



April 2025 Potluck Newsletter

Our next potluck gathering is June TBD, 2025

When: 1:00-2:00 Board Meeting
 1:00-2:00 Wood Kiln Committee meeting
 2:00-5:00 General Meeting and Potluck

Where: Al Jaeger's house 20 Perry Rd. Deerfield, NH 03037

Chairperson's Message

Dear NHPG Members,

A big thank you to everyone who joined us at our recent meeting at Emily's house—what a treat to gather in her beautiful home and studio space! Emily is truly a gem in our community, and we're so grateful for her hospitality.

Please take a moment to read through the meeting minutes, as we covered a lot of ground—there are *many* exciting events coming up this spring and summer, and we'd love for everyone to be involved. Check your calendars and join us!

We're also thrilled to share that we've received a \$1,500 grant from the League of NH Craftsmen to help host a special guest artist from Japan this June, during the New England Wood firing Conference. More details to come! Don't forget to follow our Instagram and Facebook pages to keep up to date on our recent firings - the Wood Kiln Committee are an amazing team!

In other news, you can sign up for a volunteer shift at the League of NH Craftsmen Fair [using the link provided here](#) volunteering in our tent for part of the day gets you free access to the fair for the rest of the day.

Lastly, if you're interested in hosting a future meeting like Emily, or have a suggestion for a new location, feel free to reach out! Our next meeting will be at Al's house in Deerfield in June (date TBD).

Best,
 Wren Morrocco
 Chair, New Hampshire Potters Guild

Community News

Please make sure your yearly Membership renewal is current. [Renew here](#). If you are unsure you are a current member, check here on our current member list. [Current Member List](#)

Members

If you have signed up for a Professional Profiles Page on our website, please take the next step to get you there. [Professional Profiles setup](#)

NHPG Community Wood Kiln

Wood firing at the NAKAMAGAMA - NHPG Community Kiln- 2025

NEWS FROM THE KILN COMMITTEE

We had a successful second firing of the Nakamagama (Community Kiln) with 30 people, including Maureen Mills' ceramics class from UNH! Everyone was resilient and patient as we learned together about this new kiln and dealt with challenging weather. Preparations are underway for the June firing, which will be a combination open and professional firing. The June sign-up will be posted soon. We'll let you know when the link is posted on the guild website by email, Facebook and Instagram.

A workday to prepare for the next two firings will be scheduled as soon as the driveway firms up!

More details to follow about the exciting lecture/demonstration by guest artist Nozomu Shinohara, at Al Jaeger's on June 22, facilitated by Hiromi Satoh and Kiichi, supported by a grant from the League of NH Craftsmen.



From Our Clerk of the Works Barbara Source

As we approach the three, 2025, wood firing events we are short of shelves. In the inaugural firing we pieced together what we have. Many of these shelves are old, and older still, with warping and cracks. We need some new shelves!

If you have shelves with these dimensions and they are in very good condition, we will be happy to



make arrangements to pick them up. If you would like to purchase them as a gift, we can arrange that for you, as a tax-deductible donation. Barbara 603-568-4731

12, 12"X24" silicon carbide shelves
6, 16"X16" silicon carbide shelves

In addition:

We now have an AMAZON WISH LIST! [Amazon Wish List](#)

Please check our website to Donate for our community kiln. [Donate to our kiln fund](#)

Thanks so much!

Barbara



NAKAMAGAMA in Action

NCECA News

Our Claire Provencher went to NCECA this year! [Click here](#) to read all about it

Call for Artists

I am coordinating a pop-up sculpture exhibit for NH Audubon's Massabesic Center in Auburn, slated for July 12th.

We are looking for 3D artists who may be interested in participating/exhibiting. All the art will be placed within the gardens and along with the new All Persons Trail that will be installed this spring. The exhibition will be part of the Palace Theaters Garden Tour, and we are expecting a great turnout!

I've attached the [Call for Artists document](#). Could you possibly share this with your members?

Looking forward to hearing from you!

