



# Now-A-Newsletter

Meeting on: January 16th at 11:00 am

NAN Submissions, Email: [scpcgnan@outlook.com](mailto:scpcgnan@outlook.com)

Meeting Location: **Hagaman Library**

## Take Note!

**Note:** There has been a schedule conflict with the library so please note the following meeting changes:

The **February** meeting will be held on the 2nd Saturday (**Feb 13, 2016**)

**Membership dues** owed (Jan-Dec) \$25 per year.

*To be able to vote and take/teach classes, membership dues need to be current.*

**Request** from Carole Monahan-Kampfe:

“Can everyone email me or post to the guild Facebook page one of the FIRST PIECES they made in polymer clay OR they can bring it to the meeting and I can take pictures there. I thought to celebrate the 1st month of the new year we should look back at how far we have come!”

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## Meeting Agenda

Demo – TBD

Discussion about Board of Directors meeting

“Wendy Oestreicher has resigned from her position as VP of the guild and Diane Villano has agreed to take over for the remainder of her term. Thank you Wendy and we wish you the best!

Diane, thank you for stepping up to fill the position. Looking forward to working with you in this capacity ~ Sharon”

Discussion on Weekend of Clay classes

News about the Southern New England Polymer Artists Guild

Show-n-tell

## Looking Ahead

**Demos:**

TBD - Marilyn Malcarne - Extrusions in Polymer

TBD - Libby Mills – Findings

Weekend of Clay March 5th & 6th 2016

Save the date! Clay ConneCTion 2016 dates have been reserved for Thursday, July 28 - Sunday, July 31, 2016, at Connecticut College in New London.

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## Other Items of Interest

Cat sent us info on 2016 BeadDreams:

Info: [http://www.beadandbuttonshow.com/about-show/events/beaddreams?utm\\_source=SilverpopMailing&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_campaign=BBS\\_News\\_160108\\_Final&utm\\_content=](http://www.beadandbuttonshow.com/about-show/events/beaddreams?utm_source=SilverpopMailing&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=BBS_News_160108_Final&utm_content=)

Application: <https://secure.kalmbach.com/beaddreams/>

### BeadDreams

Each year, the Bead&Button Show sponsors BeadDreams, a juried competition of exceptional bead artistry from around the world.

Ribbons are currently awarded in ten categories. The accepted pieces are displayed in our gallery area at the Bead&Button Show.

The outstanding piece among category winners receives a Best in Show trophy and a \$1,000 gift certificate from [Fire Mountain Gems and Beads](#).

#### How to Enter

The deadline for 2016 BeadDreams is [February 26, 2016](#).

[BEADDREAMS APPLICATION](#)



Christy Sherman sent us the following:

Artist's Unhinged Retreat, April 15-17<sup>th</sup> in Glen Ridge, NJ

Details and Registration Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/Artists-Unhinged-1599938490295566>

Class information and Registration Form:

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/0B9mJKidb4-Q6ZjRDTU9TRWZoLVU/view>

Christy will be teaching:

**Christy Sherman "Dragon Relief Sculpture" (Course #SC011) Rhode Island**



In this class you will learn how to sculpture dragons in relief to make a piece of art. Enter the world of fantasy and Game of Thrones with this dragon relief sculptured project. Using a drawing of a dragon as inspiration and as a template, you will sculpt your dragon on a plaque for a wall hanging, a journal cover embellishment, or any other creative destination for your finished piece. Using paints and mica powders, you will make your dragon iridescent.

Artist Website: <http://www.skygrazer.com/>

**Who'll be teaching what?**



**Stack Rings**  
Jane Cook



**Hearts**  
Christi Friesen



**Ladybug on a Leaf**  
Donna Greenberg



**Game Piece Charms**  
Anke Humpert



**Antiquing 101**  
Sherman Oberson



**Smooch Canes**  
Lisa Pavelka



**Felted Flowers**  
Pat Pawlowicz



**Daisy Earrings**  
Monica Resta



**Star Books**  
Phiona Richards



**Dragon's Egg**  
Christy Sherman

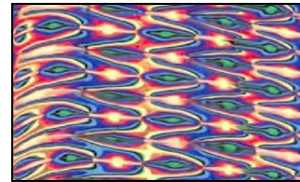
Plus a few surprise artists TBA...and a Caricature Artist!

Debbie sent us a link to [Aves Two-Part Clay Comparison Chart](#) for anyone who might want to use any kind of epoxy sculpt with their clay.

<https://www.avesstudio.com/images/stories/PDF/2Part.pdf>

For those of you who enjoyed the Natasha Bead demo, Libby sent the following link to an old Guild demo from Jody Bishel that she feels is a natural extension of the Natasha Bead.

Check it out: <http://www.angelfire.com/ct3/lujs/demo-helix.html>



Debbie sent us info on: **International Polymer Clay's "Wordspiration" Concave**


IPCA Members get your work published in the IPCA's publication "International Polymer Clay." Wordspiration is the vehicle to show your talent.

