



President's Message for May 2017



As I write this message, I am enjoying our 70-degree May temperatures and happily reflecting on SACA's busy April activities.

I give hardy thanks to all of you who participated in and helped organize our Arts in the Attic Fundraiser and our Art in the Garden Social.

Special thanks go out to Glenda Neff, who hosted Art in the Garden and fed us really well.

Although we are all aware of the dog days that await us, many of us will use this as an opportunity to escape to cooler environs and refresh our creative juices and inspiration. The rest of us can lose ourselves in our air-conditioned studios and stock up our inventories.

We also need to pay attention to the SACA newsletter for more exciting opportunities this fall, including a show at the Tucson Botanical Gardens.

However you spend your summer, the SACA Board wishes you a safe and productive time (or unproductive if you need a break) and look forward to a new season of clay in September.

Craig Wunderlich, SACA President 2017

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"Art in the Garden"

Spring 2017

**The show was lovely,
with a talented group of 33 artists
many of them SACA members
...& attendance was a record high!!!**

Brenda Arwood Laura Stiltner
Glenda Neff Louise Buth
Sue Armburst Karyn Vampotic
James Miller, ...to mention a few!

As always, the wonderful
Gabriel Romo
entertained us with
his incredible guitar music!

We had super ladies in the kitchen fixing
outstanding food that "flowed" all day.



Glenda Neff's **"Art In The Garden"** also hosted our monthly SACA Social,
brilliantly & successfully planned by Laura Stiltner,
we had great attendance for that as well...
& loved welcoming each of you!

...and finally, a big **Thank You** for being

a part of **SACA**, our wonderful Clay Association!

*Art In The Garden will return again in the Fall
...hope to see you there!*



Sales Opportunity!! !

**Calling All
Tucson & Southern AZ Artists**

Looking for an
Amazing Opportunity
to show your work

in a beautiful environment?

**Our weekend
"Pop-Up Shops"**
at **Pottery Barn in La Encantada**
is the place to be!!!

We are looking for artists
*with appealing work
that compliments
our home furnishings!*

Co-market the event with us
via your social media & mailing lists,
the more people attending
the more successful we'll all be!

**There's no charge
to host a "Pop-Up Shop"**
Artists write their own sales
& collect money directly!

If you're interested,
please contact me
and feel free to send me
some photos!

Tami Krauss
Pottery Barn at La Encantada
2905 E. Skyline Drive

[Click For More Info:](#)



HELP!!!

Desperately Need
Ideas or Inspiration
for our

June & July Socials!

This is your chance!
please contact Laura.

In August,
We are working
on a trip to

Mount Lemmon
(With a TripAdvisor's 5 Star rating!)

Don't have all the details yet,
but as soon as we do;
we will give you
the dates and locations.

SACA Show
for Juried Members at the
**Tucson Botanical
Gardens**
Friday and Saturday,

**Valdez
Main Library
Art Show**
During Month of
November, 2017

Sept. 22nd & 23rd, 2017

The Gardens are open late Friday night
and also coincides with
a Farmers' Market too,
So,...we expect good traffic for the show!

The show will be similar in format
to the Tohono Chul Show,
w/the Gardens retaining 25% of sales.

We anticipate a registration fee
that won't exceed \$20
unless we need to purchase equipment.

**Details & registration available
in early July!**

(Watch for more info about participating!)

IMPORTANT!

New JURYING OPPORTUNITY
July or August,
...just in time for this show!!!

**Watch our SACA Newsletter
for more info!**

**Fabulous Opportunity for...
Non-Juried
SACA members!!!**

Display your work at the
Downtown Valdez Main Library
during month of November, 2017

**3 entries per person
(12 in. max in any dimension)
w/Application & Photos**

**More details in our
August SACA newsletter!**

"Lively Locals"

Jada Ahern, Moderator

Joni Pevarnik & Andy Iventosch

(long time SACA Professional members)

"Blessed us all"

with an

**exciting & informative
Throwing Demonstration!**

As the coordinator of "Lively Locals",
I usually start the class
with introductions & then
a few thought provoking questions!

I always prepare a few extra questions
for when things get slow or quiet!

This class was like no other in the past!

...I barely got through introductions
when Joni and Andy were off and running!
I really didn't even need
to prepare for this demo!



**These two accomplished potters
showed off their amazing skills with vigor!**

Our conversation was lively, educational
and even silly at times!

