

Guelph Potters Guild Meeting August 21, 2017

In Attendance: Amanda, Eleanor, Theresa, Sheena, Carol B., Gail, Esther, Donna, Juliet, Anita

UPCOMING SALES

December Christmas sale will be at Victoria Road Recreation Centre this year. Therefore we should have volunteers to bring fliers to the Farmers Market 2 weeks before the sale. Also, a sign will be posted in front of the studio no less than 2 weeks ahead of time regarding same.

OPEN STUDIO

As of September 1st, cost per hour will go up to \$6/hour unless a \$50 prepaid card is bought (location of the cards are available will be provided at a later date). Also, a bag of clay will be \$35 and a box of clay (2 bags) will be \$55.

Glaze ware needs to be picked up within 2 weeks of being fired. Otherwise it will be boxed and put into storage. From there, items will be held in storage for 2 months and if not picked up will be donated to Harvest Bowl or thrown out.

Rolling carts and stand alone shelving will be switched to make more room available in studio.

The clear glaze is now the Goldie Clear. Therefore, colours from underglazes are true to colour.

There is now a black slip.

Please notify John or the Open Studio volunteer of any inconsistencies in the glazes.

Only the volunteer or John should move items around on the carts to make room for more. Please be sure to have clean fingers when doing so.

The yellow glaze will no longer be made. There is a yellow slip available.

Please do not recycle coloured clay that has been coloured with stains or slips or otherwise.

As always, PLEASE CLEAN MIXING TOOLS BEFORE AND AFTER MIXING GLAZES.

After each open studio time, floors must be mopped.

Please advise Amanda or John if you are interested in volunteering for an Open Studio during the week. When still to be determined.

PARKING

There will be no parking on the grass once winter is here.

Is there a wheelchair parking spot? If so, it should be marked.

VOLUNTEERING

If you wish to continue to volunteer for Open Studio, you must fill out a volunteer form available on the City of Guelph website. Volunteer training on new procedures to come.

There are still many volunteer positions still available in September and forward. Please visit the GPG website and sign up for same.

John to please write an Open Studio participant qualification checklist.

ESTHER'S BARN SALE

A very nice day but was not a good day for sales. \$276.00 in sales therefore, \$27.60 to go to Guild account.

She plans to have it in July next year in the afternoon. It will be in front of the house and will be able to be seen by the road.

Esther will look into the Rural Romp as a possible additional time for a sale.

Amanda will look into the Guelph Studio Tour and Art in the Yard.

Good idea to have a Spring Seconds Sale (cheep cheep!)

Signs ordered from vista print. 6 yard signs 18-27" with stands.

CULTURE DAYS/MUGS + SALE
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 30TH FROM 9AM-3PM
ART ACTIVITY FROM 10AM-2PM

Our sale will take place outside City Hall (same as last year). The artist in residence exhibit will be inside City Hall.

The sale split will be 30% to the Guild and 70% to the potter.

We will need a couple volunteers to demonstrate throwing on the wheel which will be outside.

Gail, Eleanor and Sheena will each bring one table. The Guild has 2 tables and Esther, Juliet and Hilary will each bring a tent. Hilary will also bring a card table. Gail to bring black table clothes.

Everyone to meet at studio on **September 29th at 6pm** (depending on class) to prep for sale. Please be at City Hall Saturday at 8am for set up. Open Studio will be closed for Culture Days sale.

Square to be downloaded on cell phones for point of sale. (Esther, Eleanor & Sheena)

Please price items ACCORDINGLY! Please do not price mugs with handles lower than \$15. We are setting standards this year!

The art project this year will be salt dough made on paper plates and instructions for "firing" once home.

Please try and by the wooden crates for tables so that we have continuity between the items and artists.

Since we have limited space, please keep with a breakfast/luncheon theme. Smaller items in general please.

Sheena to do a sign up sheet for Culture Days and post at studio.

GUILD ACCOUNT

\$994.58 in Guild account

NEXT MEETING

October 23, 2017 at 7pm