



Volume 3



Celebrating 30 years!

Wishing You All Peace & Happiness for the Holiday Season!

Message from the President

As I write this, the Guild Sale is still in the future, though when you receive it the Sale will be well over. I want to express my thanks and the thanks of the Guild to those who have spent so many hours pulling the sale together. Thanks first and foremost go to our Sale Committee, Debbie Gilmer, Lis Allison, Lynda Soper, Pat Jessop, Ros Alchin, and Colette Beardall. These ladies have listened to numerous ideas regarding advertising the sale and have taken action on a number of the ideas. I look forward to hearing how the new ventures paid off! Recognition must also go to Robert Way who produced our beautiful poster, counter cards, t-shirts and aprons. What a great keepsake they all are! Hats off also to Julien Couture who pursued the idea that working wheel at the sale would help customers become more aware of what goes into our work. And last, but not least, to all of the potters who took part in the sale, congratulations and appreciation to all of you for representing yourselves and the Guild so well. I know the level of work we have is ever increasing as we all learn from each other. We have much to be proud of. Excellent work one and all! Please mark Tuesday December 4th on your calendar as that is going to be our annual Christmas Party! It will also be the day we celebrate the Clay Olympics and make a toast to 30 years of the Guild. The details are further along in the Newsletter. To all who are working towards shows and on special projects for customers, friends and loved ones, good luck! See you on December 4th!

~Kirstin



Ottawa Guild of Potters Christmas Party December 4, 2007

Our annual Guild Christmas Party will be held on December 4th at 7:30 during our regular monthly meeting! This is our night to grab with friends we seldom see, make new ones, and to exchange gifts with each other at our Vessel Exchange! If you are bringing an item for the exchange, please be sure it is wrapped (but not labelled) and leave it with the others on the gift exchange table. We'll announce the time when you can go back and choose a gift brought by another Guild member. We will also be celebrating the Guild's Clay Olympics with a slide show and a medal ceremony celebrating all of our participants! The food for the party is potluck so please bring along your favourite appetizer, dessert or small entree and include an ingredients list for those with severe food allergies.

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

~ *Kirstin Davidson*

During our November Meeting we had an extraordinary talk and photo show of beautiful functional, modern and stylish work by Koen De Winter, who owns and has a production pottery in Quebec: HippoDESIGN Inc. & ATELIER ORANGE in Saint-André-Avelin, PQ

It was a good and inspiring evening! You may contact him to arrange a visit to see his Atelier and work. His web site:

http://www.designaddict.com/design_index/index.cfm/fuseaction/producer_show_one/PRODUCER_ID/363/



OGP Clay Olympics – A Guild 30th Anniversary Event

The venue: Colette Beardall's home. The reason: to celebrate the 30th year of the incorporation of the Guild. The weather: priceless!

An intrepid group of 14 potters gathered in Metcalfe on Sunday, October

21st with 15 boxes of clay weighed out into 5lb, 3lb and 1/2lb balls, and with 6 competitive categories before us. Divided into 3 teams, The Twisted Potters, The Muddy Mudskippers and the Mud-slinging Optimists, we all set to work to reach "Higher, Faster, Stronger"! To level the playing field the clay weights and times were standardized. Strategy came into play, particularly when we knew we had to build a free-standing tower of balls or one continuous coil using 5lb of clay. What made these particular categories even more challenging was having to pick the tower and the coil up once we were finished. Talk about holding your breath! Some outstanding records were set at these first ever Guild Clay Olympics. See if you can beat them!

Tallest Ball Tower, 5lbs, 10 minutes: 58cm

Longest Coil, 5lbs, 15 minutes: 441cm

Longest Pulled Handle, 3lbs, 15 minutes: 154cm

Tallest Thrown Pot, 5lbs, 15 minutes: 42cm

Widest Thrown Pot, 5lbs, 15 minutes: 48cm

Smallest Thrown Pot, diameter, off the hump of 1/2lb, 10 minutes: 3mm

The day was wrapped up with a delicious potluck supper, complete with a roaring fire under the stars. A tired but excited group of potters awaited the results and in the end the Mud-Slinging Optimists garnered the Gold! A new Guild member, Iben Vedel, won the Highest Individual Score of 723.5 points! Congratulations to all the competitors!



Our thanks go out to Tuckers for donating all of the clay for our competitive events, Capital Pottery for donating clay for Great Bowls, to Robert Way at The SAM Group for making commemorative shirts, and to Colette Beardall for making the Raku medallions and for hosting the Olympics at her home in Metcalfe.