**The laughter warmed our souls
& the throwing demo was
inspiring & chock full of tips!**

I am pretty sure most people
walked away re-energized & full of new ideas,
with at least several helpful throwing hints,
... **if not more!**

Watch for our Next

"Lively Locals"!

at the

Pima County

NRPR's Northwest Art Center

**7770 N. Shannon Rd.
(Corner of Shannon and Magee)**



**A Fabulous
Opportunity!**

*Try out
&
learn about
Raku*

*with
**Glenda Neff
& Ray Kuln***



Every
2nd Friday
of the Month

at **Glennnda Neff's
Studio**
the "Laughing Witch
Pottery"
1510 W. Avocado St.

May 12th,

4pm - 8pm

[RSVP Glennnda](#)

or, call Glennnda for more info.



Clay Classes at Pima County

Northwest Art Center

7770 N. Shannon Rd.

Tucson, AZ

(Corner Shannon & Magee)



For more Class information & to register online!

www.pima.gov/nrpr

Clay Fun-damentals

Take as a fun class or preparation for more advanced clay classes!

No Pre-requisite
Instructor: Jada Ahern BFA

3 Sessions (3hrs) \$45 4 starting dates
(Afternoon & Evening Classes)
See online schedule for details!

Throwing on the Potter's Wheel

Learn basic skills & create cylinders for bowls, cups and vases.
Adv. students work on lids, closed forms, platters and altering .

Pre-requisite: Clay Fun-damentals
Instructor: Leila Lindeman

9 Sessions (3hrs) \$105-\$120 2 start dates
(Afternoon Classes)
See online schedule for details!

Weekend Warrior

Independent study time for clay students currently enrolled in weekly classes at NWAC.
Weekend hours for self-motivated students who can work independently.

Pre-requisite: Instructor Permission
Instructor: Jada Ahern BFA

1 Session (6hrs) \$25 4 starting dates
(10am-4pm Classes)
See online schedule for details!

Spirited Sculpture (Clay)

Students will create spirited human, animal or abstract sculptures with use and functionality in mind.
We will work with your unique imagination and images!

Pre-requisite: Clay Fun-damentals
Instructor: Jane Norskog

8-9 Sessions (3hrs) \$105-\$120 2 start dates
(Afternoon Classes)
See online schedule for details!

Creative Clay for the Kitchen

Create beautiful functional pieces for use in the kitchen.
Specific pieces for special foods will be discussed.

Pre-requisite: Clay Fun-damentals
Instructor: Leila Lindeman

8-9 Sessions (3hrs) \$105-\$120 2 start dates
(Afternoon Classes)
See online schedule for details!

Adv. Clay-Hand Built & Thrown

Adv. experienced clay artists welcome with instructor permission.
Students will be self-motivated & able to work independently.

Pre-requisite: Instructor Permission!

Instructor: Kathy Hacker/Leila Lindeman
Kathy Hacker/Brenda Arwood

8-9 Sessions (3hrs) \$105-\$120 2 start date
(Afternoon & Evening Classes)
See online schedule for details!

Classic Clay (Pottery/Clay)

Includes many techniques including hand building, throwing on the wheel, sculpture, glazing, and firing.

Pre-requisite: Clay Fun-damentals
Instructors: Jada Ahern BFA
Brenda Arwood

8-9 Sessions (3hrs) \$105-\$120 8 start dates
(Morning & Evening Classes)
See online schedule for details!

Independent Clay Study

Independent study time for clay students currently enrolled in weekly classes at NWAC. Work on your special projects and improve the quality of your work in this class designed for any level to work independently!

Pre-requisite: Instructor Permission
Instructors:

Jada Ahern BFA
Brenda Arwood
Kathy Hacker
Leila Lindeman

3-5 Sessions (3hrs) \$30-\$50 7 start dates
(Morning, Afternoon & Evening Classes)
See online schedule for details!

Creating with Clay

This class will take you through the process of making your own pottery. Class demos will reflect a student's areas of interest including hand-built and wheel thrown projects!

