

November 2006

HANDS IN CLAY

Ottawa Guild of Potters Newsletter

Guild Meeting Program

September 2006-May 2007

Thursday September 7

Friday October 13

Monday November 6

Friday December 1st *Christmas Party!

Monday January 8

Friday February 23

Tuesday April 23

General Meetings are from 7:30 to 9:30 pm at the Nepean Visual Arts Center; Nepean Sportsplex, 1701 Woodroffe Drive, (south of Hunt Club Rd.)

Executive Meetings are from 6:00-7:30 pm and are open to the public.



December 1 st

CHRISTMAS PARTY POTLUCK!

*Please bring your favourite finger food & or beverage to share!

Library

Before each monthly meeting, the Library is open from 6:30 until 7:30.

If there is a book or video that are you are looking for, let us know. It will be considered when we purchase new material. If an item is out on loan, we can reserve it for you.

Your input is appreciated.

Linda Taylor

Librarian

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Who's Who ***In the Ottawa Guild of Potters***

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Secretary - Helen Stone



A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Now that I am officially retired, I have so much more time to explore! I discovered Vicky Salinas' home town is CHICAGO! There, I attended the thirteenth annual International Exposition of Sculpture Objects and Functional Art, *SOFA CHICAGO 2006*.

Very impressive! There was a lot of glasswork, clay, wood, textile, just to name a few; pieces from all over the world! Very few objects under \$1000! I did manage to talk to Paula Murray who was there presenting her latest work, *Just fabulous!! (See Ceramic Monthly, May 2006)*.

I Brought back a lot of info to share with you...That city seems to be booming! The Millenium Park is incredible and the Mag Mile is simply...*Magnifique!*

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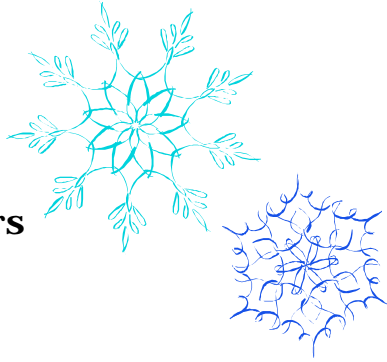
If you missed our last meeting you missed a fantastic brainstorming session! Our aim was to come up with some unique ideas, try to imagine what could be done to celebrate our 30th anniversary. If you have any ideas or a project that you wish to realize and would like to share your input, please let us know!

Results of brainstorming session of November 6, 2006.

- Festival- Summer: Jazz fest/Outdoor/City Hall Plaza
- Symposium- Museum/ Ron Roy
- Potters In Gardens – Hook up with garden societies
- City Hall
- Banquet
- Weekend Retreat / Tim Horton's
- Exhibition/ Art Court
- Aprons / T shirts
- Naked Potters Calendar :D
- Catherine Brewster's House Project
- Special OGP 30th Anniversary Logo
- Start a Foundation
- 1001 Pots –Like exhibition
- Video Project- Document members of the guild
- Outreach to schools
- Bus Trip
- Potters Ball /Theme?
- Mud bath / Mud wrestling 'match'
- Rosario's mural idea
- Event to celebrate our founding members
- A 'REAL' Building for us!
- Raku- A special firing 'party'
- Mugs with Guild Logo
- Clay Olympics w/fun categories
- Start a Potter Exchange...provincially to start.



UP & COMING...



Ottawa Guild of Potters
Christmas Party
December 1, 2006
Nepean Visual Arts Centre

It's that time of year again-our annual Guild Christmas Party which is being held following our regular monthly meeting on December 1st, 7:30 at NVAC! This is our night to gab with friends we seldom see, make new ones, and to exchange our gifts with each other at our Vessel Exchange. If you are bringing an item for the exchange, please be sure it is wrapped (making this an unpredictable activity!), and leave it with the others on the gift exchange table. Then take a numbered ticket so that you can go back later and choose a gift brought by another Guild member. Good friends, good food (remember to bring a little something with you to add to our table of goodies), and a chance to enjoy the spirit of the season with your fellow potters.

All the best of the holiday season to you & yours!