A great time was had by all!

Event Supported by Tucker's Pottery

Note from Newsletter Editor

Amy has asked me to give her a hand with the November and December Newsletters while she finishes renovation work. Hope to remember how to do it!!!

I have made photos during the Sale and some are here in the Newsletter. Sorry for not giving potter's name in each. This is just for you to enjoy...

The collection photos of potters' work at the November Sale is at

<http://share.shutterfly.com/action/welcome?sid=0AcsWbFs4atmLlo&emid=sharshar&linkid=link4>

Meanwhile, please send all newsletter submissions as usual, by deadline date to: newsletter@ottawaguildofpotters.ca

~ Rosario Umaña

Amy says: I'll be back! J

Deadline for December Newsletter is December 10th

From Art Petch: AltogetherOTTAWA

SmartCapital - Building the World's Most Connected City

I have found a City of Ottawa sponsored web application that helps people connect with one another. I think that it would be a great tool for local potters to use to share whatever they want with one another. I offer lots of options for communicating on your own terms and desired level of participation.

I am starting to invite people to join the forum and am beginning with just a few who I think might best appreciate the value of this tool and who know other potters that would be also interested in communicating ideas and interests.

Please take a look, join, and look around the site and invite people you would like to join. I have put up a few things while exploring how things work. Please feel free to do the same.

Please join us at: Ottawa Pottery Talk

To join go to:

http://ato.smartcapital.ca/ottawapotterytalk?invitation_key=899-1164AED6CC8

Next, press the "Join" button to apply for membership. As a member, you will be permitted to login and participate in the community. If the link provided cannot be clicked, simply cut and paste it into the address bar of your browser (include all parts if the address is split over multiple lines).

This invitation allows you to join a community designed to facilitate collaboration among a group while minimizing e-mails to your inbox.

This invitation was sent to you by: Arthur Petch



Photos during the Sale... you may see more more at

<http://share.shutterfly.com/action/welcome?sid=0AcsWbFs4atmLlo&emid=sharshar&linkid=link4>

UPCOMING WORKSHOPS

Carol-Ann Michaelson Hand Building Workshop

Where: Nepean Visual Art Centre, Studio 3, Ottawa

When: January 12, 13, 2008

Time: 9:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Cost: \$60 Ottawa Guild members

\$75 non-members

For more details, please read October's newsletter.

To register:

Please make cheques out to: Ottawa Guild of Potters and mail to:

Carol Badenoch

66 Nestow Drive,

Ottawa, K2G 4L8

For information, phone Carol at 613-225-6641

or email carolbadenoch@sympatico.ca



UPCOMING EVENTS

From Art Petch: "Upcoming Ottawa Area Pottery Events"

Listed below are upcoming events posted on OttawaPottery.com as of November 8, 2007 To find out more about one click on the name (be sure you are on-line) and when the OttawaPottery Calendar appears click on the event in the calendar.

GO TO: (paste in address bar) <http://ottawapottery.com/0/1/index.cfm?dayid=0>

From Sarah Hand: **Great Bowls of Fire**

POTTERS DONATING BOWLS + RESTAURANTS DONATING SOUP = \$ FOR THE FOOD BANK

Hello Everyone, It's getting to be that time of year again. For those that don't know the history of this event, here is a very short explanation. Guild members donate soup bowls and/or large bowls for centerpieces. We have local restaurants that participate by donating soup and this year a new addition to our line up, Artisan Bakeries will be donating bread. The public then purchases tickets for the event for \$25.00 and come out to enjoy an evening. They get a bowl, plus soup plus entertainment for the price of the ticket. We have a wonderful live band and the hosts of Rogers Daytime along as M.C.'s for the evening. The centerpieces and any extra soup bowls are then sold at the end of the evening. We have an exhibition which is held in conjunction with our December meeting. Participating potters enter their bowls and are awarded 1st, 2nd and 3rd place. The first place bowls are auctioned off by way of a live auction at the Great Bowls event and the second and third place pieces are put into a silent auction, with proceeds then split between the potter and the food bank. This year the event will be held on February 9, 2008 from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. at the Glebe Community Center.

