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# Newsletter

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Meetings are held on the third Wednesday of each month at the "Outlet" in Leigh Square, Port Coquitlam from 7-9pm

## FROM THE PRESIDENT

Here it is April already, a quarter of the way through the year. On the weekend of April 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup>, Port Moody will be holding their annual Art Walk, come and visit some of us at The Boathouse (not the restaurant) in Rocky Point Park. The opening for this event will be Friday April 23<sup>rd</sup> from 6:30 – 8:30 upstairs at The Boathouse. We will be handing out clay for making pit-fired pots at our next meeting, bring your toonie to get enough clay to make a piece. We hope you are all making a wonderful piece of work for our show in September at Port Moody's Blackberry Gallery, it will have to be finished by June so we can have photos taken. As usual, there are lots of activities to participate in! I hope you are all enjoying Spring weather and getting lots of pots made."

June

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## UPCOMING MEETING

Wednesday April 21, 2010

In the

## OUTLET

Leigh Square, Port Coquitlam

For the next meeting we will again be sharing information. We are asking members to bring ideas about tools, methods, shortcuts and glaze information.

June will collect this information for us to share.

For this meeting, also, we will have clay available for sale in small bags. These 500 gm. bags will be for anyone who wishes to use it for our upcoming pit-firing. If you prefer to use your own clay, that is an option for you.

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## MINUTES FROM THE LAST MEETING on Mar. 17, 2010

- The meeting was called to order by June MacDonald at 7:15 pm
- There were 27 members present.

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## Announcements

- We are being encouraged to have a representative from TriCity Potters on the board at Leigh Square. If anyone is interested they may let any executive member know. There were no volunteers from the floor.
- Because of the cost of renting this space, we are forced to begin looking elsewhere for a place to hold our meetings. We are looking for lower rent and more flexible hours for set-up and take-down prior and after meeting times. There were several suggestions from the floor and executive members made note of this and will follow-up with information.
- The Port Moody Art Walk takes place on the 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> of April. Anyone who wishes to join the group at the "Old Boathouse" should let someone know as soon as possible.
- We are planning another pit-firing, and Dan has again volunteered to do the firing for us. At the next meeting there will be small bags of clay (500 grams ea) for \$2. each. Or you may use your own clay. Bisque-fired pieces should be brought to the May meeting.
- Lewis announced that he will be stepping down as V.P., and briefly described what the position entails. Members were asked if anyone is prepared to stand for that position, and may contact any executive member or Lewis himself for more information about the position.
- Gillian announced the opening of "Clay 2010" at the Evergreen Centre, and that Judy Burke was honoured for her "Body of Work".
- Linda Reedman is going to 100 mile house, and is requesting information about how to assess the cost of firing. Brigitte S. will pass some information she has along to me.

Following the business portion of the meeting, we were very fortunate to have the well known Vancouver potter, Laura van der Linde

as our special guest. Laura very generously herself and showed slides of slip making and pots.

Be sure to check out the [www.tricitypotters.ca](http://www.tricitypotters.ca) and more information and Laura.



shared information about her homeland in South Africa. She demonstrated her methods of decorating her beautiful

website, go to the "hotspot" for slides of our evening with

Next meeting

Wednesday,  
April 21, 2010  
7pm

The Outlet  
Leigh Square  
Port Coquitlam

**TRICITY POTTERS FALL SHOW  
IN PORT MOODY**

This is our chance to shine

Our OWN show is coming up in the Fall in Port Moody.

This show is an excellent opportunity to show your best work! Not every piece submitted will be accepted for display, and those decisions will be made by Port Moody curator. The space is not large, but we do need many submissions to make it a really good exhibition of our varied abilities and styles.

This is a wonderful opportunity to learn about what it takes to have your own work exhibited, and to participate in a show juried by someone outside our own group.

Begin creating now, and save your best work. Then **bring your two favourites to the meeting in June**. There is no specific theme, so let your creativity flow.

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**THE GREEN REVOLUTION**

Leigh Square is now taking art submissions for our next juried exhibition. We are looking for artists who work in any number of media and have something to say, be it positive or negative, about the increasing movement towards a "greener" world. Please read the below poster for more information and submit your artwork! Submissions must include:

- Completed application form (attached)
- Up to 3 jpegs of each artwork (web quality please, 72 dpi)
- An artist statement (max 300 words)

The work must fulfill the following requirements:

- **All submissions must be original work.**

Successful entries must ensure that:

- The artwork is ready to be exhibited by the submission deadline
- 3D art work is stable and secure
- Artwork can, but is not required to be for sale. In the case of a sale, the artist will receive 80% of the selling price and 20% will go to the Arts Village to build Arts and Culture community programs.
- Artists agree to insure work during exhibition dates and while in transit to/from Leigh Square Community Arts Village if applicable.