Great Bowls of Fire Exhibition

To make this a fun, exciting event we encourage everyone to submit at least one bowl to the exhibition. They do not have to be for sale although as a fund raiser we encourage you to think about selling the bowls. The selling price will be split 50/50 between the Food Bank and the potter.

Bowls should be dropped off at the NVAC Heritage Room beginning at 6pm on January 8th. If you can't make it to the January guild meeting bowls can be dropped off at Anne Chambers' house anytime before the 8th, call 613-823-6826 or have a friend bring them to the January meeting for you listing what category and price.

Application forms stating the category and price etc. will be at the drop off site. Everyone attending the January meeting will have the opportunity to vote with recognition awarded for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place in each of the 10 categories. Certificates will be presented to award winners in February. You may enter one bowl in each category. We have an M.C.

Derick Fage from Roger's for the Great Bowls of Fire event in February, adding to the festive atmosphere. The more bowls we have for each category the more exciting the auction and the evening as a whole so we encourage you to enter as many categories as you can with various bowls.

As a reminder here are the categories once again for the Exhibition:

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| 1. Dessert bowl | 6. Mixing Bowl |
| 2. Rice bowl | 7. Handbuilt Bowl |
| 3. Tea Bowl | 8. Non-Functional Bowl |
| 4. Fruit/Salad Bowl | 9. Best decorated Bowl |
| 5. Nesting Bowls | 10. Soup Tureen |

**4th Annual Holiday Sale
Poterie du Lac la Blanche
Saturday, Dec. 2 and Sunday, Dec. 3
11:00 a.m.- 5:00 p.m.**

Poterie du Lac la Blanche is located at 110 chemin Giroux in Mayo.
We invite you to come and enjoy an afternoon of art, peace, and beauty.

Our Holiday and Spring Sale are two regular events at Poterie du Lac la Blanche.
If you can't make it to this event, we'd like you to know that
The Poterie is open year round by appointment
by calling (819) 281 - 3307.

Whether it's a wheel turned piece or one built entirely by hand
there's something special about pottery that you can use everyday,
or just on special occasions to serve your gourmet delights.
You'll find Christmas decorations and gifts for the pottery lovers on your list.
I make mugs, pitchers, lidded casseroles, teapots, bowls of all sizes, plates, platters,
tea bowls, goblets, jars, vases and jewellery!
Orders for Dinnerware and Sushi sets accepted.
Refreshments to be served.
Cash, cheques and PayPal* gladly accepted.
**you must already have working PayPal account*
For directions please visit <http://lablanchepoterie.com>

Thanks for your support



In Honor of Catherine Brewster

Sometimes, life's journey brings us to a place where we must make decisions sooner than we expect. Catherine Brewster, a longtime member of our Guild, has had to make some of those decisions. In the fall, Catherine asked that three of her treasured pieces be given away to Guild members at a monthly Guild meeting by way of a draw. With heartfelt respect we will honor her wish, beginning with the first piece in January and the other two at the February and April meetings. The pieces (pictured here) are by Kinya Ishikawa of Val David (tea bowls) & Audrey Killoran of Montreal.



Catherine moved into the Maycourt Hospice at the beginning of November where she began receiving palliative care. We will all keep her and her family in our thoughts and prayers as she travels through this last part of her life's journey.

*Message for our members that were in the sale...

I have a number of items that were left behind at the Hellenic center.
Please call Louise at 232-1010.



Classifieds

Wanted:

Potters willing to sell on consignment to a new Gallery in Arnprior.
Please contact Louise Boucher, 613-622-5706 if you are interested. This Gallery is on
the main street above a popular tea room, bookstore, and art supply store.

For Sale:

-7 cu. ft. kiln \$100. Good for Raku. Call Rita 613 267-5202

-Oval kiln for sale, fits a 21 in. size shelves, it fires very well .
I would like \$350.00, not including any furniture.
Call Louise at 232-1010.

-Shimpo RK2 electric wheel, 28 years of experience, works very well.
Asking \$650.00
Contact Lucie Rossignol at 819 827-9471

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