

NAN Submissions, Email: scpcgnan@outlook.com

Meeting Location: Hagaman Library

Take Note

Please be aware that membership is January through December and is still \$25.00 Dues will be collected at the meeting.

Meeting Agenda

Demo – No Demo, due to the cancelation of our December meeting. The pot luck lunch and tag sale will be this month.

Tag Sale and Pot-Luck-Luncheon:

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.

Looking Ahead

Demos:

TBD - Lisa Gauthier - Chintz TBD – Marilyn Malcarne Felting Variations - Felting Continued TBD – Sharon Mihalyak – Foil Fun Any Other Volunteers?

Weekend of Clay - Foxon Firehouse has been reserved for March 10 & 11, 2018. Send class proposals to Sharon at <u>sharchar@gmail.com</u>

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Clay ConneCTion 2018 Retreat will be held July 26-29 at Connecticut College New London, CT. Planning will begin shortly (ie: if you did it last time - consider yourself signed up! Thank you!!!!)

Guild Librarian still needed: Don't you want ALL THOSE BOOKS AND TAPES at your house, so you can look up anything you desire???

Blogs, Blogs, and YouTube

I was looking for something new to put into our NAN and found Feedspot, which listed the top 50 blogs for Polymer Clay. I think it is worth checking out, https://blog.feedspot.com/polymer_clay_blogs, however I've listed some of the blog sites below and you can go directly them by using the links shown.

polymerclay.craftgossip.com

About Blog - Polymer Clay blog is about fimo and clay tips and tutorials. CraftGossip covers news written by craft people telling you about all the good stuff. We scour the net looking for the best craft ideas and projects and review them for you. We have divided this blog into many sub-blogs, covering topics ranging from knitting, crochet, bath & body, jewelry making, scrapbooking, sewing crafts etc. **Frequency** - about 3 posts per week

youtube.com/channel/UCCot..

Deutschland

About Blog - My name is Simon and I love to make polymer clay tutorials. I upload step by step video a week, sometimes even more. We at ClayClaim create characters, levels and all great stuff we can imagine just from clay. So far we have created clay creations from Clash Royale, Pokemon Go, TMNT, Zootopia and many more. **Frequency** - about 1 posts per week

polymerclaydaily.com

Columbus, Ohio

About Blog - My name is Cynthia Tinapple and I have been blogging daily here at PolymerClayDaily.com since 2005. I've been into polymer art for over 20 years. Now retired, I have even more time to grow and develop this global community. I'm a connoisseur and collector of polymer art. **Frequency** - about 4 posts per week

thebluebottletree.com

Springfield, MO

About Blog - The Blue Bottle Tree website has hundreds of articles about all aspects of working with polymer clay, including how to bake it, whether or not you need to seal it, and what tools need to be used with it. You'll find articles valuable for clayers at all levels from absolute beginner to seasoned professional. **Frequency** - about 1 post per week

thepolymerarts.com/blog

Aurora, CO

About Blog - The Polymer Arts is an informational magazine, not a how-to/tutorial magazine. It is polymer clay artist's magazine with articles on polymer clay design, techniques, tutorials, selling, events, and the life & craft of polymer clay artists with galleries, interviews, resources & more. **Frequency** - about 3 posts per week

reddit.com/r/polymerclay

San Francisco, CA

About Blog - A subreddit for polymer clay tutorials, shopping sites, and general clay chat. **Frequency** - about 11 posts per week

youtube.com/user/creativescu..

About Blog - I'm Rachel. I am a self-taught, Australian polymer clay crafter who started her clay journey in 2012 when I received my first blocks of Sculpey polymer clay for my birthday after being inspired by others on YouTube. Polymer clay is not my full time job, just a hobby **Frequency** - about 1 post per week

youtube.com/user/MissglossyA..

Maidstone

About Blog - I'm Maive. I am a polymer clay artist who likes creating videos and sharing them with you. I'll make anything from miniature cakes, to fantasy and animal sculptures to address environmental and cultural issues I care about, and of course I love the challenge of your requests. **Frequency** - about 1 post per month

youtube.com/user/PolymomoTea

About Blog - Turn imagination and creativity into something real with simple Crafting and DIY techniques, taught by a guy crafter. **Frequency** - about 1 posts per week

youtube.com/user/M0clay

Italia

About Blog - Here you'll find polymer clay projects every WEDNESDAY and SUNDAY (10 pm Italian time). I wish to share my polymer clay passion with those who cannot attend my classes... because they live far from Italy, or they have no money, or no time or they don't know about polymer clay. **Frequency** - about 2 posts per week

youtube.com/user/puddingfish..

