



June 2019

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

Summer break– no meetings or newsletters till September.

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Needed

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Empty Bowls

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Spring Garden Festival 5/5/19

Gary House and Milt Roselinsky

DaVinci Days 7/20-21/19

Sandy Houtman

Fall Festival Booth Sept 28-29

Carrie Gibbs and ? Need help

Holiday Market Booth Dec 6-7

Sandy Houtman and Ginny Gibson

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Willamette Ceramics Guild meetings are the 2nd 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: **payment made out to WCG** send to Betty McCoy 5020NW Crescent Valley Dr. Corvallis, OR 97330 Please include you email address, phone # and home address with your check.

Summer break-no meetings or newsletters till September. Take lots of pictures of your summer ceramic adventures and share with us in the fall. If you have time sensitive news send it to Holly or Gary so we can get it out to the group.

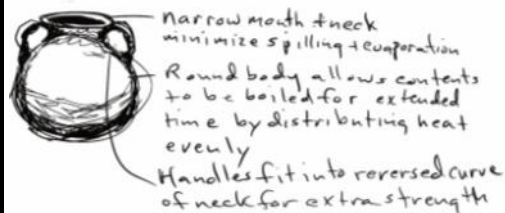
Last meeting: May meeting/ Spring Potluck –see minutes on page 3-4

WCG News

•WCG will be participating in an Empty Bowls throwing party at the LBCC Benton Center on Monday, June 24 (first day of summer term), from 6-8 pm. "Non-throwers" are welcome to come to either support others or make handbuilt bowls. These bowls will be sold at our daVinci Days booth on July 20 to benefit Linn Benton Food Share. Downward Dog in Corvallis is also selling our empty bowls for LCFS.

•Message from Gary: Gary Thoughts

Spring seems to be a time to consider refining existing ceramic skills and developing new ones with new project challenges. For example, I know how to make various whistles or ocarinas so now the new project will be to make a water whistle that makes chirping bird like sounds. The next project I'm thinking about is making a cooking pot similar to those used for thousands of years in the Middle East. The basic design is well tested for use over coals or low flames to cook greens, grains and smaller pieces of meat. My morning oatmeal will be the first test run for this pot.



Well, thinking, planning and wishing are one thing and getting hands-on clay with the focused mind is another. Looking forward to good clay times for all of us. See you at DiVinci Days, July 20 at the Fairgrounds and/or at the Arts Alive Program, August 24 in Central Park.

•Our Spring Garden Show was another demonstration of creativity and community coming together to celebrate a beautiful day, sell some unique Ceramics, and enjoy hanging out with friends and neighbors. Our double booth brought in almost \$1000 in sales during this sunny six hour event. Plan to bring out your garden art next year for this special event.



WCG News

•Join us for DaVinci days July 20 and 21 at the Benton County Fairgrounds! The WCG board agreed that WCG would once again participate in DaVinci days. We will be coordinating with the Benton Center's Ceramic department. If you'd like to help with this community outreach project please contact me, Sandy Houtman, Houtman@aol.com or 541-602-1515.

WCG Member News

•Douglas Starkey Shadbolt- A Celebration of Life will be held for Doug on June 30, 2019 from 2:00 - 5:00 PM at Willamette Park in Corvallis, Oregon. The Rotary Shelter is located at 1350 Good-night Ave. The celebration will be hosted by members of Doug's immediate family, and his Corvallis friends, for caregivers, family, and friends of Doug. We will provide barbecue and fixins. Local friends will provide casseroles and side dishes. Please bring a snack and a beverage of your choice. Please call or text Candy Shadbolt at 503.249.1578 with questions, and RSVP to cjshadbolt@yahoo.com

•Laurie Childers-last week Laurie had a very serious injury from a fall crushing some vertebrae and breaking 17 ribs.

She will be going home soon but it will be a long recovery. Gary sent a card and flowers from WCG. Anyone wishing to get in touch with Laurie should communicate thru John for now. He has also set up a CaringBridge site for sharing info and sending messages to Laurie. Join CaringBridge.org site and search for Laurie Childers. There is a link on our WCG facebook page.



