

Ceramic League of the Palm Beaches

October, 2023 Newsletter & Meeting Notice

HAPPY FALL EVERYONE!!!

I know we all thought the summer would last forever, but here we all enjoying a very welcome break from the heat. And if you are like me, I always feel more motivated to create when the weather gets cooler.

This newsletter is to update what the Board has been putting together for you in the coming year.

We met at Marcia DiSylvester's home on September 18, 2023 with a very busy agenda (the Board Meeting minutes will be available at the Oct. Membership Meeting for your review). The highlights included a revised set of Bylaws (see attached) that are needed to ensure our continued operation. Many of the changes were to streamline processes and the ability to conduct an electronic vote if needed. Another major addition was the detailing of our Standing Committees. These Committees are really what will sustain our League into the future and so this is where **YOU CAN REALLY MAKE A DIFFERENCE!!!** Please consider volunteering for one of these and lending your creativity to further our collective success.

Some of those Standing Committees include:

- **Website Design**
- **Membership**
- **Newsletter**
- **Programming**

NOTE: As a part of the Website re-design, we are looking for a new logo for the Ceramic League of the Palm Beaches, Inc. Anyone interested in submitting something, please send to Barbara Powell (powellceramicart@gmail.com).

As mentioned last month, the October General Membership Meeting has been confirmed:

Date: **Oct. 18, 2023 at 1PM.** (Board meets at noon if you are interested)
Location: **Armory Art Center, Room 203 (2D Building)**
811 Park Place, West Palm Beach, FL 33401

Reminder that your 2023 membership dues are now being collected. Since we are diligently working on the website upgrade, please pay either directly to our Paypal account (please include your name and that it is for 2023 dues) using this link: [PayPal/CLOPB](#)

If you prefer not to use Paypal, please mail your check to: **Barb Dobay, 6720 Escondida Dr. West Palm Beach, FL 33406.**

Finally, our Vice-President, Claudia Stucki-Kunz had a great suggestion that we highlight a member in each of our newsletters as a way to introduce ourselves to each other. With that, I would humbly offer my profile as the Kick-off.

Ceramic League of the Palm Beaches Members Showcase

Hello, my name is **Barbara Powell**.

SINCE 2003, I have worked out of my own home studio producing a wide-range of decorative and functional works. I still focus primarily on the potter's wheel and specialize in what are termed 'alternative firing' processes - Raku and Saggar as my decorative choices. But more recently, I have begun to explore sculptural pieces as a canvas for my deeply textured and organic surfaces.

"My inspiration comes from the mountains and landscapes that I have experienced hiking with my husband Jerry. I am captivated by how geology can form itself into an infinite range of textures, colors and shapes over time."



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