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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

Abby and the whole executive are wishing you a happy Holiday Season and Best Wishes for the New Year.



Abby is a lovely Golden Doodle, and the photo was taken by her Mom-person, Christine Eastlick

FROM THE PRESIDENT

To Tri City Potters, Members and Friends:

Tri City Potters has had a good year. We had two workshops, both very much enjoyed by participants. Currently showing, our bowl bonanza exhibit received a lot a lot of attention from the public, the box for people's choice was full of votes. These votes will be counted, and the prize awarded at our Christmas Party on Dec. 16th. At our last meeting, members voted in favour of buying our own projector, a nice Christmas gift to the group. Hopefully we will no longer be fussing around with cables that don't connect, or programs that don't work, because we will have been able to test things properly prior to the meetings.

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Wednesday,
January 20, 2010
7pm

The Outlet
Leigh Square
Port Coquitlam



Thank you all for coming out to meetings and participating in events, you are a great group. We have some exciting things planned for next year, so stay tuned. Here is wishing all of you a wonderful Christmas season, a milder winter than last year, and a New Year filled with good health, harmony and happiness.

June

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT

Wednesday, December 16, 2009

Come one, Come all. Bring spouses, partners, or “significant others”. The more the merrier and a better party will be enjoyed by all.

In place of our usual meeting, we have planned a **Christmas party** at the home of

Gillian and Alan McMillan.
2214 St. George St.
Port Moody
at 6:00 pm

The location is quite close to the Art Centre in Port Moody, and if anyone needs directions, please feel free to contact any one of the executive who will help you.

This is a chance to celebrate your pottery serving dish, and fill it with some food for sharing, (i.e. pot luck) and remember to BYOB

It would be helpful if you are able to RSVP to Gillian (604-937-7696) or by email so she can plan for space and cutlery, BUT JUST COME.

Instead of a gift exchange, we are asking everyone who can, to bring a donation to go to the local food bank, and...

...the winner of the “People’s Choice Award” for our bowls will be announced at the Christmas Party



MINUTES OF NOVEMBER MEETING

DATE: November 21, 2009

PLACE: The Community Room, Leigh Square, Port Coquitlam

- The meeting was called to order by June MacDonald at 7:10 pm, and there were just 15 people present.
- June began by announcing our bowls are now set up, but the finishing touches will be added to the display before the official opening on November 27.
- The membership was reminded that there will be a **Christmas Party** on Dec. 16, and to bring spouses, some food to share, and an item for the food bank.
- A raffle was held for Steve Irvine's pots, those left from his demo's and his beautiful teapot. Dan Severance is now the proud owner of a Steve Irvine copper red teapot. Enjoy Dan!
- Lewis made a presentation to the group explaining our need for a projector. The majority of our presenters require equipment to project images, and we have had nothing but trouble trying to accommodate their needs.

A motion allowing Lewis to pursue the purchase of a projector was passed by a show of hands.

- Linda Reedman announced that the "Whonnock Weavers and Spinners" are having a sale on Sunday November 29 from 11 to 4pm.

The activity for the evening was a presentation by our own member Clive Tucker. Clive is originally from England, studied pottery in Scotland, and achieved a BFA from Emily Carr. He showed slides of his history, shows he has participated in, and images from his early works as well as some current ones.

Thank-you for this Clive.

From Parks and Recreation, Surrey

It's that time again! The Winter Season is upon us and registration for this season's programs get underway starting today (Monday, November 30th, 2009). With the 2010 Winter and Paralympics Games falling within the same timelines, I think you'll find this season to be inspiring with lots of exciting events and opportunities available as part of the [City's 2010 Plan](#).

The Leisure Guide can be found online or you can pick up a copy of the Guide at your nearest Parks, Recreation & Culture facility, public library or City Hall. To be the first to secure your spot in one of our popular programs you may want to try online registration. Just visit webreg at <http://www.register.surrey.ca/> today to get started.

Enjoy your winter programs.

Sincerely,
The Parks 'n' Rec. Team

Aesthetics of the Ceramic Form A Workshop with Les Manning

Thursday, March 18 – Saturday, March 20, 2010

9am–4pm (lunch is Noon–1pm)

Surrey Art Gallery

Workshop Fee: \$180, including 1 bag of clay

Course # 4203621

This intensive workshop led by acclaimed Alberta ceramicist Les Manning is designed to concentrate on form, from the minimal nature of a horizontal plate, to the abstract quality of a bowl and the vertical character of the vessel, to find distinct statements in edges and volume that bring these three disparate objects into a recognizable family of forms. We tend to think of these objects in a singular manner, so the challenge is to create a complimentary signature in form that unites the end result. The workshop will include a combination of lectures, step by step demonstrations and group discussions. Participants will be able to develop a set of simple resolutions to complex problems. Previous throwing experience is required.