## PORT MOODY ARTS WALK

Once again the annual Port Moody Arts walk will take place, and the TriCity Potters will be a part of it. The opening reception will be upstairs at the Boathouse club at Rocky Point, (not the restaurant), on Friday April 23.

The evening is open to the public, is free of charge, and consists of a display representing the kind of work that will be seen over the weekend. This is a social event with refreshments, and in the past there has been music..

The Arts Walk will take place over the weekend of Saturday and Sunday the 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup>, and our members will have a shared exhibit there at the Boathouse, downstairs. Past events that have been sunny have allowed us to open the large doors, and we become visible to many park visitors. I will personally contact each participant with further details about time, and cost.

If you are not involved in the event, come on out and visit us and the studios of other local artists. Club members Gillian McMillan and Martha Meimetis. will be exhibiting in their home studios.

For information and downloadable map in April, visit [www.artsconnect.ca](http://www.artsconnect.ca) or call 604-931-8255.

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## ART WALK, Vancouver

Vancouver's Art Walk begins with the group show "Jump Start", Thurs., Apr. 29, at the Roundhouse in Yaletown. This preview exhibition opens at 11 a.m.; artists will be in attendance 7 to 10 p.m.

The Art Walk takes place on Sat. & Sun., May 1 & 2, 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.

There are 52 artists opening their studios and galleries to the public in 31 locations on the eastside of Vancouver, including the following ceramic artists: **Suzy Birstein, Olga Campbell, Martin Peters, Phyllis Schwartz, Olga Turok, Suzanne Starr and Billy Wittman.** Visit a studio and talk to the artists about their process or enjoy the unique environment of an artist-created gallery.

The Vancouver Maritime Museum is a venue this year, showcasing the work of one of our internationally-celebrated photographers. Free admission to the museum is included when you show your Artists in Our Midst brochure. We are also proud to include Lord Byng, Mini School of the Fine Arts, in our exhibition and gallery tour, an opportunity to view the work of emerging young artists. Check the artist pages on the Artists in our Midst website for contact information: [www.artistsinourmidst.com/events](http://www.artistsinourmidst.com/events)

Admission is free. Design your own walking tour by using the downloadable map (see website above).

## MESSAGE FROM PAT SCENDEL

You are cordially invited to our Spring Show at

Kariton Gallery,  
2387 Ware Street  
,Abbotsford.

Opening Sun, April 25<sup>th</sup>, 1-4pm, and running until May 12<sup>th</sup> 1010  
Hours: Tues –Fri.9am -4pm, Sat. & Sun. 12 noon -4pm

( the previously announced date of April 17 is changed due to renovations at the gallery)

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### SPRING SALE: North Delta Potters

Friday, May 7th, 5-9pm  
Saturday, May 8th, 9am-5pm  
ArtSpace' Rotary Wheelhouse Studio  
11425-84th Ave, North Delta  
[www.northdeltapotters.com](http://www.northdeltapotters.com)

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### AMELIA DOUGLAS GALLERY

Our own member Kay Bonathan has teamed up with artist Jim Adams for a show at the Amelia Douglas Gallery at Douglas College in New Westminster. It is a wonderful opportunity to work together with an artist in another medium, and to produce work that is worthy of a show.

Congratulations Kay and Jim. I hope many of our members will get out to see this show.

Art card is below.



Pat Schendel, president of the Fraser Valley Potters Guild particularly asked me to include members of TriCity Potters in this invitation. What a great opportunity, and a great price. Also, a great chance to get to socialize with our friends on the South side of the river.

### **MEIRA MATHISON WORKSHOP**

**April 30 and May 1**

We have plenty of room still to sign up for Miera Mathison's workshop at Kwantlen college ceramics Room. We'd like to fill the room with 40 people.

Schedule:

Friday evening 6pm-10pm. Meira will be throwing and beginning to alter freshly thrown pots.

Saturday from 10am -4pm .She will continue to alter pots, finish them , talk about glazing and show images of her work.

Cost is only \$40 for both days! If you can only attend the Friday evening session, the cost is just \$10

Register through Pat Schendel : email [patschendel@shaw.ca](mailto:patschendel@shaw.ca) or phone 604-594-0470. Cheques made out to FVPG can be mailed to me in advance or given to me at the door.

Non-members welcome provided there is room

Please bring a pot-luck item to share for lunch on Sat. Coffee and tea and cookies provided for Fri and Sat.