Please contact [Dee Cleary](#) with your questions.

New Space Opening



There's a new pottery space in downtown Dover!! Our studio, [Dover Pottery Studio](#) offers a range of classes and workshops for all levels and provides members with full studio access. Perfect for creative exploration and pottery education. We welcome you to come for a visit and see our beautiful space.

Contact Kim Hanson: kim@doverpottery.studio

Dover Pottery Studio located in the Third Street Exchange Building at 66 Third Street Dover, NH

Take Care,
Kim Hanson
603-493-4749



For Sale

Name: Nancy Soucy

Email: nancykempsoucy@hotmail.com

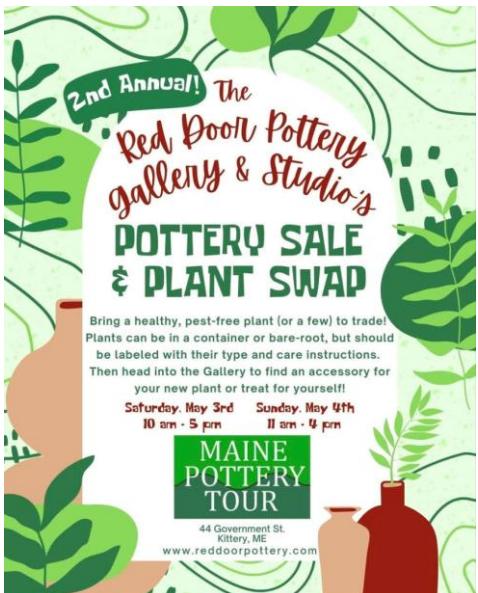
Subject: Gas kiln

Message: I'm interested in finding someone interested in having my gas kiln. I plan to retire in 2026.

Bailey Mixer-Pugmill for sale

Used, clean, reasonable condition. Contact Susan Silverman for more information: ssssilverman@gmail.com or 603-585-6682

What's Happening for our Members



The Red Door Pottery Studio in Kittery, Maine owned by NHPG and League member Elaine Fuller is participating once again in the Maine Pottery Tour May 2-3. This is a statewide open house tour of pottery studios. See www.mainepotterytour.org for a map of the many studios. Hope to see you!

Elaine Fuller

Owner

Red Door Pottery
44 Government St., Kittery, ME

[Subscribe to the E-mail List and be the first to know about upcoming class schedule releases, sales, events, and more!](#)

Social Media and Website

Website:

Pam Nowell Continues the new professional Page development on our website. [Professional Profile Page](#). Make sure you are a member so you can participate in this exciting development.

If you have already paid your dues and signed up for a free page, be sure to take the next step by sending Pam your information. Here is what she needs to help you get onto our website.

[Professional Profiles setup](#)

We now have a Google for nonprofits account which will streamline our media presence and help coordinate our email addresses for better communication.

Next will be our members only page. Stay tuned!

Social Media:

We would love to have. All members can post! We can help. Email your questions to our new and delightful Social Media Secretary [Hanna Bunnell](#)

Facebook:

You can post your photos and events by “liking” our Facebook, [NH Potters Guild Facebook Page](#)

Instagram for our wood kiln lovers,

we have an Instagram page just for our wood kiln: [NHPGKiln](#)

Instagram:

Our site is amid 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 our Correspondence Committee [NHPGKiln](#)



Check out the Sharing Arts Ceramics Center in Dublin NH for classes, workshops and membership opportunities. Spring and Summer offerings will be coming soon. This is part of the MAXT Makerspace in Peterborough, NH. <https://www.maxtmakerspace.org/ceramics>



Mud City Clay

Classes are back!

Check out their website for more information!

[classes link](#)

Center For the Arts

<https://centerfortheartsnh.org/visual-artists>

NH State Council on the Arts

<https://www.nh.gov/nharts/newsandcalendar/e-news/e-ops.htm#Awards>



Check out current opportunities at Watershed!
<https://www.watershedceramics.org/>

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 [Rudy Houk Scholarship](#)

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