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Newsletter



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Meetings are held on the third Wednesday of each month at the

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WE ARE NOW ON FACEBOOK.

FROM THE PRESIDENT

'Tis the season, hard to believe that it has again come around so quickly, it seems that each year goes by more quickly than the previous one. As a lot of you already know, we are having our Christmas party at Monica's home on Dec. 14th; I am looking forward to seeing you there. Don't forget your "pot-luck", a wrapped home or hand-made present, and your donation for the food bank.

I hope that this year has been a good selling season for those of you who are selling your wares, and I hope that all of you have had a chance to get out and see what is in the market place. I find that there is always something new and different to enjoy. For those of you who are unable to attend our Christmas gathering, I wish you all a happy holiday season, with Best Wishes for Christmas and for the New Year.

June



UPCOMING MEETING

As June mentioned above, Instead of our usual meeting on the third Wednesday of each month, this month we will be having our annual **Christmas Party**. It will be held on Wednesday, the 14th of December at the home of our member Monica Viola from 6:30 to 11pm. Thanks for this Monica.

You are invited to participate in our "Secret Santa" gift exchange by bringing a home made gift, or something a potter would like, wrapped to disguise the contents.

Also please bring a dish of food for sharing and anything you

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CHRISTMAS PARTY
Wednesday,
December 14, 2011
6pm

Port Moody Senior High
School
300 Albert St, Port
Moody, BC V3H 2M5



might like to drink. Monica will provide non-alcoholic drinks. We will also be collecting food items for the food bank as we have done in the past.

Bring your sweetie, or not, and get to know each other in a more social setting.

- Monica brought lovely invitations to our last meeting, and if you weren't there, you may contact someone who was, or one of the executive for her address and directions to get there.



MINUTES FROM THE LAST MEETING

Date: November 19, 2011

The business portion of this meeting was brief. June opened the meeting at 7:10 pm. There were announcements about the following:

- The Christmas party in place of the next meeting. Monica handed out beautiful invitations with her address and phone number.
- The Vancouver East Culture Crawl coming up
- Name-tags have been made for each member, please try to remember to pick them up and wear them during the meeting, then return them following. This might be easier than remembering to come with one.
- We now have a total of \$1250. in the bank following membership dues.

An announcement about "Light up the Square" and student sale at Place des Arts will be held on December 3.

Lewis made a suggestion that some clay problem-solving techniques might be solved in-house by members that are willing to share their knowledge with others. He provided a large sheet of paper and a marker for members to jot down any problems or issues they are encountering, and he will discuss possible solutions at a later date.

Following coffee, we were treated to an interesting presentation by Julie York. Julie is an instructor at ECUAD. She does non-functional art pieces which have been shown in major galleries in the US and Canada. Please see the website www.tricitypotters.ca for photos and more information.



THIS IS A REMINDER THAT THE EARLY REGISTRATION FOR NCECA IS A CONSIDERABLE SAVING OF \$\$\$

NCECA 2012: ON THE EDGE
The 46th Annual Conference
March 28 – 31, 2012 ~ Seattle, Washington
At the Washington State convention Center

Go to <http://nceca.net/> and click on Conference to register online or phone

NCECA is a dynamic organization that inspires passionate interest and cultivates thoughtful practice in ceramic arts and education through its annual conference, exhibitions, publications, resources and symposia.



Early Bird Registration is now open for

Non-member conference pass: \$225.00
Member conference pass: \$185.00
Student non-member pass: \$175.00
Student member pass: \$140.00
Individual membership: \$55.00
Student membership: \$25.00 **Prices are in US dollars.*



We received a lovely letter from Joy Silver, thanking us for the candlesticks, copied below, and she is also requesting someone to help her with volunteer work with grades 1 to 4 students. Joy is a trained teacher, and though it may be late now for Christmas decorations, if anyone is interested, would they please contact Joy Silver at odetojoy@telus.net



**Amnesty International
Local 176, Tri-Cities**

November 17, 2011

Dear Tri-City Potters,

Our Tri-Cities Amnesty Group wishes to thank you for your beautiful handwork of candlestick holders. As I visited the tables, guests offered very complimentary comments of appreciation for their gifts. They delighted in the opportunity to light their candles to help add to the atmosphere of the evening. We also want to thank the six members of your group who came to the dinner, which added to the importance of our work to address the injustices in our world.

