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2016 Upcoming Events

April 17 – General Meeting

May 15 – General Meeting

June – CDA Picnic (date TBA)



Hi Clay Friends,

We have some exciting upcoming events. The next meeting is scheduled for April 17th at 3 PM. Please try to attend as we will be discussing the picnic, potential upcoming gallery shows, and of course, the Empty Bowls Dinner. If you have any topics you would like to bring up, please shoot me an email so I can add to the agenda.

There are many of you who still owe dues. Please remember to send in your dues. We rely on this to support our workshops.

I am excited to be hosting the meet and greet party for Michael Kline at my home Friday, June 24 at 6 PM. I will send out directions in another email, closer to the time. I am not sure if you are familiar with Michael's work, so if not, I have included some links.* Michael is a renowned international ceramic artist and teacher. He has done several teaching stints at the Penland School of Crafts and he is very generous in sharing his knowledge. He will not only be showing us brushwork which he is known for, but will also be showing us the Korean Sanggam technique for slip inlay, which is representative of a new body of work for him. He will show wheel throwing and will touch on marketing business through various social media platforms. If you have not booked your spot for this workshop, I urge you to do so, as I am sure it will book up quickly. I know I have sent in my check already! For sure, it's not one to miss. All skill levels will learn from this workshop. The workshop is scheduled both days from 10 until 4.

Hope to see you soon. -Lynne

**See page 6 for some special web links to a number of great potter's resources and those about Michael Kline.*

Message from the President

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New Membership: Join CDA!

Annual membership runs from January 1st to December 31st.

The dues are \$30 for an individual, or \$50 for a family. Dues support CDA Workshops, activities and various resources.

You can use the Paypal link on the website (cdava.com) or download a membership application and mail it with your check made out to "CDA" to:

Ronda Borberg-Shulenburg:
Ceramic Designers Association Membership
1215 Mallicotte Lane
Newport News, VA 23606

Please include a frequently checked email address, reachable phone number and your website if you'd like it included on CDA's website. Any questions can be sent to Ronda at rjshulenburg@yahoo.com.

Lynnhaven Pottery Studio - Update

There have been some encouraging developments since the previous announcements to close Lynnhaven Pottery Studio in Virginia Beach! Classes will now continue through this year until 2017. The City is now looking into options and possible locations to continue the Parks and Recreation ceramics and pottery program. A new building is the most pressing point on the list, because the current location is too old for continued usage.

Virginia Beach Parks and Recreation is also now looking for one or two pottery teachers for the duration of class time at the present studio on Lynnhaven Parkway across from Salem High School. After the move to another pottery class location in 2017, teaching positions will be needed. If interested, contact Margaret Sullivan-Rucka at mrucka@vb.gov.

Thanks to everyone who has reached out to the City and the local news regarding the value and need of a ceramics program in Virginia Beach. CDA members are encouraged to express support for a strong city arts program and for continuing these classes by contacting City Council.

<http://www.vbgov.com/government/departments/city-clerk/city-council/Pages/city-council-members.aspx>



Read an article featured in The Virginian Pilot Online about this issue:

http://pilotonline.com/news/local/virginia-beach-ceramics-students-worry-about-city-studio-s-future/article_3a544874-c02e-5e3b-a8fb-63c31c794f76.html

Local Art: D'art Center



The D'art Center in Norfolk has a new space!

740 Duke St. Norfolk, VA. 23510

www.d-artcenter.org

Totem Exchange



We have two teams of people signed up for the June 2016 **Collaborative Totem Exchange**.

For those of you who have signed up – work on your totem pieces!

Review of Specifications for your pieces:

- ~ 10 to 12 pieces to exchange (one to keep, the others to exchange)
- ~Any clay body that is vitrified
- ~*Minimum* finished size = 6 inches and up
- ~Any shape with two holes to thread on rod: (1 inch wet diameter holes to allow for clay shrinkage)
- ~Any finish to survive outside weather: Glazed, stained, under-glazed, painted, and/or other finishes.
- ~Your preference if it's made by hand or wheel

If you have questions call 499-6053 or e-mail suzcowan1@juno.com

P.S. Please also let Suzanne know if you have a connection for 6 or 8 foot lengths of rebar.



18th Annual Empty Bowls Dinner

Thanks to everyone who donated their time, materials and efforts to make this wonderful event happen! Although somewhat under-attended because of having it on a Monday, we still raised over \$17,500 for the charities! It's so great to be part of a group that pulls together to produce such a wonderful event. Empty Bowls Dinners are held all over the world, but it's very rare to have one that has as long of a history as ours...18 years!



Historical Highlights

Fox Warrior Bottle

Ceramic

11 5/8 in.

