet Newsletter: If you wish to print it, you don't have to print it all or print colors. Only the pages you wish and tell the printer to do it in black only. Or you copy-paste the WHOLE Newsletter to a Word document and delete all you do not wish to keep. In this October issue I am scanning our Guild's "Christmas Pottery Sale" flier so you may email it to your friends, photocopy it (black and white or color) and post at work, etc. The Internet Newsletter is easy to find, easy to keep, easy to check back issues.

HAPPY THANKSGIVING MONTH, Rosario.

**NEXT MEETING PROGRAM**

On Wednesday November 5th, our Guild is playing host to **Dan and Nisha Ferguson**, the husband and wife team who create beautiful sculptural forms together. Dan is the sculpture and mold maker. His figures and animals are fashioned in clay and reproduced using complex plaster-piece molds that rival those created by the masters of yesteryear. Nisha is the painter and designer. Her drawings of animals and people have brilliant colors and rich patina. They will be in town to give a presentation at the University of Ottawa on November 5, but agreed to also give a presentation to our Guild.

Our November meeting will be a joint effort with the Co-op to enjoy Dan and Nisha's visit. **Gladstone Clayworks Co-operative** at 949B Gladstone Ave. [www.gladstoneclayworks.com](http://www.gladstoneclayworks.com)

## WHO'S WHO

<i>President</i>	Chandler Swain	<i>Vice President</i>	Lisa-Marie Serafin
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<i>Website Manager</i>	Bruce Jones		Lucie Rossignal
<i>Members' Album and Mentors Project</i>	Cathy Paine		Carolynne Pynn-Trudeau

## ART EXHIBITIONS

Karsh-Masson Gallery, Susan Low Beer's two series, "Rocksbreath" and "Tools for Daily Living" .  
136 St. Patrick Street. September to November 2

**Museum of Civilization, Gatineau,** An exhibition of Walter Ostrom of his work is on for the next year. He was the winner of the \$25,000 Saiyde Bronfrom Award for Excellence in Craft this year. . It is a beautiful show and very inspiring and a must-see for all potters!!

**L'Imagier Gallery** in Aylmer until Nov. 9th, Jennifer Ryder-Jones has a show on at . The show is called Sanctuary. It is an installation of paper clay and encaustic forms. The gallery is open 1-5 daily except Monday. 9 rue Front, Aylmer, 819 684 1445. This show is very powerful. The use of natural mixed media elements in combination with the paper clay will be very interesting for those exploring processes in clay and mixed media.



## GUILD EVENTS

### Guild Workshops

Call me to register  
724-4877  
Gina Marin

#### Tray-Chic with Lynda Northey and Julien Couture

Saturday November 1st, 10:30 am to 4:00 pm

3269 Greenland Drive, Dunrobin

They will share all... about trays.

Held at Lynda's studio.

Bring your lunch.

#### Glaze Basics with Anne Chambers

Sunday December 7th, 1:00-4:00 pm

42 Framingham Crescent, Nepean

Anne Chambers will talk about the fundamentals of glaze making. Learn what makes a good base glaze - matt, shiny, majolica-. Some glazes will be made during the workshop.

#### Firing Workshop with Chandler Swain

Sun. Oct 26 12:30- 3:30 at the Nepean Visual Art Centre

\$20/person

Best Bisque Firings Ever !!!

HOW TO LOAD A KILN!! How do kilns work?

What happens to clay and glazes in a kiln?

Glazes for different effects. What about different temperature firings?

How to operate and do simple troubleshooting and maintenance.

Chandler Swain has been a potter for 30 years and has been working as a technician and teacher for most of that time. These workshops are geared to be fun, simple to understand and to clarify misconceptions about glazing and firing. For potters of all levels especially those

hoping to start their own studios.

Please call 256-6522 to register.

For those of you who registered last year in **Building a Gas Kiln** with Anne Cresky and **Large Coil Pots** with Allison Usher... they will still be taking place and are soon to be scheduled.

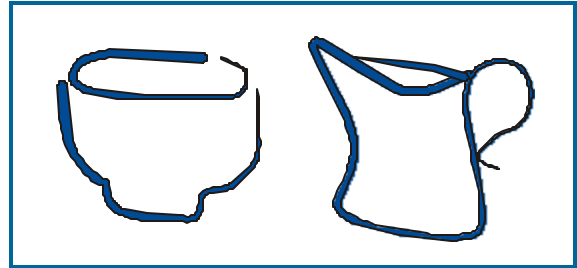
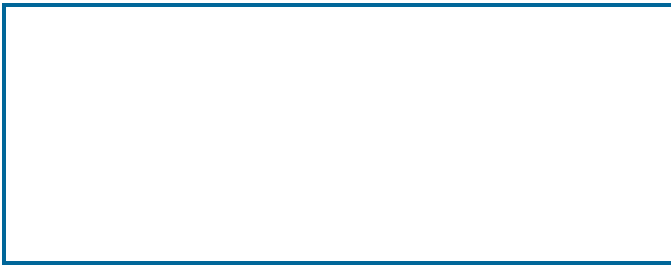
I'll call all of you individually to let you know as soon as I do.

And don't forget... if you would like a workshop from a particular member, or on a particular subject, please let me know.