Canada

About Blog - My name is Helga and I'm a Canadian crafter. Subscribe to my channel for DIY and polymer clay tutorials galore

sophieandtoffee.com/blog

Singapore

About Blog - A place for all Fake Sweets, Deco Art, Decoden, Clay Crafts & Whimsical creations. Sophie & Toffee has been incorporated in Jan 2012 and is still very much family-owned.

beadsandbeading.com/blog

Vancouver, BC, Canada

About Blog - Cindy Lietz is passionate about polymer clay beads & handmade jewelry. She is absolutely crazy about polymer clay. For over fifteen years now, she have been working with and have taught many different mediums including acrylic painting, children's art murals, painted glass, glass tile mosaics, punched tin, making handmade paper, scrapbooking, beaded jewelry.

clay-it-now.com/clay-it-now-..

Australia

About Blog - Clay-It-Now.com is your clay art and craft ideas center for beginners and all levels with clay model tutorials. It lets you know when new clay design, ideas, creations, updates and free clay model tutorials. **Frequency** - about 1 posts per week

katersacres.com/blog

NW Pennsylvania

About Blog - KatersAcres.com is a polymer clay company run by Katie Oskin. We specialize in whimsical character and personality driven sculpting. We believe in taking beginner polymer clay hobbyists and transforming them into ARTISTS through our tutorials (both free and paid), blog, and website. **Frequency** - about 1 posts per week

polymerclayworkshop.com

About Blog - My name is Meg. I live in absolute wonder of being alive! I have an inexplicable passion for colors and patterns. I love inventing new polymer clay cane techniques and sharing them with people all over the world.

petitplat.fr/blog

Vannes, France, Europe

About Blog - Inspired by natural forms, Stéphanie Kilgast grows colorful organic sculptures on abstract backgrounds, celebrating the beauty of nature and opposing it with abstraction, often a metaphor for the brutal impact of human activities on Earth's biodiversity. She is a mixed media artist with a penchant for polymer clay. **Frequency** - about 1 posts per week

keepsakecrafts.net/blog/cate..

About Blog - KeepsakeCrafts has Creative Tutorials That Inspire. If you are a creative person you'll love my weekly jewelry & polymer clay projects designed to inspire you to create and try new techniques. **Frequency** - about 1 posts per week

shadesofclay.com/blog

About Blog - Shades of Clay, a Canadian supplier of unique and inspiring art supplies. We specialize in Polymer Clay, Alcohol Ink, Mixed Media and Jewelry supplies. We were a founding member of the Southern Ontario Polymer Clay Guild and are a member of the Craft and Hobby Association.

makingfairies.com/blogs/blog

Utah

About Blog - My name is Apryl Jensen and I've lived in the Rocky Mountain area of Utah most of my life.My main sculpting medium has been polymer clay, though I occasionally work with Apoxy Sculpt and air-dry clays. I love sculpting fantasy figures, and I like to keep my characters very life like, making the fantasy as close to reality as I can convey. I love the human body and its many beautiful nuances.

2goodclaymates.blogspot.com

British Columbia, Canada

About Blog - I am Carolyn Good and my hubby is Dave Good and we are also best friends -- or more like "soul" mates. My passion is creating with polymer clay and Dave helps with some of the finishing details. We love to create unique one of a kind wearable art pieces, beads, buttons and more. **Frequency** - about 1 posts per week

debbiecrothers.com/blog

About Blog - The blog of polymer clay Artist & Instructor Debbie Crothers. See what Deb gets up to in her Geraldton Studio, creating amazing polymer clay jewelry. **Frequency** - about 1 post per week

ornamentacademy.com/my-blog

About Blog - My name is Maria Maestri and I have been making Christmas ornaments for 45 years. When I first started I used salt dough but soon switched to polymer clay which I love. **Frequency** - about 1 post per week

paisleylizard.com/blog

Silver Spring, MD

About Blog - Paisley Lizard is a blog about adventures in jewelry designs, techniques, and materials, focused on beads, wire, and polymer clay. Tammy also create keepsake boxes, ornaments, and other home decor items using polymer clay and mixed media techniques.

fulgorine.wordpress.com

England

About Blog - I am originally from South Africa, but I have been living in the UK for nearly half my life. I have always loved making things, and have tried several mediums over the years; traditional painting and drawing, stained glass, digital work and most recently polymer clay. **Frequency** - about 1 posts per week

whitegothic.com/blog

About Blog - White Gothic Studios produces a line of push molds to make dolls and jewelry, as well as some other new products as well. Bringing the wonderful world of dollmaking to beginners who can get up and running in no time using easy-to-use push molds and polymer clay. **Frequency** - about 1 post per month

polymerclayproductions.blogs..