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### **WORKSHOP WITH VINCENT MASSEY**

Whistler potter, Vincent Massey, has agreed to bring his expertise to our Delta studio to help us "Perfecting the Humble Slab Dish" in May, 2010. He will conduct two one-week hands-on workshops in the studio for potters at all levels of ability. We will be making moulds and using them and the extruder to make pieces. In addition, Vincent will demonstrate the making of a harp cutting tool that each participant will make and take home. There will be a material fee of approx. \$20.00 per person for mould and tool materials which will be collected at the workshop.

Do not delay in booking your spot for this exciting opportunity!  
The cost of the workshop is \$250.00 for 5 full days of instruction and inspiration.

Week 1

May 10 – 14 Monday to Friday from 9 am to 4 pm

Week 2

May 17 – 21 Monday to Friday from 9 am to 4 pm

For more information please contact Molly Magid at [mmagid@shaw.ca](mailto:mmagid@shaw.ca) or call 1-604-814-0111.

There are only a few spots left in each week so don't delay in responding.

Deadline for registration is March 1, 2010.

Happy Potting to all,

Molly

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### SELLING OPPORTUNITIES

Please pass this along to all potters, painters, jewellery designers, glass artists, textile artists, wood carvers, photographers and other visual artists who are interested in sales this summer.

**Come and be a part of Abbotsford's  
Canada Day Juried Artisan Market  
July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2010**

**Deadline for application April 30,2010**

Abbotsford's Canada Day Celebration is the largest regular community event of the year. 18,000 people attended last year. It's held at Exhibition Park and the market will be in the main area of Rotary Stadium in the highest traffic area.

The approximate hours of the market will be 1pm to 9pm.

Each participant will be provided a table and 2 chairs under a tent.

**There will be interac onsite and plenty of marketing will be done to ensure public awareness of the market.**

There is a \$25. refundable deposit and 15% commission due at the end of the day.

This is a regional call and the artist must be the maker of the original works and be onsite during the event-

Information on how to maximize sales and create client relationships will be provided.

How to Apply:

1. Send up to 6 images (jpeg) along with your contact information and some information about yourself

and other exhibitions you have participated in. Don't worry if you are an emerging artist and this is your first event!

2. A jury will be reviewing the submissions in early May and participants will be notified by email whether they are approved. Artisans who applied last year and didn't make it are encouraged to send images of new works for consideration.

Those who are accepted will be sent a form in May to fill out and return along with a deposit cheque for \$25 which will be returned on Canada Day. If the artist does not show up, the cheque will be cashed as an administration fee.

15% commission on sales payable to the City of Abbotsford will be collected by cash or cheque at the end of the day.

Information about the details about the day and where to park, set up etc. will be sent out closer to July 1st.

#### **Contact Information**

Name:

Tamaka Fisher- Arts and Heritage Coordinator

Email Address:

[tfisher@abbotsford.ca](mailto:tfisher@abbotsford.ca)

Website

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#### **LOOKING AHEAD to Christmas sales** (Check out the website )

Dear Exhibitor,

The 33<sup>rd</sup> Annual Creative Craft Fairs is now accepting applications! This years fair runs November 12<sup>th</sup> to 14<sup>th</sup> and is held at Pearkes Recreation Centre in Victoria.

More information and application forms can be filled out at

[www.creativecraftfairs.com](http://www.creativecraftfairs.com)

Please note the increase of booth fees is due to the HST tax.

We apologize if you have received this e-mail more than once.

We look forward to receiving your application.

Kind Regards,

Deanna Walters

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### MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION

FREE KILN, Lower Mainland

Estrin Q4C Kiln, Model LT4, 230 V.A.C., 45 AMPS, 60HZ. You pick up.

604-734-0454,

Carol

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Maple Ridge Pitt Meadows Art Studio Tour

Saturday, April 17 and Sunday, April 18, 2010

Go to [www.artstudiotour.ca](http://www.artstudiotour.ca) for all of the details.

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CLAY CONNECTS, Victoria

Opening reception May 8; 7 to 9 p.m.

Mon.-Sat., May 9 to June 3; 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

The South Vancouver Island Potters Guild will commemorate its 10th anniversary with an exhibition at the Martin Bachelor Gallery. There will be a wide variety of styles and interpretations exhibited by local ceramic artists in a gallery setting, demonstrating the the best and most creative work by our members. Both functional and sculptural genres will be presented to celebrate our connection to each other via the versatile medium of clay.

Martin Bachelor Gallery, 712 Cormorant Street, Victoria, BC

250-383-3893 - [avadon.pottery@shaw.ca](mailto:avadon.pottery@shaw.ca)

[www.victoriapotters.ca](http://www.victoriapotters.ca)

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Pottery Tour

Sat. & Sun., May 22 & 23; 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily

Ten potters at nine studios, free admission. Maps available at ferry booth;

SEE [www.denmanpotterytour2010.blogspot.com](http://www.denmanpotterytour2010.blogspot.com)