

NAN Submissions, Email: scpcgnan@outlook.com

Meeting Location: Hagaman Library

Take Note!

<u>Membership dues</u> are now due. Guild membership runs from January to December. Still \$25 per year. Please note - participation in the Weekend of Clay is <u>only</u> open to members.

Guild Challenge: Hollow Form using packing peanut armature, due at March Meeting.

We would like to list member's websites, etsy stores, etc on our website links page. Please email those links to scpcgnan@outlook.com or bring the information to our March meeting.

Meeting Agenda

Demo - Carole Monahan-Kampfe - Simple Slicer Demo Packing Peanut Challenge Weekend of Clay class payments due Raffle-chain Raffle Show-n-tell

- Looking Ahead

Weekend of Clay at the Foxon Firehouse, 1420 North High Street, East Haven, March 25th and 26th. (Located at the corner of Rt 80 and High St in East Haven)

Votes have been tallied and the results from a very close race:

Sat am - Baby Seals - Christy Sherman Sat pm - Woodland Fairy Doors - Debbie Goodrow Sun am - Floral Chain - Debbie Jaffe Sun pm - Gelatin Printing - Tracy VanBuskirk



Times are 9:30 - 12:30 and 2-5 each day (the workroom will be open Saturday evening for extra clay time) Class fees are \$15 each class, payable to the Guild. Membership dues will need to be paid to take the classes. Materials fees paid directly to the teacher on the day of the class. You can take all 4 classes or any of them.

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March is National Craft Month - members will approach different Barnes & Noble stores to set up polymer clay demos.

Carole Monahan - Stamford Diane Villano - North Haven Dorian Boddy / Lori Michels - New Haven Sharon Mihalyak - Milford said not now - but there will be a Makers event we can take part in - November? We will let you know which store will participate

Guest Instructor Marie Segal - Sept 30 & Oct 1 - Classes to be announced

Demos:

April - Lori Michels – Building a Photo Box May – Christy Sherman – Pan Pastels TBD – Sharon Mihalyak – Foil Fun

Kudos!

Libby Mills has a piece in an article about lariats in the new Spring 2017 issue of The Polymer Arts magazine. Congrats Libby!

Other Items of Interest

Bottles of Hope:

We have a new video up on the <u>bottlesofhope.org</u> website. The video was taken at the Stamford Library BOH Workshop given by Carole Monahan and Debbie Goodrow (assisted by Sharon Mihalyak) The old video on the website was lost/link broke. We will be doing some more recording for a "how to" make bottles of hope.

Carole Monahan is participating in a show at Ferguson Library, a mini comic con. She has been making Steampunk items such as corset pins and goggles. <u>https://www.meetup.com/Ferguson-Library-Makerspace/events/238242144/</u>



Ferguson Fan Fest Wednesday, April 12, 2017 11am – 7pm One Public Library Plaza (Main Library), Stamford, CT



Thanks Christy: The Met Places Over 375,000 Artworks into the Public Domain for Unrestricted Use. <u>http://www.thisiscolossal.com/2017/02/the-met-places-375000-artworks-into-the-public-domain-for-unrestricted-use/?utm_source=feedly&utm_medium=webfeeds</u>

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Diane sent us info on Bead & Button:



Thanks Libby for forwarding this info: *Lexington Arts and Crafts Society's Polymer and Beading Show*. The hours are Tuesday - Friday 12 to 4, Saturday 10 to 4, and Sunday 12 to 4, from Saturday March 18 to Sunday April 2. We are closed on Mondays and whenever Lexington schools are closed due to weather. Our address is 130 Waltham St, Lexington, MA 02421. There is no admission fee and there is ample free parking. Check it out: http://lacsma.org/Portals/0/2017/imageimaginationshow2017.pdf



For Sale:

Diane Villano received an email from Jean Waters who has items for sale, not all are new. She is looking to sell the entire lot for \$40. Please contact Jean directly if you are interested. jeanwaters@comcast.net



Libby sent us info on Creative Journey Studios:



Get all the latest scoop on classes at Creative Journey Studios by reading our blog at <u>www.creativejourneystudios.blogspot.com</u>. Jeff Dever is teaching two sessions of our first class, Miniature Polymer Holloware and Reusable Forms. The first session in April 2-4, 2017 and the second is April 5-7, both 10:00 to 5:00. There is still room in both classes.

To register call 404-314-5767



Special thanks to all the people who recently signed up for the newsletter. Also to all the people who liked our facebook page, we like all the comments. We were excited to hit 1000 likes. You make us feel loved! Sue and Ellen

Classes by Members

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



Saturday, April 8, 2017 Sculpt a Dragon from Christy Sherman ~ 10 am - 3 pm

This workshop will be an in depth exploration of all things dragon as we sculpt one in relief. We will work in polymer clay, and cover different techniques to sculpt, model, and texture the dragon. Relief sculpture is a marvelous combination of 2 and 3 dimensional techniques, drawing and sculpting at the same time.

This is a great starting point for anyone who wants to try sculpting or polymer clay. No experience needed, and techniques will apply to any sculpting project you do, not just dragons.

\$100 Members \$135 Non-members \$25 Material fee - All materials included

(*NOTE* - for anyone who's already into polymer clay, let me know if you'll be attending. I can send you the materials list so you can waive that fee.)

Diane Villano: Teaching at Hobby Lobby, 1777 Boston Post Road, Milford, CT 06512 Register by email at <u>FoxonRiverDesign@yahoo.com</u>, on my website at DianeVillano.com or call 203-887-3392.

Saturday, April 8, 2017

Easter Egg Pin ~ 10 am - 1 pm

Remember those charming European sugar eggs the Easter Bunny would leave in your basket? Invoke that childhood memory in a pin you'll be proud to wear. If available, bring your standard polymer clay tool kit and small shape cutters. I will supply everything else including polymer clay, glue, glitter and jewelry findings. Class fee: \$36. *Review: I have taken this class and it is fun and light hearted. I also learned a few of Diane's secret techniques. I hightly recommend it. – Michelle Pini*





Kristie Foss: Teaching at Meiklem's Kilnworks in Bozrah, CT. To register online go to: <u>http://www.meiklemkilnworks.com</u>

Saturday, April 1, 2017

Surface Embroidery with Polymer ~ 9 am - 2 pm

Embroidery with needle and thread can take a while. With polymer, we're able to produce the same effect, and it's fun! Come learn how to embroider with clay. This process uses tiny amounts of clay, on a clay base, and the end result is lovely. Participants will need clay in your choice of colors, pasta machine, glossy work surface, sharp tissue blades, knitting needle, tapestry needle or toothpicks, jewelry findings if you wish, and other clay tools of your choice.

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:

Contact Gerry Pieper to schedule the Traveling Exhibit in a Library or other public space near you. <u>gerryssilver@att.net</u>

-Welcome New Members

New Members are always welcome!

10 Members attended the February meeting,

Agenda:

Demo – Jackie McKinney – Flower Demo Weekend of Clay - Class voting results and sign up starting RI Librarian Convention is interested in a BOH workshop to take place during the convention, probably May. Discuss Show-n-tell

Southern CT Polymer Clay Guild

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



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

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

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Where do we meet?



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)