

September 2020

The Kiln Post



Making A Difference



Vivian MacKinnon, Studio Coordinator Ben's Bells Project

Due to Covid 19, volunteers cannot currently visit our studios in person, so we are making to-go studio kits designed to fit the skill level of our volunteer groups. We thank SACA members for volunteering their clay skills to help produce the coins.

Kindness Coins, which are handmade by volunteers, are an important tool for

practicing kindness. Each one comes with a tag stating both in English and Spanish, "This is a Ben's Bells Kindness Coin. Thank you for sharing your kindness. Pass it on." Givers are encouraged to recognize kind acts around them and to present a Kindness Coin to those that demonstrate kindness or maybe just need a little kindness themselves. The receiver is also encouraged to pass it on to another person, and so on, and so on. Research shows that recognizing kindness in others increases a person's happiness and satisfaction. Kindness Coins are a great way to acknowledge the kindness around us while practicing our kindness skills.

We will bisque fire what you make and then batches of 75 coins will go into our Family Activity Boxes for families to glaze and decorate together safely at home.

When the kits are returned we will glaze fire them and attach them to the tags mentioned above. They are then sold for \$1 apiece via our online shop. That dollar almost covers the cost of production, but more importantly, it's something almost anyone can afford to buy with the intention of giving them away as an act of kindness.

Let's do it AGAIN! Kindness Coins

Kindness Coins



You do not have to be a member to sign up.

Registration is limited to 10 Click the box to register



Kits can be picked up on Tuesday, September 15 or Thursday, September 17 from 10 AM until 2 PM at the downtown Tucson studio.

- Use Ben's Bells back door, located at 45 W Jackson St
- Masks are required
- Your kit will contain everything you need (except a rib) to make at least 75 Kindness Coins
 - A block of clay for you to slab & rib
 - All tools and materials
 - Step-by-step instructions
- Please do not bisque fire your Kindness Coins
- The deadline for returning all completed work, scrap clay and tools is on or before Thursday, October 1, 2020



50-50 Drawing Ticket Sales End September 10, 5:00 PM Local Time

As of September 1, we have raised \$1345. The lucky grand prize winner is guaranteed

a MINIMUM of \$673

Join our emcees Linda Baker and Clydean Troner as we live stream the drawing on our Facebook page, <u>Southern Arizona Clay Artists & Friends</u>, on Monday, September 21, 2020, at 11:00 AM local time.

Click for Tickets



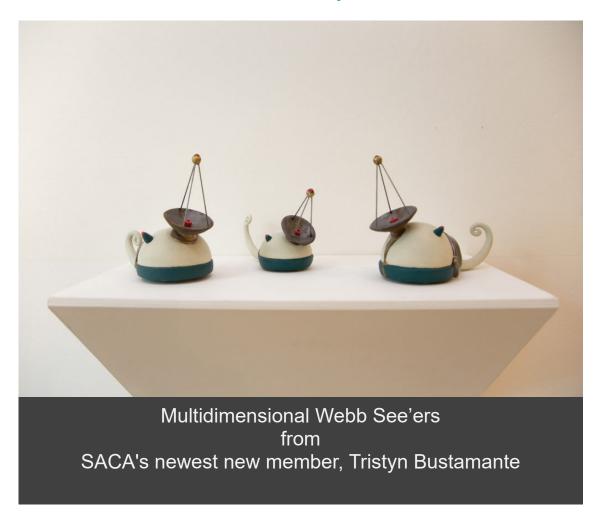
Tucson Botanical Gardens **2020**TBG has cancelled **all** art events for the remainder of 2020

Joel Valdez Pima County Library **2020**December 1 thru December 30
Non-juried SACA members only

Tohono Chul Gardens **2021**Friday, February 26 and Saturday, February 27.
Juried SACA members only

Tucson Botanical Gardens **2021**Friday, May 7 and Saturday, May 8
Mother's Day Weekend
Open to all SACA members.

Two SACA Members Chosen for Workhouse Art Center's Clay International 2020.





Helter Skelter from Janet Burner



Studio Talk with Janet Burner



SAVE THE DATES Friday-Saturday-Sunday October 11-12-13

October 11-12-13 A Virtual Local Art Event

CALL TO ARTISTS

Register now to participate in two virtual local art festivals in October and again in December.

Vist www.sonoranart.org or call 252-308-2694

Try online sales in a group effort with plenty of advertising support. Perfect timing for the holidays. • Easy process. • New audience.



Southern Arizona Clay Artists & Friends

Join the Group Now!

Tell your friends to join us. Membership in SACA is not required. You will always find a link in the footers of our newsletter and website.

Millions for Tucson Raffle Tickets Still Available









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