No Pre-requisite:

Instructor: Marilyn Cleavinger

7 Sessions (3hrs) \$87 4 starting dates
(Morning & Afternoon Classes)
See online schedule for details!

NOTE:

Marilyn's classes are held at:
Flowing Wells Community Center
1660 W. Ruthrauff Rd.
(intersection of Wetmore, Romero, and Ruthrauff Rd)



Advanced Southwestern Animal Sculpture Workshop

(Previous experience helpful,
but NOT necessary!)

with

Mariah Clearwater
a SACA Member

Oct 7th & 8th, 2017

Mariah Clearwater
is Tucson's
hidden treasure!!!

...an accomplished sculptor
& equally wonderful teacher,
she's a fantastic resource
for SACA Members
& others to learn new skills!!!

(PS Learn about armatures
for standing figures!!!)



Your Choice of
**Southwestern
"Standing" Animal**

**Horned Owl
Javelina/Pig
or Bull/Cow**

SACA Members \$165
(Non-Members \$185)

The Tucson Clay Art Center
1703 E. Fort Lowell
520-955-7350

[Click for More Info](#)



June & July Art Mosaic Class



**Make a unique art piece
for your home!**

*Learn how to design, create unique tiles & glaze techniques.
Robin helps you achieve your personal design,
in this semi-private class!*

**Begins June 5th, Mondays
from 5:30pm - 7:30pm**

This are great 'best friends' projects for 2 or 4 friends.
Create a: Mosaic Stepping Stone,
Welcome Sign,
or a 'Mosaic Tile Carpet' for your front do or

Pricing: is according to the project involved,
but starts at \$125.00 for the 4 weeks
(including clay, instruction and firing)

Remember:

Robin can also create a custom class for your group during the summer, for birthday parties, bridal showers, or retirements

NEW!!! ...

***This is a
continuing
experiment!***

**We've added clay videos
to our newsletter!**

**With so many
incredible videos
of clay techniques available,
...it's a wonderful resource
& it's free!!!**

**We'll try to vary beginner
thru advanced techniques
& showcase the work
of lesser known,
but fabulous clay artists
(of, course)!**

**We'll need
your ideas
& suggestions!**

[Click to leave suggestions!](#)

**Not knowing
what to expect,
...we'll start with
2-4 per month.**

NOTE:

**The video's pix here
are small thumbnails.**

**...to watch larger videos
on YouTube
*click on the
small video thumbnail!***

**& then save the best ones
to your own personal
YouTube library!!!**



**How to get your mug rims
back in round**

by Bill Van Gilder

Note: You can throw a "rounder"
or if you're in a hurry, just use
mixing bowls or rounded forms of varying sizes!

Remember,...The video's pix here
are just small thumbnails.



**3 Smart and Simple
Bisque Clay Hump
Mold Techniques**

with KARI RADASCH
from Ceramic Arts Daily

Clever & Simple!

NOTE,...Make the shape
you need
rather than

...watch a larger video
on YouTube
by clicking on the video image!

& then save the best ones
to your own personal
YouTube library!!!

spending a fortune
for commercial forms!

...watch a larger video
on YouTube
by clicking on
our video's thumbnail!



The Secrets of Naked Raku Revealed An Alternative Firing Workshop.

Everything you need to know
to successfully prepare naked raku slip,
...apply it, fire it and reduce it
from the masters of alternative firing.



Orchard Valley Ceramic Arts Guild

First demonstration of the alcohol
reduction firing
at OVCAG's Clay Carnival 2015.



Amazing Art Pottery Compilation 2017

"People With Amazing Talent & Skill
An Oddly Satisfying Video"

Can't say I liked all the effects/projects
on this video,
...but there are some very interesting ones
& you may be able to use those
techniques for your own purposes!



Handmade Tiles for Shower Wall, Part 1

The new bathroom shower needed some
decoration.
Walls will be covered with handmade ceramic
tiles.

(Note: I was wondering how she fired
such a big slab,
but she cuts it apart at the end!
And, in another one of her videos she

(PS Plus, watching at high speed is always fascinating!)

shows a "map" she draws of each piece's placement! She doesn't let not having a slab roller slow her down!

Clay Lover's Passion

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C	N	A	U	G	E	U	F	Z	S	N	L	U	A
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- PORCELAIN
- OIL SPOT GLAZE
- CONES
- BISQUE
- MASON STAINS
- SHINO
- COILING
- SLABS
- REDUCTION
- BAS RELIEF
- MAJOLICA
- WHEEL
- FAIENCE
- OXIDES
- RAKU
- STONEWARE
- SPRIGS
- BAT

Play this puzzle online at : <http://thewordsearch.com/puzzle/223139/>

We're trying something new!