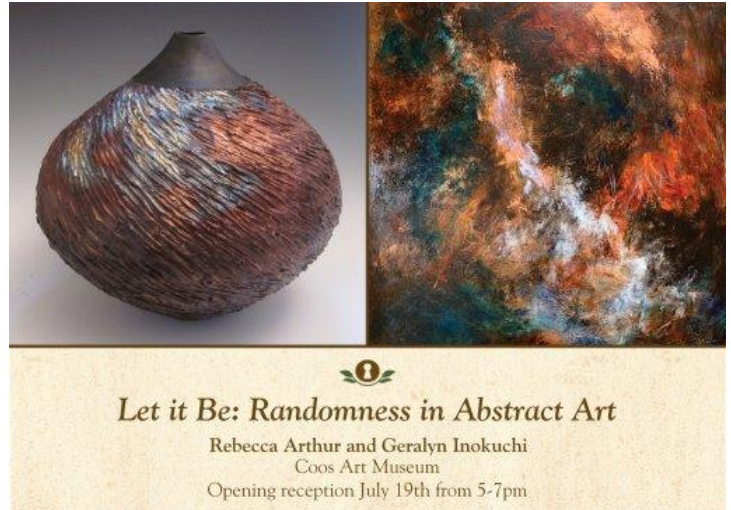
•Sandy Houtman will be the guest artist at River Gallery for their front window July 1-31.

•Anthony and Sandy are doing a kids workshop, "ClayCritters" at Finley Wildlife Refuge August 2 at 1:00. It's K-12 and kids must register with the refuge as there are limited spaces. 541-757-7236 extension 214.

•Marcella Henkels will have a show of her raku tiles at Sam's Station in Corvallis for the month of July.



•Rebecca Arthur will be in a 2 person show with Gera-lynn Inokuchi at the Coos Art Museum in Coos Bay, July 13-Oct 5. Let it be: Randomness in Abstract Art. In both contemporary abstract painting and raku pottery the goal is to achieve beauty in simplicity and imperfection. Both develop along the lines of randomness where the composition is asymmetric yet balanced.



•Becca Lemon reports: Trish, Adrianna, Suzanne, and I attended an intense 1 week hands-on figure sculpture workshop with Alessandro Gallo at Karen Russo's studio last week. Alessandro demonstrated his techniques for working solid on an armature, hollowing, delineating folds in fabric, engineering for post-firing attachments & repairs, and realism in painting to finish the piece after firing, among other topics that came up over the week. He demonstrated on each student's work during each phase of the project- as shown in the attached images. We all got hands-on instruction. Check out his website Alessan-



Wilamette Ceramics Guild Updated Schedule of Activities 2019-2020

June 24 Empty Bowls throwing party, 6-8pm
LBCC Ceramics Studio, Corvallis
July 20, DiVinci Days, Ceramics Educational Booth and Empty Bowls Project
August 24, Arts Alive Program, 1-8pm Art Center Plaza
September 9 Potluck 6:30pm location TBA
September 27-28-29, 2019 Fall Festival Booth, Sat 10-6pm and Sun 10-5pm, Central Park, Corvallis
November, Empty Bowls Program, TBD November 4, 2019 General Meeting with Professional Development Activity, 6:30-8pm, Art Center Basement
December 6-7, 2019 Holiday Marketplace Booth, 10-6pm, Memorial Union Ballroom, OSU
December 9, 2019 Holiday Potluck Meeting. Time and place TBA
March 9, 2020. General Meeting with Professional Development Activity, 6:30-8pm, Art Center Basement.

As you learn of events or activities of interest to our ceramics community please let Holly Dubrasich or Gary House know so we can put it in the newsletter or send out special notices.

Local Events:

•*Corvallis Arts Center* 700 SW Madison, Corvallis
www.theartscenter.net

*Main Gallery

June 20– Aug 9 “Around Oregon Annual”
CAW/Reception Thurs June 20 5:30-8 pm
Lunchbox Artists Talk: June 27 at 12 noon with Suzanne Getz, Diane English and Jennifer Lommers.

July 18 CAW 4-8pm

•Benton Center Pottery Sale June 14 3:30– 6:30
always lots of good stuff. Get there early!



Hypertufa gang at Rhoda's

More WCG News

•Rhoda Fleischman will be having a kiln opening on Saturday June 29th about noon at 25672 Gap Rd Brownsville. There will be several artists work fired in her soda fired kiln. Her incredible garden will also be open for viewing.