About Blog - Polymer Clay TV came out of a partnership of two crafty women, Ilysa Ginsburg & Kira Slye. Ilysa & Kira have worked together since 2006 when they met online when they formed the Polymer Clay Artists Guild of Etsy (PCAGOE). Polymer Clay TV was born from this and is still going strong after 7 years. **Frequency** - about 1 posts per week

tooaquarius.com

Swift Current, SK, Canada

About Blog - Elaine spend a lot of my days playing with clay. My clay of choice is polymer clay, an oven bake clay, although I love ceramic and air drying clays as well. Polymer clay comes in all sorts of colours, mixes like paints, stays usable for years, can be used for everything from jewellery to whimsical critters to prototyping manufacturing parts.

beadcomber.blogspot.com

About Blog - Polymer clay and Handmade Jewelry creations, Tutorials and eye candy.

youtube.com/user/ToniEllison

About Blog - I'm Toni, and I make miniatures & jewelry. I like working with polymer clay.

<u>youtube.com/user/TheBroodingTom</u>

United States

About Blog - This channel is about polymer clay sculpting and I'm a learn-as-I-go Polymer Clay Artist. Here I do time-lapse sculpting demonstrations using Polymer Clay where I make things like a 3-headed dragon, or an alien. I film the entire process each time and edit a video series for you guys. **Frequency** - about 1 post per month

youtube.com/user/CelidoniaSt..

Italy

About Blog - Polymer Clay Fairies, Rabbits, Robins, and other ooak little creature, 1/12 scale Miniatures for dollhouse. Tutorials with a hint of fairytale, an open door to the Celidonia's fairy world and Daniela Messina's mini sculptures. **Frequency** - about 1 post per month

youtube.com/user/Myself679

About Blog - My name is Ludmila Bakulina (aka Selfia). This is my video channel "Sweety Bejou" where you can find videos of polymer clay tutorials made by with full process or with some tricks which can help you. I create jewellery almost 3 years and really love this hobby (job). **Frequency** - about 1 posts per week

youtube.com/channel/UC6Nu..

Poland

About Blog - Polymer clay tutorials, sculpting videos and stop motion animation - that's what you can find on my channel. My name is LoreChirik, I'm from Poland and I love making art and sharing it with the world:) New videos every few days. Subscribe to see them. **Frequency** - about 1 posts per week

aleahklay.blogspot.com

About Blog - I am a self taught artist. I've been messing around with all kinds of different mediums for as long as I can remember. I love creating mixed medium 3 dimensional pieces. Some of the materials I regularly use are polymer clays, fabric, acrylics, chalk pastels, fabric dye and paints, copic markers, Wire, leather, faux fur, mohair, viscose. **Frequency** - about 1 post per week

hillovelyenglish.blogspot.com

About Blog - My name is Hilla, I am married with two daughters. For more than 10 years I have been a polymer artist. In fact, I'am an art teacher (handiwork) but over the years my income came from other sources .lWelcome to my polymer clay world

bpcg.org.uk/blog

About Blog - British Polymer Clay Guild is a non profit making organisation based in the UK, run by volunteers for members who are interested in learning and sharing tips & techniques about polymer clay. Formed in 1997, the Guild is open to all who are interested in polymer clay, from beginners to professionals. This include miniaturists, jewellery makers, sculptors and anyone else who works with polymer clay.

learnpolymerclay.blog

Thionville, France

About Blog - I'm Mihaela Georgescu. I am a Polymer Clay Teacher and a Jewelry Making Artist. I love to provide fresh inspiration, tips and tricks for your work with polymer clay. For me, polymer clay is like a magical clay. You can sculpt it, draw on it, stamp it, paint on it, make embossed impressions using textures, add inclusions, transfer images on it, etc. **Frequency** - about 1 post per month

Other Items of Interest

Sharon sent us links to two great articles



http://desiredcreations.com/howTo PJCrackedClay.htm

HowTo Crackle Polymer Clay Techniques - Desired Creations desiredcreations.com This tutorial provides easy to follow steps on various simple ways to make polymer clay crackle by applying controlled heat to the surface.

https://polymerclayjourney.com/2017/02/15/polymer-clay-colors-when-baked/

Polymer Clay Colors When Baked – Polymer Clay Journey

polymerclayjourney.com

Raw polymer clay colors are beautiful, but what really matters is what they look like after they're baked. I tried to compare apples to apples by using similar colors ...



- <u>Traveling Exhibit</u>

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:

Stamford – Carol Monahan Kampfe Newtown – Lisa Procaccini Groton - Melinda Collins

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!

Minutes

December 2017 meeting cancelled due to snow.

Where do we meet?

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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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)