At this time, we would like to encourage people to make soup bowls that will hold at least a cup of soup. This is a great way to get your name out into the public, so make sure that the bowls you donate are ones you are proud of. Colette and I have also had a meeting with the Food Bank and have found out some information we would like to pass on to you. The first Question involved acquiring tax receipts from the Food Bank for donated bowls. The answer is simple: If potters would like to get two independent appraisals for the donated bowls the Food Bank would be happy to issue a Tax receipt for an average price of the two appraisals. This could be done as a group or on an individual basis. The second question involved charging PST. We were told that the Food Bank has never charged PST on anything donated for a charity event on their behalf. Because they are audited by chartered accountants and they are responsible for the food banks books we feel we can be pretty safe in not charging PST on the bowls for Great Bowls of Fire. If anyone would like to volunteer before the event or during the evening please see me or Colette Beardall. We will keep you up to date on the status of bowls as time goes on. Thanks for all your continued help and support!

~Sarah Hand

Great Bowls of Fire *a reminder from Anne Chambers:*

During this busy craft show season remember to make a few bowls for the “Great Bowls of Fire Exhibition”. At the December guild meeting the members will be voting on the Great Bowls of Fire exhibition pieces.

Plan on setting aside a few of your special bowls for the Exhibition and bring them to the December meeting. If your bowl is a “stand out” it could be used as a sample of what the public will be able to purchase in February.

Colette and Sarah will be on the A Channel in January with your bowls as part of a promo for the Great Bowls of Fire event.

Here's a refresher of the categories:

1. Wheel thrown
2. Hand built bowl
3. Non-functional
4. Best decorated
5. Best soup bowl



CALL TO ARTISTS - DEADLINE NOVEMBER 30, 2007: HANDS ON CLAY

Hands-on History

The Archives of Ontario, the premier source of Ontario's documentary heritage, has joined forces with the Gardiner Museum, Canada's pre-eminent ceramic museum, for an innovative and exciting project.

Influenced and inspired by the holdings of the Archives of Ontario and archival collections across the province, this project will result in the creation of significant ceramic art that will promote and showcase Ontario's ceramic artists and portray the culture and heritage of the province.

Eight original ceramic tiles will be purchased by the Government of Ontario Art Collection from eight individual Ontario artists. The tiles will be installed at an indoor location in the new Archives of Ontario Public Service Facility slated to open in 2009. Prior to their installation, the tiles will be launched and displayed at a reception held at the Gardiner Museum in Toronto on Tuesday, November 4, 2008.

<http://www.archives.gov.on.ca/english/about/gardiner.htm>

<http://www.archives.gov.on.ca/french/about/gardiner.htm>

ENTRY FORM

To download this document in pdf. format click on the link

<http://www.archives.gov.on.ca/english/about/pdf/gardiner-art-project-call-for-entry.pdf>

To download the entry form in pdf format, click on the link.

<http://www.archives.gov.on.ca/english/about/pdf/gardiner-art-project-entry-form.pdf>

SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

Ontario based professional artists are invited to submit:

A concept statement that clearly indicates the relationship of the proposed artwork to the archival records on which it will be based. Artists may consult the web site of the Archives of Ontario or the myriad of local, heritage and other archival institutions throughout the province. To access the Archives of Ontario's web site and for a listing of Ontario's archival institutions visit:

<http://www.archives.gov.on.ca>

<http://aao.fis.utoronto.ca/Directory/DAIO.html>

Four recent examples of your work in either slide or digital format (on CD-ROM). Please submit all images on slides OR CD, not both. A self-addressed stamped envelope is required for the return of all graphic material.

A copy your c.v., including all contact information.

Please mail your entry to:

The Curator Government of Ontario Art Collection
Archives of Ontario 77 Grenville Street, 3rd Floor Toronto ON M5S 1B3

Entries must be received by: Friday, November 30, 2007.

Note: please do not contact the Archives of Ontario or the Gardiner Museum to determine the status of your submission. We will notify you as soon as a final decision has been reached.

ACCEPTED WORKS

A maximum of eight works will receive purchase awards of \$2,000 (inclusive of CARFAC fees) and will become part of the Government of Ontario Art Collection. The Archives of Ontario and the Gardiner Museum reserve the right to reproduce all accepted work for educational and publicity purposes.

MORE INFORMATION: contact Gillian Reddyhoff at: Telephone: (416) 327-2808 Email: gillian.reddyhoff@ontario.ca

Anniversary aprons & T-shirts

This is our second order and will proceed if there is enough interest

Ottawa Guild of Potters 30 Years!