•Suzanne Getz has had this piece accepted into the “Around Oregon” Show that will start in June. Congratulations Suzanne. Beautiful. There is some pretty great local art in this show.
•HuperTufa pot making. Gary House, Holly D, Rhoda Fleischman and a friend Lisa Keith had a highly experimental gathering to explore the art of making flowerpots from cement, peat and perlite at Rhoda's. Such fun doing something new. We will report on our success in future and possibly hold future experiments. Thank you Rhoda.
•Holly Dubrasich is teaching a class at Calapooia Clay Studio June 15 & 22 10 am to noon. Create ceramic flowers for your garden or home. Fun, easy and colorful. See calapooiaclay.com for sign up. 1533 7th Ave SE, Albany

WCG Meeting Agenda, May 20, 2019 6:30pm provided by Carrie Gibbs
Potluck Calapooia Clay: A giant Thank you for hosting the Spring Pot luck!
PREMEETING ACTIVITY, 6pm Raku with Ed, members to bring bisque work to glaze and fire.
This was Fun and Ed and Felicia have an amazing studio!

Treasurer's Report

Marcella Henkels : WCG has over \$5000.00

Voted on during the meeting:

1). \$150.00 donation to sponsor an artist @ Arts Alive Program Represented by Becky Arthur.

Passes Unanimously!

2). \$ 50.00 donation for booth space @ Da Vinci Days. Lead Contact Sandra Houtman.

Passed Unanimously!

Spring Garden Festival

May 5, in front of the Art Center. Our double booth seemed to work for all concerned.

Was a great time! Please consider joining the sale next year!

Garden Sales = \$960.00

Membership Report

Betty McCoy consider volunteering to share membership Information at our various public activities.

Total members = 53 paid members

WCG also has some that have gifted memberships due to their exceptional donations to the Guild!

Newsletter editor, Holly Dubrasich

Tufa Pot Workshop with Rhoda Fleischman

May 28 or 29.

What is Tufa? **Hypertufa** containers are a lighter-weight **pot** than a concrete container, and are formed using a mix of perlite, Portland cement and peat moss.

**** If you are interested in doing this workshop please contact Holly Dubrasich!

Art Center Contact

Cinthia thanked WCG for all our donations! We have made it possible for 4 children to attend the ½ day ceramic class offered in the summer!

WCG/LBCC Ceramics Art Student Award

Provided (2) \$100.00 awards for outstanding functional/utilitarian and non-utilitarian work. Jennie Balkins, sculptural award and Liam Lee Functional award.

Outside Speaker Program

Outside speaker program is being developed by Anthony

Gordon, Holly Dubrasich, Rene McKitterick, OPA and LBCC. The WCG board is

considering how we can help in bringing a speaker/workshop provider to our area. Possible candidate is Adrian

Arleo: <https://www.adrianarleo.com/>.

Doug Shadbolt's Celebration of Life

Doug Shadbolt's Celebration of Life will be held, June 30, from 2-5pm at

Willamette Park in Corvallis, Rotary Shelter, 1350 Goodnight Ave. Local friends

to provide casseroles and side dishes. Bring snack and beverage of choice.

Arts Alive Program

Becky Arthur, "We have applied to represent the Guild at the Arts Alive Program

August 23-24 in the Central Park!" If you are interested in creating and participating in ceramics with the public,

young and older, let Gary House or Becky Arthur know.

WCG has voted to donate \$150.00 to this program. Becky has matched our donation of \$150.00!

Da Vinci Days Booth

The Guild is also planning to have a hands on ceramic experience at our Da Vinci Days booth. If you would like to participate contact Sandra @ houtman@aol.com

Empty bowls will be sold at this event!

Turns out that this event needs money to run so we have donated \$50.00 for us to be there!

Fall Festival

Fall Festival is just around the corner. Please email Carrie Gibbs @ gibbscarrie18@gmail.com if you are interested in showing your work there. We still have plenty of space! Please put Fall Festival in E-mail caption!

Fall Festival Dates: Friday 9/27 Set Up 1.pm!

Sat 9/28 (9am-6pm), Sun (9am-6pm). Shifts will be figured out closer to the event.

Empty Bowls Throwing Party

June 24th Benton Center 6-pm!

Wild Life Party @ Finley Wildlife Refuge

Build Clay critters on Aug 3rd from 1-3 ages K-12. For information to volunteer contact Antony and Sandra H.