



# December 2017

*"The Willamette Ceramics Guild promotes the ceramic arts by supporting and encouraging artistic expression and creativity at the individual and community levels."*

## Next Meeting:

Next meeting Monday Dec 11  
Holiday Potluck at Dawn Jones'  
home 530 SW 5th St. Corvallis

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### **Spring Garden Booth 2018**

First Sunday: May 6

Coordinators: Harriet Lamberson  
& Avie Meadows

### **Fall Festival Booth Sept 2018**

Coordinator: Avie Meadows

### **Holiday Market Booth Dec 2017**

Coordinators Ginny Gibson &  
Sandy Houtman

### **willametteceramicsguild.org**

Willamette Ceramics Guild meetings are the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of the month, September to June. Membership entitles you to participate in all Willamette Ceramics Guild sales and programs and to receive the 10 monthly newsletters. The membership year runs from January to January. Annual dues are \$25/individual; \$15/students; \$30/household.

To join, **send payment made out to WCG** to Betty McCoy 5020NW Crescent Valley Dr. Corvallis, OR 97330 Please include you email address, phone # and home address with your check.

## General Meeting:

This Month's Meeting: Monday, Dec. 11, 6:30 pm. Our Holiday Potluck Party is a fun time to enjoy our connection with each other and share a yummy meal. Bring a potluck item to share. Significant others and potential members are welcome to attend. Participate in the optional gift exchange by bringing an unwrapped handmade ceramic piece or ceramic-related item. The party is at Dawn Jones' home, 530 SW 5th St., Corvallis, on the west side of the street between Washington and Western. Parking is available across the street in the large parking lot.

Our December 11 general meeting and potluck at Dawn Jones home will include an abbreviated meeting agenda: Membership and Treasurers report, Holiday Marketplace report and a brief statement by Cynthia Spencer regarding our \$500 donation to the Art Center.

### **Last Meeting:** Nov 13

- Marcella Henkel was nominated and voted in as our new Treasurer starting in January. Thank you Marcella for stepping up! Thank you also to our outgoing Treasurer Richard Kuensting. Can't do it without you.
- Membership: Betty reported that we have several new members recently. New members were welcomed. The membership form is on the website now. Betty will bring new business cards the Dec meeting.
- Reminder: Help make Betty's job easier by paying your membership dues in Dec. Bring your check or credit card to the holiday potluck or mail your check to Betty McCoy at 5020 NW Crescent Valley Dr., Corvallis, OR 97330. Make your check out to the **WCG**. \$25 Individual, \$15 Student, \$30 Household. Also, if your contact information has changed, please email Betty the new information [areskb@gmail.com](mailto:areskb@gmail.com).
- Suzanne Getz is coordinating with program leaders to keep the guilds storage area at TAC organized and easy to use. We are lucky to have storage for our booth and display equipment that is shared with other guilds and try to make it as pain free as possible. Thank you TAC.
- Gary and Suzanne presented a great demo about applying monoprints with newspaper and underglazes. Such a simple but limitless technique. They had lots of examples in various stages of completion, different clays and ways of using this method. It was so interesting I forgot to take pictures-sorry. Thank you Pres and former Pres.:-)

### **Guild News**

- A WCG Business meeting is scheduled for December 5th 2:00pm at Panera to review the agenda and discuss plans for 2018 activities. Any interested member is welcome to attend these meetings to present or discuss agenda ideas.
- WCG Holiday Marketplace booth at OSU MU ballroom. Dec 1 & 2 10am-6pm Check out our booth at this show. It is always beautiful and full of treasures. A huge variety of gifts for sale as well as entertainment. Thanks to Ginny and Sandy for their superb job of coordinating this year's sale.
- SAVE THE DATE: Monday, January 8, 6:30-8:30 pm. Empty Bowl making party at the LBCC Benton Center Ceramic Studio. All WCG members welcome! Sale proceeds benefit hunger projects.