Thanks! [Gina](#)

There is a woman named Lynne in the Sandy Hill area looking for a pottery teacher. I sent her info from the guild website and directed her to Joyce (guild phone keeper) as well so she might find someone to teach her, however if you are keen on getting a new student, you might want to contact her personally. Her e-mail address is [lynne.ladouceur@hrdc-drhc.gc.ca](mailto:lynne.ladouceur@hrdc-drhc.gc.ca)

All the Best, Lisa-Marie



## CHRISTMAS SALE UPDATE 2003

This Christmas Sale will have the largest number of participants in OGP's history. To accommodate everyone who has been accepted, we are changing a number of aspects of the sale. This year we will be using the stage for potters to display their work. The Back Room will be in the Cloak Room. Potters with wall displays will come out into the room a total of three (3) feet. Storage will be available on the stage, in the cloak Room, the trunk of your car or bring in work from home daily.

We would like 6—8 potters to volunteer to display their work in the stage. We plan to decorate the apron of the stage and integrate the stage into the whole room. If we do not get enough volunteers to exhibit on the stage we will have a lottery and designate space accordingly. Potters are reminded that October 15th is the withdrawal date, to be eligible for a full refund.

Carolyn, Klara, Veronika

Sale Committee

## A NOTE FROM MARIA GOMEZ,

Hello friends from the Guild: I want to say a big "Thank you" for listening to my talk last 7th of October. It was a challenging experience to talk about my work in front of you. As it usually happens, later I thought of other things I would have liked to say. However, as a newcomer the presentation was a good beginning to keep me working in Canada. As I promised, this is my web page: [www.mariagomezu.com](http://www.mariagomezu.com) My email [mariagomez@post.com](mailto:mariagomez@post.com) See you soon! Maria Gomez U.

## CLASSIFIED ADS

Triple beam Balance Scale for sale, \$250 (perfect condition) Call Jen, 256 8373

**"I am looking for a used Estrin wheel in *good to excellent* condition".  
Please be in touch with Susan Gold at 722-5061,  
or email, [bsrcgold@sympatico.ca](mailto:bsrcgold@sympatico.ca)".**

Now that the Guild Library has two beautiful new cabinets, the old library cabinets are up for sale! The Guild is asking for \$25 for each cabinet. They are currently stored in my garage in Almonte, the buyer must make arrangements for transportation.

For more information, please call Linda Taylor at 256-7764 or email at [dopottery@yahoo.ca](mailto:dopottery@yahoo.ca).

### **OUR FLYERS FOR THE CHRISTMAS POTTERY SALE.**

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SAGE) TO YOUR FRIENDS  
AND EMAIL LISTS.  
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WHEREVER!**

**GOOD LUCK WITH THE CAM-  
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The Ottawa Guild of Potters

## **Christmas Pottery Sale**

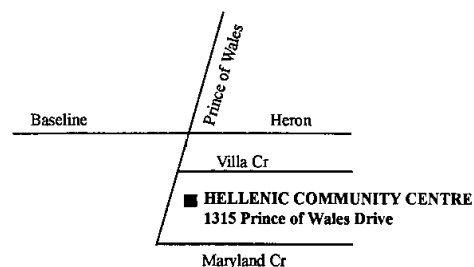


November 13, 14, 15 and 16, 2003

Thursday 4pm to 10pm  
Friday 10am to 10pm

Saturday 10 am to 6pm  
Sunday 10am to 5 pm

The Hellenic Community Centre




Spring Sale: April 22 - 25, 2004



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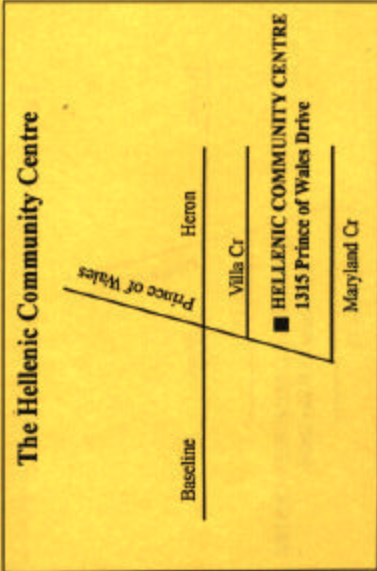
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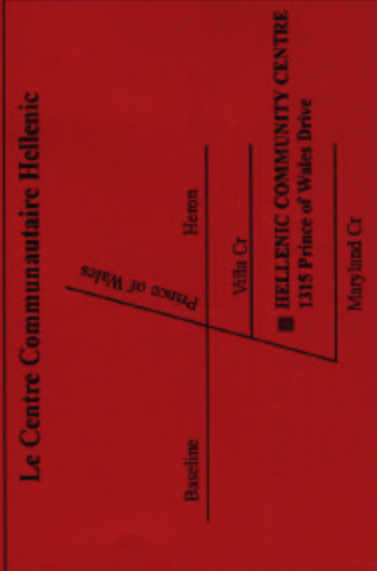
# Vente de Poterie de Noël



**Le 13, 14, 15 et 16 novembre, 2003**

jeudi 16:00 a 22:00  
 vendredi 10:00 a 22:00  
 samedi 10:00 a 18:00  
 dimanche 10:00 a 17:00

**Le Centre Communautaire Hellenic**



Vente de printemps le 22-25 avril 2004

We supported The Guatemala Stove Project last year; if you wish further information, please contact **Ali Ross or Tom Clarke** at RR 4, Perth, Ontario K7H 3C6, Tel (613) 267-1673 or (613) 267-5202 email [info@guatemalastoveproject.org](mailto:info@guatemalastoveproject.org)

*THANK YOU*

## **The Ottawa Guild of Potters**

*For your generous donation of this masonry cookstove which  
will add 10 to 15 years to the life of each member of the  
family of*

**Cruza Romero Escobar Euleterio Diaz Mendez**

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*The Guatemala Stove Project*

