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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

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Happy New Year Everyone! I hope that by now you have all managed to dig yourselves out of the snow banks, and are ready for some new ideas. To help these ideas along, we have an interesting program for our meeting in January with Sam Kwan showing us his favourite pots, and in February we are planning a one day workshop with D'Arcy Margesson with a focus on form. I hope that 2009 is a good clay year for all of you.

June

### Upcoming Meeting

January 21, 2009  
The Outlet in Leigh Square.  
7pm-9pm

- Our Butter box show is down, and the "Peoples' Choice" votes have been counted. The winner and prize will be announced at the upcoming meeting, so be sure to attend. Also remember to pick up your butter boxes, or ask someone else to pick it up for you.
- Our guest for this meeting is Capilano College's Ceramics Instructor and Potter Extraordinaire, Sam Kwan. Sam has been making his jugs, jars, teapots, bowls, plates, you name-it for decades now. At the same time he has inspired pottery students as the ceramics technician and teacher at Emily Carr, Shadbolt Centre, in many workshops, and now at Capilano College. He has a vast slide collection of historical and contemporary pots and will show us a selection of his favourites. He says he will bring in some of his own fine pots to show us too.

Sally Michener will be our guest later in the Spring.

### WORKSHOP ANNOUNCEMENT

- On Friday Feb 27th well-known Gibson's area potter D'Arcy Margesson will present a one-day workshop in our lovely large meeting room. Come for 9am and be prepared to be inspired to create new work as you listen to D'Arcy discuss the topic of 'Form'. He will show us images of all kinds of forms and then will demonstrate how some of them are made, using his signature red earthenware clay on the wheel. He will also show us some slip trailing.

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#### Next meeting

January 21  
7pm

The Outlet  
Leigh Square  
Port Coquitlam

D'Arcy has suggested that if you have a particular 'form' that you would like to bring in for discussion, then please do. The workshop will go until 4pm. There are several convenient spots right nearby to purchase lunch, or bring your own. \$50 for the day, \$40 for TriCity Potters' members.

- REGISTRATION for this workshop will begin now. To reserve a space, go to the "contact" spot at the [www.tricitypotters.ca](http://www.tricitypotters.ca) website and provide contact information. You may bring a cheque made out to "TriCity Potters" to the next meeting, or mail it directly to:

Christine Eastlick  
3257 Chartwell Green  
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### REMINDERS

- Remember to bring an item for the "Instant Gallery". If you received a gift, bought a pot, or have any other item you would like to show the group, be sure to bring it for everyone's benefit and interest. The discussion is casual, not a formal presentation, and this sharing is one of the benefits of our group. You never know what comments or information you might obtain about your piece.
- Try and remember to wear a name tag. It is hard for new members to get to know you and each other, otherwise.
- Madeleine Coomey and Jacqueline Sheridan have volunteered to bring refreshments to the Jan. 21 meeting.

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### TWO OF OUR MEMBERS

This Thursday, Jan 15th, don't forget to attend the opening night from 6 - 8pm at Port Moody Arts Centre.

Clive Tucker's new show 'Forward and Back' opens in the 3D Gallery.

Deborah Gillingham's 'Playful Things' will be on display in the Plum Gallery Display Case.

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FROM EMILY CARR

Hey Folks.

There is still plenty of room in this Spring glaze technology class with D'arcy Margesson. If you or anybody you know that would like to take the class please register as soon as possible. I have attached a description of the class for information. If you have any questions or would like to register please call 604 844-3899.

<http://www.ecuad.ca/studies/courses/CRAM/205/section/16127>

Thanks,  
Leon Popik

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FROM ARTS CONNECT IN THE TRI-CITIES (of which TriCity Potters is a member)

**>>Happy New Year And All The Very Best In 2009!**

With a new year dawning, it's the time for new beginnings, time to experience something new –

Why not be adventurous and take in some of the cool arts and cultural offerings here in the Tri-Cities. We challenge you to attend an event or try something you've never done before. Read on for some ideas that will hopefully inspire you to do just that. And don't forget to check out [www.artsconnect.ca](http://www.artsconnect.ca) regularly for our full events calendar listings and much more.

