

### Dear SACA Members,

This month we had our first ever virtual happy hour, and it was such a nice time. We chatted about our beginnings in clay, showed each other pots from our houses, discussed techniques that we use, and got to know each other a little better as people and clay artists. There was even an anecdote about full-body casting! What a pleasure it was to connect with other clay folks during this time when it remains difficult to do so. We will definitely be hosting another happy hour soon, likely one each month, so stay tuned for that.

Another thing I want to highlight this month is our upcoming volunteer day at Ben's Bells on May 16th at 10AM. We will be helping out at the Ben's Bells studio for a morning in their large outdoor courtyard. This is going to be a great opportunity to connect with other SACA members and do some good in our community in a safe setting.

I hope everyone is staying safe and having a creative and productive spring!

Cory Aaland President







# **Mandala Mosaics - Start to Finish Zoom Class**

Saturdays - June 26 - July 24, 2021 (no classJuly 3)

10:00 AM

Instructor - Julie Stein

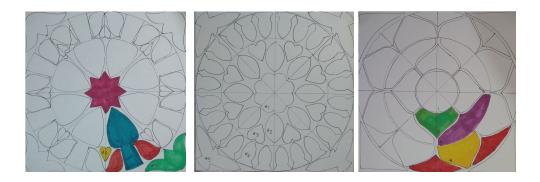
\$175 – Members

\$200 - Non-members

Clay experience required for this workshop

That's right! Start to Finish! Begin by making your pieces. End with grouting and sealing, and all the steps in between. Julie Stein will guide you through the process step-by-step in this 4-day virtual workshop.

You will have a choice of 3 designs, hand-drawn by Julie and be provided with templates to cut out the pattern pieces. Designs will be sent to you via email after registration closes.



You also get a custom, hand-made 12" x 12" metal frame, complete with Hardiebacker board and hanger. Upon registration, you will receive a confirmation email providing all the details, a materials list and the Zoom link to join the class each week. Dates and times to pick up your frame will be sent to you via email shortly after registration closes.

If you do not have your own kiln or access to one, volunteers can both bisque and glaze fire for you. **Cone 5/6 clay and glazes only**. COVID precautions will be taken and masks will be required when you drop off and pick up your items. Dates and times will be provided after registration closes. Kiln space is limited so please be respectful of our volunteers and use this service only if you do not have your own kiln or access to one.

#### Class Dates - Saturdays

Session 1, June 26 - 10:00AM approximately 3 hours

Session 2, July 10 – 10:00 AM approximately 1.5 hours

Session 3, July 17 – 10:00 AM approximately 1.5 hours

Session 4, July 24 – 10:00 AM approximately 1.5 hours

Instructor will be available for help between sessions via phone.

Recorded sessions will be available to all paid participants shortly after the end of the workshop.

Registration closes June 12, 2021

Register

## Making A Difference

# M.A.D. About Ben's Bells

SACA Volunteer Day Sunday, May 16, 2021 10:00 AM-12:00 PM 40 W Broadway Blvd Tucson

We are really looking forward to volunteer day at Ben's Bells. Join us and lend a hand.

COVID precautions are in place. Ben's Bells has passed their inspection and earned Pima County Health Department's "Ready for You" designation.

Register

Registration Required



Read more about Ben's Bells Project



Hello SACA Members!

If you have renewed your membership for 2021, many thanks, we are grateful. If you are a new member, we would love to know how you found us! If you haven't renewed for 2021, how likely are you to renew this year?

Please let us know how we can best support you! Feel free to send me an email.

And show us your work on our Facebook or Instagram page!

All the best,

<u>Dawn</u> <u>Membership Chair</u>



Tucson Clay Art Center (TCAC) is looking for an experienced instructor to teach evening classes. Must be proficient in wheel and hand building and must be familiar with various high-fire glazing techniques.

The studio is 2200 square feet, mostly open space, which allows for social distancing. We are limiting students to 6 per class currently, and continue to require masks.

TCAC is a pleasant, spacious studio located on Ft. Lowell Rd near Campbell Ave. The studio was established in 2015 and has seen significant growth in the last two years. You are invited to visit our website at <a href="tucsonclayartcenter.com">tucsonclayartcenter.com</a>

Call or email owner Rebecca Pincus at 520 24 1 to schedule an interview.





## Southern Arizona Clay Artists & Friends

### Join the Facebook 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.

