

# December 2022 Potluck Newsletter

The next NHPG meeting will be January 15 (snow date January 22) at the League of NH Craftsmen headquarters located at 40 S Main St. #100 Concord, NH 03301

Expanded Kiln Committee meeting - 12:30-2

Board of Directors Meeting - 1:00-2:00

General meeting - 2:00-3:00

Potluck is after the general meeting

# **Chairman's Message**

Have a fun filled Holiday Season and will see you in January at the Potluck!

# **Community News**

### 2023 dues are due starting January 1!! membership-form

Reminder- you must be a current member to participate in the wood kiln!

We met at Claire Provencher's home for our Fall NHPG meeting, potluck, and pot swap. This was our first meeting in a very long time to enjoy much of what we took for granted since pre Covid times.

We had a great time with an excellent turnout, comradery, always tasty food, and FUN!

Great success and turnout for the Biennial show held at the League of NH Headquarters Gallery in Concord, NH with many pieces of art being sold. Thank you, Bonnie Hoyt for your work on this project.

As many of you know the Guild has many projects and fundraising efforts in progress for the building of the kiln shed extension, woodshed, and new kiln which will be built in a workshop led by Eric Maglio hopefully during the Summer of 2023 on the present Deerfield site. We will also be participating in the first New England Wood Fire Conference this coming June. It is wonderful to have community enthusiasm from friends, Guild members, and the support from Kelly-Stelling Gallery and those purchasing our art! Thank you!

If you are interested in our projects or have an interest in joining our endeavors all for the love of clay, please reach out to the NHPG!

#### **NHPG Community Wood Kiln**

What is happening: We Broke ground on the new wood fired Kiln in Deerfield NH.

The Kiln Committee began to discuss and coordinate the events for 2023 which are the construction of the kiln shed addition, disassembling the old kiln, building the new kiln as a kiln building workshop, participation in the NE Wood Fire conference (week of 6/21/23), fundraising, and the firing schedule for 2023.

The core Kiln Committee has decided to recruit members to sub committees for needed support and organization to help manage the projects efficiently. We would like to have from two to four persons on each committee. For more information on the committees please email Lydia Grey







#### Fund Raising Committee for the community wood kiln

The Kiln Fundraising Committee of Pam Nowell, Rebecca Hillman, and Tammy Ackerman met on January 19 to discuss the financial goals and needs for the completion of the new kiln. The Committee will meet again prior to the January 15 Guild meeting and will have a draft plan for the campaign to present.

#### 2022 Biennial Storied In Clay

#### How it went

A BIG thank you to all who participated in the 2022 Biennial and to the League of New Hampshire Craftsmen! It was a beautiful show which highlighted the truly amazing talents and creativity of our members. Approximately 565 people visited the exhibition. We had two school groups visit- a ceramics class from the local community college and the local middle school, Art Honor Society. I'd also like to thank all those that were able to volunteer throughout the month of the exhibit.

> We tallied over 70 hours in the gallery- well done everyone!! Our sales for the show were just over \$1,500.00 with a total of 15 pieces sold and as most of you know, Liz Fletcher won the People's Choice Award. There were 129 votes cast for 30 artists! Once again, congratulations to Liz for winning for her piece **Road House 2!** Now...on to 2024!! Bonnie Hoyt



Road House 2

#### Such Beauty exhibited in the Biennial!



February 2022 meeting Minutes Meeting Minutes for November 2022

## **Social Media**

Rebecca Hillman, Pam Nowell and Tammy Ackerman have been busy this month streamlining our social media. It sure does take a village!

We would love to have. All members be able to post! We can help. Email your questions to Rebecca Hillman our Social Media Coordinator.

#### Facebook:

You can post your photos and events by "liking" our Facebook, <u>NH Potters Guild Facebook</u> <u>Page</u>

#### Instagram for our wood kiln lovers,

we have an Instagram page just for our wood kiln: NHPGKiln

#### Instagram:

Our site is in the midst of a review. It will be changing to be connected to our FB page and hopefully get an update so that more of our membership can post directly to it!

Please be patient while we maneuver and streamline these separate parts to our social media format. It

is currently in review by Pamela, Rebecca, Tammy and Lydia.. https://www.instagram.com/new\_hampshire\_potters\_guild

## For Sale:



I have a kiln in my garage with a lot of furniture and I am not using it. I would like to sale it for a reasonable offer. Lucie Watt 603 320 7809 Merrimack, MH <u>luciewatt@hotmail.com</u>









## **Opportunities**

Hello fellow potters and artists. My name is Madeleine Nossiff and I'm a ceramic artist based out of Portsmouth, NH. I am looking to access the hive mind that is the NHPG in hopes of gaining some community support and insight. I'm interested in pushing my career in ceramics forward, finding new educational programs and looking into a master's in art and counseling. Although I am based in the seacoast, I am considering making a move in pursuit of new opportunities nationally as well as internationally. I will be traveling to Mexico City for two weeks in January and wonder if anyone has suggestions or connections to artists or art centers there. Long story short, any ideas are welcome and personal connections much appreciated! I am certainly seeking some mentorship and guidance at this time:) I know some of you lovely folks in NHPG, and there are a lot of you I do not know so please find me on social media and introduce yourselves! Looking forward to meeting you. With love and gratitude, Madeleine

mnossiff@gmail.com

#### Mud City Clay

Classes are back! Check out their website for more information! <u>classes link</u>

#### **Center For the Arts**

https://centerfortheartsnh.org/visual-artists

#### NH State Council on the Arts

https://www.nh.gov/nharts/newsandcalendar/e-news/e-opps.htm#Awards

WATERSHED center for the ceramic arts Check out current opportunities at Watershed! <a href="https://www.watershedceramics.org/">https://www.watershedceramics.org/</a>

#### **The Clay Studio**

https://www.theclaystudio.org/exhibition-call-for-entries

#### **Rudy Houk Scholarship Fund**

Application Form For more information please visit the website at <u>Rudy Houk Scholarship</u> To fill out the application download <u>application form</u>

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Kiln Shed Addition Design, sourcing materials, budget, organizing work crews		
	Don Woods,	
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Lil Bailey, Patsy Belt, Selinda Chiquione

Kiln Building Workshop Design, sourcing materials, budget, site preparation, instruction

Eric Maglio, Belinda Bodnar, Barbara Sorce, Patsy Belt, Lil Bailey

#### Kiln Building Workshop - PR and Registration Getting the word out, signing up participants

(registration, collecting \$, lodging info, mid-day meal)

Lydia Grey, Linda Fletcher, Wendy Jackson, Joanie Curry

#### 2023 Firings, including NW Wood Firing Conference firing

Frank McGinn, Don Williams, Hiromi Satoh, Lydia Grey

Fundraising

Tammy Ackerman, Pamela Nowell, Rin Cutter, Rebecca Hillman