Day 1- The history of bowls, plates and vessels will be reviewed followed by step by step demonstrations of these items.

Day 2- Work through the techniques shown on day 1 at your own pace, including one to one advice from the instructor.

Day 3- In the morning complete any pieces started the previous day. In the

afternoon, have the opportunity to discuss your work and your experience in the workshop with other participants.

Les Manning is Senior Artist in Residence for the Medalta International Artist in Residence Program at the Shaw International Centre for Contemporary Ceramics in the Medicine Hat Clay Industries National Historic District of Alberta. A ceramic artist for 40 years, his work focuses on the interpretation of the Canadian Rocky Mountain landscape where he has lived for 25 years. His wheel thrown and altered forms capture the abstract qualities of this environment. These works have been exhibited worldwide. Les recently presented a workshop in Israel; this was the 46th country in which he has presented ceramic related activities.

Winter Sculpture and Pottery Classes at Place des Arts

POTTERY WHEEL THROWING & HANDBUILDING

18+ years (8 weeks)

Beginners will learn how to throw on the potter's wheel and create projects using hand building techniques. Continuing students will be assisted to progress at their own pace. Opportunities for special projects may be accommodated. We will cover making, finishing, decorating and glazing. Firing will be done for the students. Open studio time is available to registered students. A supply list is available from the registration desk.

Instructor: Vin Arora

Tuesdays • Jan 12 - Mar 2 • 9:30 - 11:30 AM • \$138.80

Tuesdays • Jan 12 - Mar 2 • 6:30 - 8:30 PM • \$138.80

Wednesdays • Jan 13 - Mar 3 • 1:00 - 3:00 PM • \$138.80

Wednesdays • Jan 13 - Mar 3 • 6:30 - 8:30 PM • \$138.80

Thursdays • Jan 14 - Mar 4 • 9:30 - 11:30 AM • \$138.80

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Saturdays • Jan 16 - Mar 6 • 9:30 - 11:30 AM • \$138.80

Consider trying our new sculpture class offering with talented instructor Parvaneh Roudgar at Place des Arts.



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SELLING OPPORTUNITY:
Abbotsford Olympic Live Site,
Dec 10 application deadline

Abbotsford has been chosen as an Olympic Live Site location and will be hosting celebrations at the new Abbotsford Recreation Centre from February 12-18, 2010. The public will be invited to watch Olympic events on numerous big screen TV's. Be entertained, eat, participate in activities, and shop in the indoor Market Place. The population of Abbotsford's is 140,000 and because Langley is not a Live Site location, we expect to get traffic from there as well as Mission.

In January, 38,000 event calendars will be inserted in the Abby News, 20,000 will be distributed to local schools as well as other marketing in the Fraser Valley and other markets.

The Market Place is held on the following dates and times:

Friday Feb 12, 5-9pm

Saturday Feb 13, 12-9pm

Sunday Feb 14, 12-9pm

Friday Feb 19, 5-9pm

Saturday Feb 20, 12-9pm

Sunday Feb 21, 12-9pm

Friday Feb 26, 5-9pm

Saturday Feb 27, 12-9pm

Sunday Feb 28, 12-9pm

If you would like to be a vendor, the cost is \$60 + GST for any 4 of the above date and time slots. Additional slots may be purchased for \$15 plus gst each. Deadline for application and payment for the market is December 10.

Send an email to Bruce Fatkin - Fatkin@shaw.ca for the form and if you have any other questions.

A Big Thank-you

A sincere thanks to everyone who helped to make this a successful year, and in particular to **Monika Viola** who stepped up to the plate and took on coffee and refreshment responsibilities. Great job.



The Filberg festival takes place annually in the Comox Valley. Items are juried by sending your best work, and the jury delivery deadline is Feb. 21. Jury applications are available at www.filbergfestival.com. Sylvia Allan, Filberg festival Producer, 250-334-9242, or info@filbergfestival.com

Porcelain conference Feb 5 to 7, 2010 in San Diego, California
www.ceramicartsdaily.org/education/porcelain/#Presenters