<https://www.facebook.com/photo.php?fbid=1931319887094119&set=gm.946935115350129&type=3&theater>

**Get Your Work  
PUBLISHED!**  
International Polymer Clay's "Wordspiration"  
CONCAVE is the word for January-February

email [editor@theipca.org](mailto:editor@theipca.org)  
send a high resolution image  
300 dpi 700 px widest side

Search your image archives!  
Absolute Deadline is  
December 11th  
Questions? email the editor



Lovely Concave Art  
by Sona Grigoryan



## Classes

### **Diane Villano:** Teaching at **Kandu Beads**

Kandu Beads is now located at the Watch Factory Shoppes, 116 Elm Street, Cheshire, CT , 203 439-8689

To enroll call (203) 439-8689 or email [Sales@KanduBeads.com](mailto:Sales@KanduBeads.com) to reserve your spot.



**Saturday, February 27, 2016**  
***Faux Chinese Cinnabar Pendant***  
**Time: 2:00-5:00**

Ancient Chinese "Cinnabar" is the art of etching ornate designs into the natural, red Cinnabar mineral. When the natural mineral was much later to be found unsafe to humans, the popular style was then recreated using wood and lacquer. In this class, Diane Villano will help us create our own Cinnabar-like pendants using Polymer Clay. Fee \$60 (*Class materials sold separately*)

This is an additive technique; you won't need to know any fussy carving skills, which will impress the heck out of your friends!



**Saturday, March 26, 2016**  
***Faux Bone Polymer Clay Pendant***  
**Time: 2:00-5:00**

You won't believe this isn't real bone! Learn how to make polymer look exactly like a natural bone pendant! Fee \$65 (*Class materials sold separately*)

### **Christy Sherman:**



**Saturday, January 23, 2016**  
***Critters Workshop***  
**Time: 10:30 am**

Clark Memorial Library  
 7 Pinehurst Dr.  
 Carolina, RI 02812

This will be a low key demo and play session. Christy will demonstrate how to make lizards, but everyone can make whatever they'd like. The class will be about an hour. Baking the critters will take another 40 minutes or so afterwards, so you can either hang out at the library or pick up your baked critters another day. It's a lot of fun. Sign up at the Clark Memorial Library.



**Saturday, March 12, 2016**

***Magpie Eclectic***

**Time: 10 am – 2 pm**

Wickford Art Center, Wickford RI

Sign up at: <http://www.wickfordart.org/art-classes-current.html>

Embrace your inner magpie, and dig out all your treasures. String a necklace or bracelet out of a bit of this and a bit of that and then add some wire to hold it all together. Asymmetry and mixed media are encouraged, but you can use the same techniques to make more traditional designs.

We will cover a variety of techniques such as making your own custom clasps, wire spirals, links, and connections between chains, beads, fiber, ribbon, leather and wire. You'll also learn how to use findings such as headpins, eye pins, jump rings and ear wires.

This is a great starting point for anyone who wants to make or mend your own jewelry, or for anyone who wants to learn connection techniques for mixed media. No experience necessary.

\$50 Members / \$85 Non-members, \$25 Supply fee

## Kudos!

Congratulations to Christy Sherman, category winner and Grand Prize Winner of Fire Mountain's Creative Clays contest.



## Guild Library

To borrow any items from the Guild Library, please email your request to:  
Debbie Goodrow at [DGoodrow@gmail.com](mailto:DGoodrow@gmail.com)

Simply browse through the library list and email Debbie the ID numbers  
for the books and/or DVDs you wish to borrow.

(Please note that you MUST sign out all media with Debbie before taking  
them, even if they do not have a sign out card attached. Thank you)



Did you enjoy the DVD you watched? Hated it? Thought the book you took out was helpful? Write a short review (approx. 50-200 words) to let other members know what you think and submit it to: Debbie Goodrow at [DGoodrow@gmail.com](mailto:DGoodrow@gmail.com)

Not comfortable writing the review, well Debbie has offered to help. Just email her your thoughts, what you liked, didn't like, and any anything else you specifically wanted to say. It only takes a few minutes, doesn't have to be long, and is a great way to participate even if you can't attend the meetings.

## Traveling Exhibit

The Traveling Exhibit – Gerry Pieper is our Traveling Exhibit Coordinator. With setup help from a number of other members, our Exhibit will continue to inspire those with artistic interest.

### Exhibit Locations:

February - New Haven - Ives Branch (Main Branch)

## Welcome New Members

New Members Welcome!

## Minutes

11 members attended the Sept. meeting:  
November - Natasha Beads - Michelle Pini  
(Lab Demo - Work along with Michelle)  
Ornaments submitted for Guild Outreach Program  
Discussion about Loretta Lam's Class  
Clay Day Recap  
Show-n-tell

### Southern CT Polymer Clay Guild

Visit our guild website:  
<http://www.scpcg.org>



The guild message board is located at:  
<http://forums.delphiforums.com/scpcg>

The Bottles of Hope website is:  
<http://www.bottlesofhope.org>

The Bottles of Hope message board is:  
<http://forums.delphiforums.com/boh1>

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### Where do we meet?

#### Sept-June:



Hagaman Library;  
227 Main Street  
East Haven, CT 06512  
(203) 468-3890

#### July & August:



The Beach House  
Cosey Beach Avenue  
East Haven, CT

(See our website for directions)

Meetings are usually on the 3rd Saturday of each month at 11 am. Check our website for location/time changes, or email us. All interested are welcome to attend and join.

(There is no fee for the first meeting, so come see what we're about)