7th – 8th century

Moche culture, Peru

The Metropolitan Museum of Art.
Gift of Henry G. Marquand, 1882

<http://www.metmuseum.org/art/collection/search/307473?what=Ceramics&ft=figure&mp:pg=3&mp:rpp=20&mp:pos=59>

<http://www.metmuseum.org/art/collection>



Historical Highlights

Deer Bottle

Ceramic, slip

11 x 5 1/2 in.

4th – 7th century

Moche culture, Peru

The Metropolitan Museum of Art.
Gift of Nathan Cummings, 1963

<http://www.metmuseum.org/art/collection/search/308409?sortBy=Relevance&what=Ceramics&mp:who=Moche&ft=bottle&mp:pg=1&mp:rpp=20&mp:pos=19>

<http://www.metmuseum.org/art/collection>



CDA Library

CDA owns a library of books and videos available for members to borrow and enjoy. Our librarian is Marion Adams. She usually has them at the meetings, but you are more than welcome to meet with her and pick a couple of them up. She can be contacted at 431-9569.

If you have any pottery books or videos that you would like to donate, CDA would love to have them.

A few titles in the library include: *Elements of Form* / Robin Hopper ;

Sculpting the Portrait / Bruno Lucchesi ; *Beginning to Glaze & Fire* / Graham Sheehan

CDA Workshops

Garden Totem Workshop with Debra Chako Saturday, April 2 from 10 AM to 2 PM

Want to add some fun and whimsy to your landscape? Learn how to make unique ceramic forms that can be stacked on a metal rod. In this hands-on workshop you will acquire the skill to construct the components and alter basic clay shapes. Bring your imagination! Clay will be provided and several specific tools. This workshop is limited to twelve people. Bring your own favorite clay tools along. Register today!



Build A Better Bird House with Pam Grey @ Virginia Wesleyan Saturday, April 23 from 10 AM to 2 PM

Create a new home for some of your favorite backyard birds to nest. You will learn to build a ceramic birdhouse to Audubon specifications for chickadees, wrens, nuthatches and titmice, etc. Participants will construct a birdhouse condo and explore multiple ways to embellish adding various textures and designs to the exterior to make it a one-of-a-kind structure. The entire building process will be completed during this workshop session. Your finished birdhouse will be a wonderful addition to your back yard and a delight to your feathered friends.

Bring your own clay; a supply list to be provided. We will have a short break so bring a bag lunch. Register today! Workshop Registration cost is \$20 payable to "CDA". Send your check to Patricia Isenhour, 2028 Heron Court, Suffolk, VA. 23433.

Variations on a Form: The Teapot and More with Ann Ruel @ Virginia Wesleyan Saturday, May 21 from 10 AM to 2 PM

Using all hardware store materials, Ann has built a mold that can be used to create a variety of pottery pieces. Ann will show you how she made the mold, and then pass out preassembled molds for everyone to use. During the workshop, you will learn how to create a simple template for your individual mold and then Ann will demonstrate the construction and alteration of clay slabs to create the pottery form of your choice.

Registration Cost is \$20 and must be received by May 16th. Send your check for the workshop to Janet Drew, 4386 Tason Drive, Suffolk, VA 23434. A supply list will be sent upon receipt of registration.



CDA Workshops

Workshop with Michael Kline June 25-26 from 10 AM to 4 PM

The workshop will consist of some demonstrations by Michael to include:

- Coil and throw techniques to make larger wheel thrown forms
- Handled bowl, pitcher, cut edge plate
- Rope texture technique
- Slip inlay technique (sanggam inlay technique)

We will also have hands on help with brushwork, throwing and all the techniques that he incorporates in his work.

Michael will also discuss branding, photography, and social media for promoting your business.

This workshop has 20 spots available and the Deadline to register is May 31st. Member Registration Cost is \$110.; Non-Member Cost is \$140. Send check payable to Janet Drew, 4386 Tason Drive, Suffolk, VA 23434.

<http://www.klinepottery.com/about/>
@klineola on instagram
<http://www.sawdustanddirt.com>



Shows

CDA was not able to participate with a group in the **Virginia Beach Cherry Blossom Festival on Saturday, April 2, 2016**. Hopefully the weather did not stop you from attending and enjoying this event and seeing the park's blossoming cherry trees!

If anyone has new ideas or learns of new show opportunities in which CDA could participate, please also reach out to Bob Hitt.

Potter's Resources on the Web

Continued from the President's Message –

Please watch this inspirational video:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6T7W0ECCRY>

I would like to announce an exciting platform for all those interested in learning more about pottery. Follow this link and be amazed by all the generosity of the ceramic community and get to know your favorite ceramic artists:

<http://www.potterymakinginfo.com/news/potters-of-periscope/>

and find more on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/potterymakinginfo>.

Empty Bowls 2016

This year's event was another great success!