I've called this word search, "Clay Lover's Passion" (mmm,...racey?!)

Find the words on the puzzle's right!

Look for words... normally, reversed, or diagonally (only 2)

To play, print out the puzzle.

& I like to draw a single line through the word when it's found!

NOTE: Words can overlap & use the same letter!

Please let us know what you think!

[Click here to e-mail us!](#)

If you enjoy it, I'll "test a few other "searches" for more diagonal challenges!

Summer Clay Kid's Camp

for kids 6 to 14 years old

Hand Building, Wheel, Sculpture

[Click Here for more Details or to Register!](#)

**...Shh! We have
Adult Classes too!!!**

Tucson Clay-Co-op

3326 N. Dodge Blvd
Tucson, AZ



CLAY

A SILVER CITY ARTS & CULTURAL DISTRICT SIGNATURE EVENT

The Silver City CLAY Festival

July 22 - 30, 2017

Opportunities for artists

Unique possibilities
for artists
to exhibit &
sell their work.

[Visit the CLAY Festival website!](#)

CLAYF est Market

Clay Festival Competitions

Tile + Vessel International Juried Exhibition

Artists are invited to
submit up to
3 entries.

Our Juror
is
Diego Valles,

his work expands
the limits of both:
Mata Ortiz
& traditional
Mexican Pottery

Submission & Fee
Deadline
June 16, 2017.



Pieces of Me by Diego Valles



We invite artists & entrepreneurs
to offer decorative and utilitarian ceramics
plus
other clay-related
items for sale!

**Saturday,
July 29, 2017**
of the
CLAY Festival weekend, .

For an early bird rate
enter by May 31, 2017.

[Click here to view the application](#)

Tile + Vessel International Juried Exhibition

Requirements:

Each entry consist of 2 clay components:
(see *Diego Valles pieces pictured above*)

1st. ..the artist's interpretation of a **vessel**

2nd...the artist's interpretation of a **tile**
The 2 parts must relate to each other
in design and/or function.

The pairing may exist as separate parts
or as one physically integrated piece;
however, each submitted pairing
will be juried and sold as one work.

[For a Prospectus](#)

Clay Community Information

*SACA offers a opportunities
for those interested in clay
to share their passion, inspire each other,
& share resources*

Toward that end, SACA offers many possibilities
to share information among its members
and the clay community at large.

Among these are:

* **SACA Facebook page**
at <https://www.facebook.com/SouthernArizonaClayArtists>

* **SACA Website** at www.SouthernArizonaClayArtists.org

The redesigned website has a new events calendar, so check it out.
There is a contact page where you can send your information as well.

* **SACA & Community Email Information**

Contact Jan Bell

* **SACA Newsletter** direct to your email inbox via ConstantContact:

Contact Louise with info

Share, & Promote Clay Related Events...!

*Information about your upcoming shows, classes, events
& possibilities in our community!*

Contact us by "clicking" on the "[blue links](#)" above to the

SACA Newsletter, Website, Facebook or Community e-mail!

PLEASE NOTE:

*If the event isn't SACA Sponsored,
..We need to know the following:*

- 1. Name of the Event** (like Oro Valley Art Show)
- 2. Event's Sponsor** (like TSAG) ?
- 3. Names of SACA Members** involved?
- 4. Event's Date, Time & Location**
- 5. Fees**, if applicable

PLUS:

- 6. Brief Description** of event?
- 7. Photo** related to event in jpeg (any size) ?
- 8. Link to application or event**, if applicable?
- 9. Phone Number** for More Info ?

Interesting Clay Sites & Blogs to explore!

"Electric Cone 6 & Other Ways w/Clay"

...info, discussion & learning for mid-fire ceramic artists.

http://cone6pots.ning.com/?xg_source=msg_mes_network

"Beads of Clay, The Creative World of Ceramic Bead Artisans"

...info, discussion & learning about

handcrafted ceramic beads, buttons, pendants & components

from our talented and knowledgeable Artisans.

<http://www.blog.beadsofclay.org/p/connect-with-beads-of-clay-members.html>

Suggestion for blogs or sites welcome!

[Click here to e-mail me with ideas,...Thanks!](#)

SIGN UP FOR EMAIL

Southern Arizona Clay Artists Inc.

<http://southernarizonaclayartists.org>

