



# Now-A-Newsletter

Meeting on: November 18th at 11:00 am

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

Meeting Location: Hagaman Library

## Take Note

**Ornaments are DUE THIS MEETING** for our Guild Tree Project for the Ronald McDonald House - the theme is "Things with Wings" (at least 3 please - more is better) They can be mailed to Diane Villano if you are unable to attend the meeting: 1355 N High St, East Haven, CT 06512

**Reminder:** Tag Sale and Pot-Luck-Luncheon  
December Meeting 12/9 (SECOND SATURDAY) – No NAN in December

**Dues:** Please be aware that membership is January through December and is still \$25.00

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## Meeting Agenda

**Demo** – In place of a demo we will be showing pictures from "Into the Forest" in Pittsburg.

Info: <https://intotheforestinstallation.com/about/>

On display November 10, 2017 to December 3, 2017 at the Spinning Plate Gallery in Pittsburgh, PA,

**Weekend of Clay** - Foxon Firehouse has been reserved for March 10 & 11, 2018.

Start thinking about classes you'd like to propose / take - Let's talk...

**Follow-up Discussion:** Clay Day West Haven Library

**Show-n-tell**

## Looking Ahead

### Demos:

TBD - Lisa Gauthier - Chintz

TBD - Marilyn Malcarne Felting Variations - Felting Continued

TBD - Sharon Mihalyak - Foil Fun

Any Other Volunteers?

**Tag Sale and Pot-Luck-Luncheon December Meeting:**

**Tag Sale:** The more people who bring things in, the better the tag sale!!!  
Members DONATE Polymer Clay/art/crafts related items to sell for \$1  
Bigger ticket items are raffled off.  
Smaller items to be packaged into \$1 value  
Numbers are drawn, we line up.  
Members select one item each time around  
After a few turns the items are reduced to 2 for \$1 and so on until the table is empty.

**Potluck Lunch:**

We all bring in something to share...  
Nothing is assigned...  
We have plates, napkins, cups, etc.  
If it will need serving utensils, please bring them.  
We can't keep food cold or cook so keep that in mind. We can keep a few crock pots plugged in.

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**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.

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**Clay ConneCTion 2018** Retreat will be held July 26-29 at Connecticut College New London, CT. (Just waiting on the contract to confirm)

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**Guild Librarian** still needed: 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????

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## Classes by Members

**Diane Villano:** Hobby Lobby, 68 Frontage Road, East Haven, CT

To Register: By Email: [diane\\_v\\_spcpg@yahoo.com](mailto:diane_v_spcpg@yahoo.com)

By Phone: 203 887-3392

On Website: <https://www.dianevillano.com/classes-and-workshops.html>

*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.”

**Kristie Foss:** Teaching at Meiklem's Kilnworks in Bozrah, CT

To register online go to: <http://www.meiklemkilnworks.com>



*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.

## Other Items of Interest

From Debbie Goodrow:

“I trust the Blue Bottle Tree for information - Ginger tests things thoroughly before posting about them.

She found a spray varnish for PC that works apparently as well as PYM II, and is available through Amazon, if nothing else.”

<https://thebluebottletree.com/helmar-spray-varnish-for-polymer-clay/>




Sharon received the following email from Dawn Tiscia from the Guilford Arts Center:

“Guilford Art Center is preparing for our 2018 fine American craft expo and would like to invite your artists to apply to participate in **Guilford Art Center’s Craft Expo 2018**..

**Guilford Art Center would like to announce the Call for Entry for Craft Expo 2018**, which will be held on **July 13-15, 2018**. Craft Expo, a high-caliber exhibit and sale of fine American craft featuring 180 artists and artisans, is held outdoors on the historic Guilford, CT Green at the height of the summer season and is open to crafts made by hand or with the use of appropriate tools, by an individual and/or with help from a limited number of assistants/apprentices. Works must be handmade in the USA or Canada.

For complete prospectus and application, see [zapplication.org: https://www.zapplication.org/event-info.php?ID=5999](https://www.zapplication.org/event-info.php?ID=5999). or [guilfordartcenter.org: http://guilfordartcenter.org/expo/](http://guilfordartcenter.org). Application deadline is 1/9/2018.”



Guilford Art Center announces  
 “Call for Entry” for Craft Expo 2018.  
 Exhibition dates: July 13, 14, 15, 2018  
 Application Deadline: January 9, 2018  
 \$40.00 application fee

Craft Expo takes place in the bucolic town of Guilford, CT, located half-way between Boston and New York. Guilford is best known for its picturesque and historical town green and access to shoreline points, making it a popular summertime destination.

Craft Expo showcases high quality works from over 180 artists who travel in from across the country. Works are presented in a range of media, including clay, glass, leather, jewelry, fiber, mixed media, paper, printing, photography, and wood. All work must be original and made in North America. Applicants must supply 5 digital files of their work along with a completed application for consideration.

**Jurors 2018:**  
**Paul Sacaridiz**- An artist and Executive Director of the Haystack Mountain School of Crafts in Maine.  
**Marjorie Durko Puryear**- Professor Emeritus, University of Massachusetts-Dartmouth, Textile Artisanry Department. She is a weaver and textile artist with a international product design company for handwoven scarves and decorative pillows.  
**Bruce Baker**- Jewelry designer and a art/craft marketing consultant. He has presented over 600 workshops on topics of sales, merchandising, and visual presentations for juried shows.

For a complete prospectus and **application**, see [www.zapplication.org](http://www.zapplication.org)  
 For additional details about Craft Expo: <http://guilfordartcenter.org/expo/>

Guilford Art center is a non-profit organization established to nurture and support excellence in the arts through education, exhibitions, sale of contemporary crafts and community outreach. The Guilford Art Center campus includes a school of fine art and craft; the shop at Guilford Art Center, featuring contemporary American crafts; and Mill Gallery. For additional information: [www.guilfordartcenter.org](http://www.guilfordartcenter.org).

Please contact the Art Center if you are unable to find information you need from Zapplication or our website. Phone: 203-453-5947, ext 13.

## 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:**

November: Wallingford Library

Contact Gerry Pieper to schedule the Traveling Exhibit in a Library or other public space near you.

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## Welcome New Members

Welcome Vickie Romanchuck from Danbury!

### **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

19 Members attended the October 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  
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)