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OF INTEREST TO MANY

Keith Rice Jones recently fulfilled a long held dream and go to the Himalayas, and is doing a slide show of his trip to Nepal. He includes slides from Bhaktapur's Pottery Square (part of a World Heritage site) and local brick making and kilns.

## Slide Show of the Annapurna Circuit Trek

Library, Alderson Elementary School, 825 Gauthier,  
Coquitlam (Lougheed and Blue Mt. - just off Hwy #1 at  
Brunette South). **Jan 15th at 7:30 pm.** 604 522 8803  
*Call if you are coming so we have an idea for seats and refreshments.*

Donations to the Brett Davies Bursary Fund (Cancer Research)

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## **IN CASE YOU DIDN'T SEE IT THE FIRST TIME**

**Media Release**  
For Immediate Release



### **CALLING EMERGING ARTISTS: EXHIBIT AT PLACE DES ARTS**

**Coquitlam, BC, December 10, 2008 . . .** Place des Arts is currently accepting proposals for its 2010 exhibitions. Whether you are just starting out on your artistic journey or you are an experienced, unrepresented artist looking for a new exhibition space, explore the possibilities at Place des Arts.

The centre offers gallery and gift shop display space where local emerging artists and artisans may exhibit and sell their works in any media. Place des Arts welcomes submissions in all 2D and 3D media and techniques, including fibre arts, sculpture, painting, photography, prints and drawing.

Place des Arts' galleries are open to the public 7 days a week and are a popular destination with local residents and visitors alike. In 2007, Place des Arts hosted 61,139 visitors. Place des Arts' exhibition cards are on display at over 20 arts and community centres in the Lower Mainland, and its galleries and gift shop are featured in guides such as *Van Dop* and *Preview*.

For full details and to download a proposal package, visit [www.placedesarts.ca](http://www.placedesarts.ca). or call Visual Arts Coordinator Barbara Duncan at 604.664.1636. Proposals will be accepted until March 6, 2009.

Place des Arts is an integrated arts centre that brings together art, culture and history. It is located in the community of Maillardville at 1120 Brunette Avenue, Coquitlam.

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## INFO ON NEW POTTERY SUPPLIER

Bonnie Fensom of "Totally Ceramics" just contacted me with this news.

***Well, we have great news. We have just become distributors for Georgie's Clay and products, also Laguna clay. As you have probably heard The Mad Potter has closed down, this has given us the opportunity to step up to help with all the potters supplies. We would like to be able to reach out to all the potters to let them know we are carrying these products. Is there any way we can get into the next newsletter? Or do you have another idea that could help us. We would really appreciate all the help we can get concerning the clay and what to order. Thank you***

***Bonnie  
604-574-0454***

If there are any potters out there who have ideas for products you would like to see, or a type of clay, I suggest you contact Bonnie by phone, or at [info@totallyceramics.com](mailto:info@totallyceramics.com)

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## I UNDERSTAND THERE MIGHT STILL BE A SPACE HERE

Sculpture - Modeling Clay Workshop at Place des Arts

Instructor: Parvaneh Roudgar

**Fridays, January 23 to February 27 from 6:00PM to 9:00PM**

Fee: \$164.65 (Class is limited to six students)

Explore new techniques of modeling clay in the form of figurative and abstract art. Whether you're new to working with clay or you've already mastered some of the principles of sculpture, Parvaneh will support you to develop structure, style and creativity in your work.





Parvaneh Roudgar is an award-winning, internationally acclaimed sculptor. She began her artistic journey in 1986 at the Artistic Lyceum in Florence under the tutelage of Professor of Sculpture Antonio Di Tommaso and Professor of Ceramics, world famous artist Marcello Fantoni.

She concluded her studies at the Fine Art Academy of Florence, specializing in ceramics at the Marcello Fantoni Ceramic School and in plaster and casting at the University of Arts of Eta' Libera in Florence. In 1991 she received her certificate in stonework at the Art School of Porta Romana in Florence.

Currently living in Port Moody, Parvaneh works and teaches sculpture in her private studio and at other art institutions in the Lower Mainland.

To register for this workshop, visit [www.placedesarts.ca](http://www.placedesarts.ca) or call **604.664.1636**

For more information, contact Visual Arts Coordinator Barbara Duncan at [bduncan@placedesarts.ca](mailto:bduncan@placedesarts.ca) or at 604.664.1636