## Local Events

- Corvallis Arts Center 700 SW Madison, Corvallis  
[www.theartscenter.net](http://www.theartscenter.net)

### \*Main Gallery–

Nov 16-Dec 21-INSIDE/OUTSIDE THE BOX  
Show DeConstruction Thurs, Dec 21, 4-8 pm  
Dec 27- Feb 1- Where Are We, contemporary  
interpretations of landscape art with Jill Baker,  
Nancy Helmsworth and Rebecca Mannheimer

### \*Corrine Woodman Galleries

Nov 12–Jan 6  
Samuel Hoffman  
(Ceramics) and  
Mark A. Meyer  
(Photos)

Conversation from  
the CW Gallery:  
Thurs Dec 14, 12  
noon

- Corvallis Arts Walk  
–Dec 21 4-8pm

- LBCC Ceramics  
Sale Dec 8 3:30-6:30 Student and staff work for  
sale 20% of sales goes to support the LBCC lab.

## Member News

- The South Town Art Walk is Sun, Dec 3rd from  
11am-4pm. CWG Members Diana Ryan, Avie  
Meadows, Keith Moses participating plus 17  
south Corvallis artist studios. Hope to see some  
of you there! More info & studio map at  
[www.southtownartwalk.com](http://www.southtownartwalk.com)
- Teal is open! 328 SW 2nd St Corvallis Oct 26-  
Dec 28 Unique hand made work from local artists  
including Jeff Gunn and Jane Herbst. Several  
other potters as well as lots of other fine arts and  
crafts gifts by local artists.
- Be sure to check out the Footwise window this  
month. You'll see our president's (Gary, that is)  
boundless creativity and joy of working in clay.
- Terry and Donna Morse would like to invite you to  
Crow Creek Studios Open Studio and Sale on  
Saturday, December 16th from 10am - 4pm.  
1195 NW Overlook Dr., Corvallis. A variety of Ce-  
ramics, Art and Collectables. Come check it out.



Sam Hoffman

## Member News



Anthony Gordon

Pat Berman



- Several members have pieces in the TAC show  
INSIDE/OUTSIDE THE BOX, check it out.
- The Corvallis Nativity Festival will show a large  
collection of crèches by local artists and artists  
from around the world. Gary House has been  
sculpting ceramic nativity scenes for Christmas  
since 1975. One or two of his pieces will be on  
display at the Church of Latter Day Saints, 4141  
NW Harrison Blvd. December 1st - 5th. In addi-  
tion to reflecting the ancient story of Christ's birth,  
Gary's nativities show Hispanic and Native  
American design influences. St Francis of Assisi  
is credited for creating the first nativity scenes in  
1223 as a spiritual recreation.



# Happy Holidays!

## Member News

•Made By Hand: A Collaboration of Local Artists” - Five potters, Lynda Farmer, Jeff Gunn, Susan Pachuta, Renee McKitterick, and Ted Ernst, collaborated with local chefs at Del Alma in an artistic and culinary partnership. After a brainstorming meeting with Del Alma’s chefs, the 5 potters set out to create ceramic dinnerware inspired by the menu of a special five-course meal. Each potter selected a course, created some prototypes, then shared the results in a critiquing session with fellow potters and the chefs. With decisions made on designs for each course, potters spent several weeks working on their pieces knowing Del Alma was offering invites for 30 place settings. As each delicious course was served, it was exciting and rewarding to see the chefs responding to the handmade pieces with beautiful and innovative platings. The community response was overwhelmingly positive as the first night sold out quickly and a second night was added. Special credit and a huge thank you goes to Renee as she came up with the desire and vision to better connect ceramic artists with the community as well encouraging participating artists to work outside of their comfort zones, gaining new insights and skills along the way.



Chicharrone Nacho on square red plate with black glaze - Susan Pachuta



Fennel rubbed albacore tuna on oval porcelain plate with tinted inlaid "wave" - Lynda Farmer



Pavo Relleno (turkey w/chorizo) on square porcelain plate with branch brushwork - Jeff Gunn



Lamb Albondigas (meatballs) in round shallow porcelain frosty pale green bowl - Renee McKitterick



Palate cleanser mango sipping drink in 2-piece porcelain "cup" - Renee McKitterick



Pumpkin Soup with Dungeness crab croquette in round red clay bowl with black glaze - Ted Ernst



Spanish bread pudding with compressed pineapple on round red clay plate with black glaze and carving - Susan Pachuta