CLOTHING ORDER FORM

Deadline for orders is to be received by December 4. latest

PAYMENT: Full payment must accompany order. (Taxes are included in prices)

You may pay in person at the December meeting or mail cheque and order form to:
Robert Way 1227 Fairgreen Ave. K4B 1N2

Please make cheques payable to **Ottawa Guild of Potters**

<p>Gildan T-Shirt 100% cotton printed</p> <p>Adult small <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Adult medium <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Adult large <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Adult Xlarge <input type="checkbox"/> \$12.00</p> <hr style="width: 50%; margin: 5px auto;"/> <p>Adult XXL <input type="checkbox"/> \$15.00</p> <div style="text-align: center;">  </div> <p>Colour choice:</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Natural</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Black</p> <p><input style="width: 50px; height: 20px;" type="text"/></p> <p>total cost for this box</p>	<p>Bib Apron printed</p> <p>with 2 pockets & pencil slot</p> <p>Colour choice:</p> <p><input type="radio"/> white</p> <p><input type="radio"/> black</p> <div style="text-align: center;">  </div> <p>\$15.00</p> <p><input style="width: 50px; height: 20px;" type="text"/></p> <p>total cost for this box</p>	<p style="font-size: small; text-align: center;">THE OTTAWA GUILD OF POTTERS LA GUILDE DES POTIERS D'OTTAWA</p> <div style="text-align: center;">  </div> <p style="text-align: center;">design to be printed where X is marked</p>
<p>Name: E-mail address: Phone:</p> <p>TOTAL NUMBER OF ITEMS ORDERED Total: \$</p>		

Hello Potters

If there is enough interest in a second order for the anniversary T-shirts and aprons we can have them produced. Basically we need a minimum of 12 items to do a second printing. Please use the attached form. Bring it to the December meeting with your payment or mail it to me. Make cheques payable to Ottawa Guild of Potters. You may call me if you have any questions.

Robert Way phone: Home 835-9981 Work 727-0446

WINTER ART & POTTERY SALE

Get a jump start on your Christmas shopping! Take time to wand through two different venues and see artwork of over five arts organizations and 140 local artists. Nepean Sports Plex, 1701 Woodroffe Ave, Nepean Information 613-580-2828 ext 3



Nov 24, 2007, 10:00 AM to Nov 25, 2007 17:00

An invitation to a fabulous complicity of
Brush and Clay 2007



Ann Gruchy & Marie Paquette

November 30th, December 1st & 2nd

Friday 5-9, Vernissage - Saturday & Sunday 10-5

1584 Sobeau Court, Kars Tel: 613 489-3938

Exit #49 off hwy 416 - 2km. easton Roger Stevens Drive -

Right onto Dorak and left onto Sobeau

CHANDLER'S ANNUAL OPEN HOUSE AND EXHIBITION

You are invited to Chandler's annual open house and exhibition of new work at Gillian's place Sat. Dec. 1st 10-5 444 Sunnyside



ENTRE OMBRE ET LUMIERE "Between Shadow and Light" Exhibition by Lee Hutchinson, 819 459-2420 Cultural Centre of Old Aylmer, 819 685-5033 L'Espace Pierre-Debain, 120 Rue Principale Open Monday to Friday, 1-8pm Saturday and Sunday, 12-4pm



Nov 1, 2007, 13:00 PM to Dec 9, 2007 20:00 PM

Location: L'Espace Pierre-Debain

ANNOUNCEMENTS

If anyone is thinking of coming to the sale we were going to have on Saturday November 24th it would be wise to phone first. 613-269-3729 as most of it has gone. We have the following things still left:

1. Ceramic Books
2. Bisqued tiles.
3. Throwing and drying batts
4. 10 cubic ft kiln
5. Pyrometer
6. Jewelry findings
7. Bubble wrap Free
8. Metal wastepaper bins (cover for raku reducing)
9. Large plastic garbage can on wheeled base, for making glazes
10. Left handed giffin grip disk (not the whole giffen grip)



Thank you. Margaret



... A Note From Susan Gold:

Hi Friends,

If you, or anyone you know is, inclined to do this rewarding work, please be in touch with me (613-722-5061) , or the number provided below.

Best to everyone, Susan Gold

CWAC Looking for Puppy Raisers

Hi Folks

Our Canines with a Cause (CWAC) female Hope had 10 puppies last week. 6 boys and 4 girls. (see attached photo). We are looking for puppy raisers as the below ad indicates. If you are interested in being a puppy raiser or know of anyone that might be interested, the contact details are on the ad or please feel free to use my email address at peter@choyasden.com or phone me at 613.799.5556

Thanks, Peter

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