Last night's event has been our best turn-out and donation success ever. Our funds will go toward our urgent action case responses and funding young people to attend leadership camps for students interested in justice issues volunteering and careers in justice making.

We wish you all a happy Christmas and continuous joy in creating beautiful pottery for yourselves and others.

Kindly,

Joy Silver and the Amnesty International Group 176 team

On another note, I am wondering if you or one of the potters would like to help me show some grade 1 - 4 students some starting techniques with clay. We would do some pinch pots and some Christmas ornaments. I will know the date by tomorrow. I could learn a lot from working alongside one of you and then keep on teaching some great techniques for many more classrooms where I volunteer throughout the district.

Kindly, Joy



If you are looking for an opportunity to show your work, this might be the opportunity for you. Below is the link to the Grand Junction Art Centre. Go to Art Exhibits, then to Exhibition opportunities, and you will find the information. The application date is January 18, but if you have some work that is gallery-ready, why not give it a try.

<http://gjartcenter.org/exhibition-opportunities/>





CPR Holiday Train Winter Festival

December 17, 4:00PM, Queens Street Plaza. The festivities start at 4, featuring entertainment by John Valdy and Tracey Brown. The train arrives at 5:45. Bring a donation for the SHARE food bank.

www.cpr.ca



This information is about the Board that concerns itself with Arts in the Tri City community.

Arts Connect Board

More congratulations - this time to Craig Townsend, new President of ArtsConnect, along with Vice-President Roger Loubert, and Secretary-Treasurer Sherry Carroll. Joan Roberts and Kelven Tan have just joined the Board, to work with Kathy Bell, Gabriela Caranfil, Johanne Dumas and Jillian Hull.




Craig Townsend is an engineer, an avid musician, and an ambassador of the arts through work with ArtsConnect, the Coastal Jazz and Blues Society, and various other groups. In his own words: "I am honoured to be elected President of ArtsConnect, and proud to serve such a high-functioning arts organization. The arts are critical to a healthy society and provide countless benefits to the social and economic well-being of our community."

Craig acknowledges the great contribution made to ArtsConnect by outgoing President, Marianne LaRoche. Marianne was instrumental in establishing the First Annual ArtsConnect Arts Summit, and making it a great success. Thank you to everyone on the board - past and present - for your time and energy as we move the arts forward.



More Arts in the Community

Our member Joyce Gillespie is involved in theatre productions in Maple Ridge, and just sent along some information about their most recent, and seasonal event.



**SPECC-tacular Productions and
Emerald Pig Theatrical Society present**

A Christmas Carol

A Musical
by
Michael DeMaio

December 13 - 17
The ACT in Maple Ridge
Dec. 13 - 16 at 7:30 pm
Dec. 17 at 12:00 and 6:00 pm
Tickets: \$20 or 4 for \$65
Ticket Centre: 604-476-2787
www.theactmapleridge.org



Though the reception is long past, the show is open until January 20.
Gallery is usually closed Sundays and Mondays

"Wallflowers & Beyond" *Christmas Group Show*

November 20th - January 20, 2011

OPENING RECEPTION: SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 20
1:00 - 4:30PM



*Encaustics by:
Stuart Allen*



*Paintings by:
Lynn Colpitts*



*Paintings by:
Judy Osioy*



*Pottery by:
Linda Lebrun*



*Paintings by:
Grazyna Wolski*



*Paintings by:
Friedrich Peter*



*Jewellery by:
Carol Kostachuk*

106 - 1320 Kingsway Ave.
Port Coquitlam BC
Located on Corner of Mary
Hill Bypass & Kingsway



*Quilts by:
Darlene Friesen*

For more information call Judy, 778 836-5454

FOR POTTERY CLASSES IN OUR AREA, contact the following for more information, or look for information on the “links” on our web-page.

Place des Arts at www.placedesarts.ca

Port Moody Arts Centre at www.pomoartscentre.ca

Shadbolt Centre for the Arts at www.shadboltcentre.com

Surrey Arts Centre at www.surrey.ca.

