**Take Note**

**Guild Challenge Due October Meeting** - Covering those finials that were given out a few meetings ago - or something similar (about the size of a medium orange).

“Something about that size, use it in some way to make art (cover it, use it as a structure, use it as a mold, whatever clever idea you can come up with) and your art should be significantly (or at least have SOME!) polymer clay.” ~ Debbie

**Meeting Agenda**

**Demo** - Laura Blakely - Ludmila’s Labordorite

**Discussion - Post City Wide Open Studios** - Guild participated at Goffe Street Armory Oct 14 & 15

**Guild Challenge**

**Raffle Chain Raffle** - item to be donated by the last winner

**Guild Librarian Still Needed:** The Guild is still looking for a guild librarian. Don’t you want ALL THOSE BOOKS AND TAPES at your house, so you can look up anything you desire???
We could possibly donate the books to the East Haven Library and take them out from that library????

**Show-n-tell**

**Looking Ahead**

**Demos:**

November - Lisa Gauthier - Chintz
TBD – Marilyn Malcarne  Felting Variations - Felting Continued
TBD – Sharon Mihalyak – Foil Fun
TBD – Debbie Goodrow – Scrap Clay Resurrection
Any Other Volunteers?

**Clay Day West Haven Library**
Sat, November 4, 11:30am – 4:30pm
West Haven Public Library, 300 Elm St, West Haven, CT 06516
Annual Outreach Project:

We will again be decorating a Christmas tree to benefit the Ronald McDonald House Charities of Connecticut and Western Massachusetts. The 28th annual Trees of Hope event will be held at the Maritime Center, 555 Long Wharf Drive in New Haven, December 2-10. More than 140 beautifully decorated trees, wreaths and holiday baskets will be raffled off and more than 4,000 visitors are expected to attend. This event is free and open to the public 10-5 daily with free parking on the weekends. This is a great opportunity to show what can be done with polymer clay!

We will be decorating a 5 ft. tree and this year’s theme is “Things with Wings” - birds, angels, dragonflies, butterflies, insects, flying fish, etc.

We're asking that everyone make AT LEAST three (3) ornaments. More is even better. Please make sure they have a hole for hanging. We will add hooks.

Ornaments are due at the November 18th meeting. (FYI, I will be away at a convention, so someone else will need to collect the ornaments.) Setup is the weekend after Thanksgiving. If you are interested in helping decorating the tree, please see Diane Villano.

Into the Forest, https://intotheforestinstallation.com/about/
November 10, 2017, to December 3, 2017, at the Spinning Plate Gallery in Pittsburgh, PA. A preview of Into The Forest was on display at the Synergy4 polymer clay conference in Valley Forge, PA in August 2017. It looked fabulous!

CHIHULY @ NY Botanical Garden, https://www.nybg.org/event/chihuly-2/
Through – Sunday, October 29, 2017

Other Items of Interest

Diane sent us the following information:

Support two important Shoreline non-profits at one event!

You are invited to enjoy a warm soup supper while supporting Guilford Art Center and the Community Dining Room. Enjoy a selection of hearty soups, bread, dessert and wine or sparkling water. Each guests gets to choose their own one-of-a-kind soup bowl, handcrafted by Guilford Art Center potters. Bowls will be washing for guests to take home "for good". After enjoying soup, visit The Shop to see the annual holiday shopping event, "Artistry", to find unique and beautiful gifts for everyone on your list. Tickets for Soup for Good are $30 in advance, $35 at the door.

For more information, contact Guilford Art Center at (203) 453-5947 or www.guilfordartcenter.org.
At the September meeting Leah Stancil spoke about a New Jersey artist who created the horseshoe crab. She has provided the artist’s information if anyone wants to check him out, very unique art.

Ricky Boscarino
Luna Parc
www.lunaparc.com
Sandyston, NJ

Cat has sent us the Fall 2017 Pantone:

Sharon sent us a link to an article on pricing it out: https://katersacres.com/buildyourbrand/pricing-handmade/
Classes by Members

**Diane Villano:**  Hobby Lobby, 68 Frontage Road, East Haven, CT
To Register: By Email: dianev_scpcg@yahoo.com  
By Phone: 203 887-3392  
On Website: [https://www.dianevillano.com/classes-and-workshops.html](https://www.dianevillano.com/classes-and-workshops.html)

**Saturday, November 11, 10-1**  
**Christmas Candy Earrings**  
Create ribbon candy and candy cane beads and turn them into adorable (and gift-able) holiday earrings! Class fee of $30 covers all materials and findings. Register by Nov. 4 to reserve your seat.

**Saturday, January 13, 10-1**  
**Snowflake Brooch**  
Celebrate winter with a sparkling snowflake brooch embellished with genuine Swarovski crystals. Class fee of $30 covers all materials and findings. Register by January 6 to reserve your seat.

“Bring your jewelry pliers and polymer clay tools (if you already own them) and I'll share mine.”

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**Kristie Foss:**  Teaching at Meiklem's Kilnworks in Bozrah, CT  
To register online go to: [http://www.meiklemkilnworks.com](http://www.meiklemkilnworks.com)

**Saturday, November 4, 2017**  
**Hollow “peek through” Beads ~ 9am - 2 pm**

In this class, participants will learn to create “peek through” hollow beads. Small holes perforate the sides of the beads opening a view to inside and all the way through the bead. These beads are unusual, and can be used in a variety of ways.

**Saturday, December 2, 2017**  
**Translucent & Opaque Extrusions for Polymer Clay Votives ~ 9am - 2 pm**

Here is a project that is perfect for the holidays. Learn to use an extruder to make translucent and solid color canes. Then use the canes to cover small votive glasses. The translucent clay will allow light from a candle to shine through and augment the design. Use these at home or give them away as gifts.  
Materials:  Participants will need a clay extruder, (or borrow from instructor), translucent, white and/or colored clay, blades, small circle shape cutters, and other clay tools of their choice. Instructor will have clay available for sale if desired, extra extruders to share, and small votive containers for covering with clay.
Christy Sherman: Teaching at Wickford Art Association

Wickford Art Association; 36 Beach Street; Wickford, Rhode Island 02852; Phone: (401) 294-6840
http://www.wickfordart.org/art-classes-current.html

Sculpt a Baby Seal by Christy Sherman
Saturday, October 28, 10 am - 1 pm

Learn to sculpt and handle polymer clay in 3 dimensions as you sculpt an adorable baby seal. You'll learn how to create fur texture and how to use paint to bring out the texture and highlight your seal. Your seal can be a free-standing figurine or a hanging pendant. You will learn when (and if) to make a beading hole and how to embed jump rings for a pendant without crushing your sculpture.

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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.

Traveling Exhibit Locations:
October: Guilford Library
November: Wallingford Library

Contact Gerry Pieper to schedule the Traveling Exhibit in a Library or other public space near you.
gerryssilver@att.net
Welcome New Members

New Members are always Welcome!

Southern CT Polymer Clay Guild

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

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

SCPCG Facebook Page:
https://www.facebook.com/scpcg.org

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Minutes

20 Members attended the September meeting.
Agenda:
Demo – New 'Crackle' Technique - Debbie Goodrow
Class & Anniversary Discussion
Guild Outreach Project
City Wide Open Studios
Show-n-tell

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)