

Southern Connecticut Polymer Clay Guild

Website: <http://scpcg.org>



Now-A-Newsletter

Meeting on: July 15th at 11:00 am

NAN Submissions, Email: scpcgnan@outlook.com

Meeting Location: Beach House

Take Note

The July and August meetings will be held at the Beach House. Remember to place the parking pass that was attached to with the NAN in the front car window.

Membership Brochures, Guild Bylaws, and Membership Lists were emailed out June 26th. If someone didn't get the email, let Sharon know - sharchar@gmail.com

Also, if any updates are needed, please email the info to her. Links to member websites/blogs/stores should also be passed along.

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Meeting Agenda

Demo - Debbie Goodrow - Scrap Clay Resurrection

We need a new Guild Librarian. The guild Library has been with Debbie Goodrow for a number of years now, and it needs a new home. Debbie's house will be going through some major renovations (thanks to Tweed New Haven Airport's sound remediation efforts for its neighbors). It would fit in the bottom of a closet. You would have to be willing to bring it to most guild meetings. Guild members will help bring it in out of your car, and back to your car at the meeting. It is a couple of bags and one rolling case, so consider how you would bring it in and out at home; Debbie has 7 steps and managed it. The perk is that you have 24/7 access to the entire library, any takers?

From Diane Villano: **(Workshop Volunteers Needed)**

"Yesterday, I spoke with Ronit Shoham, the president of Cut Out Cancer (cutoutcancerct.org). Every second Monday, Milano Salon and Day Spa in Bloomfield, CT offers free services such as hair & scalp treatments, message, facials, nail services, etc. to help those undergoing cancer treatment.

One of their board members was given a Bottle of Hope, and they found our BoH website. At first, Ronit was asking for Bottles to distribute, and I suggested we hold a BoH workshop at their site, as they have an art therapy component to their program. They are very interested, and would like to set a date in September or October if possible."

Guild Outreach Project – Ronald McDonald Tree

We'll take a vote for this year's theme:

- Things with Wings - birds, angels, dragonflies, butterflies, insects, flying fish, etc.
- Birds and Blooms - birds and florals
- Winter Wonderland - everything to do with snow and keeping warm, outside sports like skiing, snowshoeing, sledding, indoor coziness like hot chocolate, quilts, popcorn, nap with a cat (personal favorite).

City Wide Open Studios - Discussion Guild participation at Erector Square Oct 28 & 29?

Clay Day Discussion (Wallingford?)

Synergy: August 13-16, Who's going?

Show-n-tell

Looking Ahead

Demos:

August – Marilyn Malcarne – Felting Continued

TBD – Sharon Mihalyak – Foil Fun

TBD – Debbie Goodrow – Scrap Clay Resurrection

Any Other Volunteers?

Deep River Muster and Tattoo - Marilyn Malcarne has invited us to the Tattoo on Friday July 14th.

For info check out: http://deepriverct.us/Pages/DeepRiverCT_Webdocs/DRAM

<http://dram.fifedrum.org/>

Guest Instructor Marie Segal - Sept 30 & Oct 1:

Classes - Tripping the Light Translucent & Disk Earrings

Email was sent out with details. Class full - wait-list for those interested Contact Debbie Goodrow

It will be our 20th Anniversary! We have the hall so let's party Saturday night!

It would be great to invite old members. Lori Michels volunteered to make the cake!

Lisa Gauthier says she can help take care of the catering.

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!

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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.

Kudos!

Congratulations to Carol Monahan, who has put her Steampunk collection in Ally Bally Bee in New Canaan CT. This is a very unique store, check it out. <http://instagram.com/allyballybeect>



Classes by Members

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

Saturday, July 15, 2017

Reversible Tile Bracelet! ~ 9 am - 2 pm

Make 2 pieces at one time! In this project, we will learn to make surface sheets with 2 different designs that, through a series of steps, will turn into tiles with reversible sides. The tiles will then be assembled into a bracelet you can wear right away!

Materials: Clay in colors that are complimentary or will work well in a Skinner blend, pasta machine, glossy work surface, sharp tissue blades, needle tool, ruler, rubber stamps, permanent ink pad (black), 1mm elastic bead cord, size 8 seed beads. Instructor will have elastic cord, seed beads and ink pad to share, or you may bring your own. \$45



Kristie Foss: Teaching at Thistlebeads in Niantic, CT
To register online go to: www.thistlebeads.com



Sunday, July 23, 2017

Kaleidoscope Cane Fun! ~ 1 - 4 pm

This cane is a lot of fun. It's relatively simple to make, and will look different every time you make one. Your choice of colors and basic shapes will make a great difference in the overall look of the cane, and experimentation is encouraged. You will use the same base to create both a round and a square cane. Materials: Pasta machine, Large glass/glossy tile work surface, Tissue blades, Polymer clay: Colors of your choice, Cutters: square, triangle, round, Bead-baking pins if desired, and Findings as appropriate.

