

Ceramic League of the Palm Beaches

November, 2023 Newsletter & Meeting Notice

Hello Everyone.

In case you haven't noticed yet, the art scene is fully upon us now. With a multitude of shows and events, it's time to fill up those calendars and here are a few quickly approaching opportunities you won't want to miss.

- **October 28 and November 4.** The Potters' Guild of FAU will host 2 "Empty Bowls Throw-A-Thons", from 1:00 to 4:00 PM in the ceramics studio. Come and throw or donate some of your bowls. Call **Lynn Berman (856-904-4798)** for information.
- Also, **Cynthia Zmetronak (954 610-0610)** will be collecting Empty Bowls for other locations so please contact her if you have any to donate.
- **November 1-2nd.** The dynamic FAU MFA potter, Rahaleh Filsoofi, will give this 2 day workshop at the Boca Raton campus of FAU located at 777 Glades Rd., AH 52 Room 118 - in the Ceramic Studio. If you have questions call **Lynn Berman (856-904-4798)** for hours and directions for parking and the studio.

The General Membership Meeting on October 18, 2023 that was held at the Armory Art Center in West Palm Beach was VERY well attended (18 members) to which the Board was very appreciative. The primary order of business for the membership was to vote on the newly revised Bylaws, which were approved unanimously (Lois Barton motioned, Judith Koppel seconded). A copy of the Bylaws will be available at all the membership and Board meetings.

The CLOPB President encouraged everyone to reach out to potential new members and to act as ambassadors for League. We hope to soon have a printing flyer/postcard as a handout to attract new members. And we also are working hard to provide for programs that offer group critiques, tours of private collections, member's and others' demonstrations of pottery techniques in addition to some single and multi-day workshops. **SO PLEASE** be thinking about possible clay artists who could provide these workshops. Send any ideas to **Marcia DiSylvester: mjdhamlet@yahoo.com**

We were pleased to have **Mark Walnock, Ceramic Director at the Armory Art Center** speak to us about the Armory's ceramics program, especially about the BRAVE HEARTS program, working with USA Veterans. He then led us on a tour of the facility.

NOTICE: The November General Membership will be:

Date: **Nov. 18, 2023 at 3 PM.**

Location: **Palm Beach Atlantic University
901 S. Flagler Drive, West Palm Beach, FL 33401**

*** Details for parking to follow**

This membership meeting will include a joint demonstration from Heather Couch Assistant Professor of Ceramics at Palm Beach Atlantic University and Barbara Powell, Ceramics Instructor at the Lighthouse ArtsCenter. Heather will discuss her unique sculptural technique using paper clay and Barbara will demonstrate how to build a one piece tea bowl with feet.

There will be a \$10 charge for these demos to any guests and/or non-members so remember that your 2023 membership dues (\$35) are now being collected. 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.**

At the end of our meeting President, Barbara Powell presented a beautiful orchid to our out-going President, Betty Wilson for all her years of dedication serving as President of the CLPB! The Board is also recognizing her hard work over many years with an Honorary Life-time membership to the League.

Thank you all for your time and participation

Barbara Powell, *President*
Ceramic League of the Palm Beaches, Inc.

Ceramic League of the Palm Beaches Members Showcase

Claudia Stucki, *Vice-President*

Hello, my name is **Claudia Stucki-Kunz**.

Touch: molding, bending, carving, twisting. Manipulating and being in contact with various materials from clay to wire has always been something that interests me. At an early age, I studied ceramics and eventually opened my own studio in Zurich, Switzerland. Following a curiosity of materials, I've had different moments working with fabric, wire and have most recently returned to using clay. I particularly enjoy using hand building, but also like the challenge of wheel throwing. Everything that surrounds and interests me is often processed and filtered into my pieces, which is always why my work often changes in form and style.



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