Sunday, August 6, 2017

Calla Lily 3-D Flower with Leaves ~ 1 - 4 pm

Come learn to make a sculptural Calla lily flower in polymer! We will make 3-dimensional calla lilies as well as leaves to compliment the flowers. Size, details and use are up to the artist. This will be another fun workshop!



Materials: Pasta machine, Large tile or glass work surface, Tissue blade, Clay in your choice of colors, Shape cutters - circle, oval or tear drops work best, Toothpick, Corn starch, Cotton Batting, Genesis medium, and Findings (optional).



Saturday, August 12, 2017

Adjustable Tube Bead Lariat! ~ 9 am - 2 pm

This workshop will give you the opportunity to try several different techniques and put them all together in a lovely, wearable piece of art. We will start with a fun square cane, use it to cover a tube bead, create end caps and end beads, and learn how to "thread" the tube bead with buna cord to allow the straps to be adjustable. Materials: Clay in 2-3 colors of your choice as well as white and black, pasta machine, glossy work surface, sharp tissue blades, and small circle shape cutters. Instructor will have buna cord and dowels for tube formation to share, or you may bring your



Sunday, September 17, 2017

Pearl-X & Real Leaves ~ 1 - 4 pm

Here is a great project for fall. We will be using pearl-x powders, polymer clay and real leaves – bring any that intrigue you! The samples can be used as pendants or pins, but your imagination will take you in any direction you wish. Materials: Pasta machine, Large tile or glass work surface, and Tissue blade.

Other Items of Interest



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

Where and when will this installation take place?

November 10, 2017 to December 3, 2017 at the Spinning Plate Gallery in Pittsburgh, PA, USA.

A preview of Into The Forest will be on display at the Synergy4 polymer clay conference in Valley Forge, PA in August 2017.



From Diane Villano:


The Synergy4 team is thrilled to announce that [Staedtler](#) is bringing The Globe to our Conference.

If you contributed a tile to the Fimo 10 x 10 project, or if you are just interested to see all the contributed tiles, this is your opportunity!

If you are not a Conference or RetreatPlus! attendee, we are offering tickets to the general public to attend the Opening Reception on Sunday, August 13, starting at 6pm. The event includes free nibbles and a cash bar, and access to the **Gallery of Synergy4 attendees' work for sale, micro businesses selling unique items, the Vendor Hall and the Staedtlr Globe.**


Tickets are \$25 each and they must be booked in advance as walk-ins are not possible.

We hope to see many of you there. To get your ticket, go to: <https://www.theipca.org/index.php/synergy4-reg>



IPCA August 13-16 2017
www.synergyconference.net

SYNERGY4
A new leaf



Are you wondering just what that FIMO 50th Anniversary Globe looks like?

Do You want to see your FIMO Globe tile up close and personal?

You Can!
and you don't even have to be a member of the IPCA. We're offering a **SPECIAL WELCOME RECEPTION PASS** for \$25.

You'll attend only the Sunday night Welcome Reception, see the FIMO Globe on display, enter the Gallery & Vendor Hall and partake of tasty appetizers.

Pre register by August 6th.
This offer is for individuals who are Not Currently Registered for Synergy4 or Retreat Plus!.
Go to synergyconference.net - home page hit the Register Button

Diane Villano also sent us this great link: **Check out the 3-D hoop embroidery with polymer clay!**

http://www.thisiscolossal.com/2017/06/hoop-embroidery-with-clay/?mc_cid=bd48080893&mc_eid=fe656fce09



“Artist Justyna Wołodkiewicz mixes embroidery with abstract clay forms in order to produce three-dimensional works that spring from traditional hoops. The pieces weave together bold threads with equally bright polymer clay shapes, creating multi-textured surfaces from the diverse materials.

The artist typically starts with a miniature sketch before embarking on molding the clay structures she wishes to include in each piece, stitching the final clay works into the surface of the embroidered hoop. Wołodkiewicz sells her works on her Etsy shop “Nibyniebo” which means “just like the sky.”

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:

July: Deep River Library
 August: Old Saybrook 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!

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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

16 Members attended the June meeting,

Agenda:

Demo – Leah Stancil – Felting
 Challenge Items Due – “Make something inspired by the Guild Library”
 Show-n-tell

Where do we meet?

Sept-June:



Hagan 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)