



POTTERS PRESS

Notes from the office

Kia Ora Potters,

Tena koutou katoa, well this week was not as busy but still delightfully eventful. I would like to take a moment and acknowledge our wonderful Volunteers, you all do an amazing job, thank you.

Artist in Residence: Applications are now closed. Thank you for your applications, if successful you will be notified by the 20th November 2019.

Diploma: If you would like to learn more how to study a Diploma in ceramics with us, head along to <https://www.op.ac.nz/study/creative/art/programmes/ceramic-arts/>.

Potters Library

Simon Leach throwing book is missing. Please return as soon as possible I have had 3 people asking after it.

Last change boxes: Please do pop into the studio Monday – Friday 10 -4pm to collect and pieces you may be waiting for as we can now only keep these for 1 month on the selves as we run out of room. Uncollected items will either be thrown away or reallocated to the donation box.

Waikato Society of Potters 48th Exhibition Now On. ArtsPost 1 November -2 December.

Please do head along and check out the wonderful artworks on display and for sale.

Have your say: To have your news included in the newsletter please email a photo (JPEG) and blurb (no more than 150 words please) to manager@waikatopotters.co.nz.

What's On:

We are happy to open on Saturday afternoons and Sundays for members, however we need volunteers to make this happen.

Saturday 9 November Play with Clay 10 -1pm - Hosted by our wonderful volunteers Meg Wilshire and Carmel Class 12+ 13 combined – 3 - 6pm	Sunday 10 November Throwing Taster session with Susan St Lawrence 4pm - 6pm
Monday 11 November Class 1 9.30 -12.30 Open Studio 1pm – 4pm Children's class from 4 -5.30pm Sculpture – 6 -9pm	Tuesday 12 November Decorating and Hand building 9.30 -12.30 Open Studio 1pm – 4pm Play with Clay 18.30 – 9pm
Wednesday 13 November Play with Clay 9.30 -12.30 Open Studio 1- 4pm Teens Class -4 -5.30pm Wheel Thrown Projects 6pm -9pm	Thursday 14 November General Class 9.30 -12.30 Advanced Class 1pm -4pm Hand Building – 6pm -9pm
Friday 15 November Diploma – 9.30 -4pm Intro to Pottery 7pm 9pm	Saturday 16 November Play with Clay 10 -1pm - Hosted by our wonderful volunteer Ginny Lane Class 12+ 13 combined – 3 - 6pm





48th Annual Exhibition - 1 November – 2 December 2019

Playing with clay is fun for everyone – no matter your age or background. It provides not only a creative outlet, but an outlet for the general stresses of life and helps with finding some peace and mental balance. It grounds you, both in a physical sense, but also emotionally, and brings immense joy. To see more photos visit us at waikatopotters.co.nz

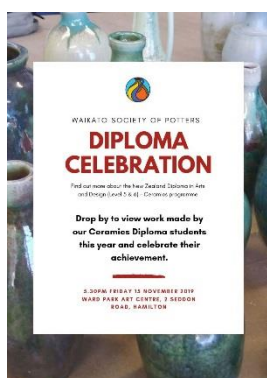
Artist in residence Shining in Hamilton

Our very own Yasmin Davis has been exhibiting up a storm this month with entries in the 48th Annual Waikato Society of Potters Exhibition along with her selection of bird art tiles you can view and buy her creations at the Christmas Exhibition on at the Welcome Swallow Gift shop and Gallery, 378 Grey Street, Hamilton East.

www.wsgalleryandgifts.com. Get along and experience the wonder of the excellence in clay from today until the end of January.



Diploma Celebration



Join us in celebrating our diploma students work on Friday 15 November 2019 at 5.30 at the Waikato Society of Potters Studio

Students from the 2019 classes will be displaying their work. If you have an interest in Ceramics, think you may like to participate at diploma level in ceramics, to advance your skills and hone your creativity.

This will be your opportunity to find out more about the Otago diploma in ceramics level 5 and 6. Come along and talk with existing Diploma students about their experiences, speak with current tutors about what's on offer for 2020.

Private tutorage Available:

If you are interested in learning sculpture and handbuilding and improve your attention to detail on one on one basis. Come and have a chat to Wihelmiina in her studio (studio3, right next to the office)

Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays between 9.30-3pm.

Bookings are done through our society manager Bea.

Looking forward to seeing you.



Volunteers required for:

For Saturdays Play with Clay 2020

Kiln Room – Wednesdays 9.30 -12.30

Kiln Room – Fridays 9.30 – 12.30

If you have spare time and would like to volunteer email us at manager@waikatopotters.co.nz Or pop into the office 10 - 4 Mon -Fri

Notes from the Kiln Room



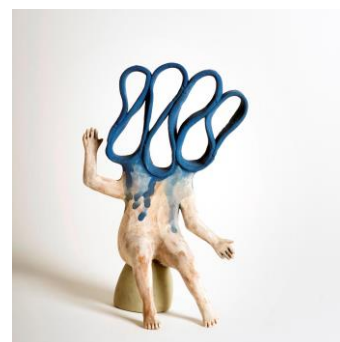
Hi potters, there are a couple of grumbles today.

1. Please, please, please **wipe the bottom of your pots** before popping them on the firing shelves and assure you DO NOT put glaze on too heavy. It takes a lot of work to grind the glaze off the shelves, even worse if it totally wrecks them. We do have a policy of if you wreck it, you own it and you pay for it to be replaced! Don't be offended if you get asked to take the shelf home and clean it.
2. Could we please have the plastic containers returned. We would also appreciate some new ones as well. These are great for popping all the small pieces on to keep your work together.
3. Please remember to empty containers of glaze back into the correct buckets and keep up after yourselves. If you are popping small amounts into containers to use in the studio, please label the containers so we all know what's in each pottle.

On a happy note: we have been getting through the back log of firing and kilns are all working. We have been approved by WEL Networks to have an upgrade to the power we can draw, so watch this space!! Very soon we may be able to fire all the kilns at once

Things don't end at their edges: Kate Fitzharris

Tylee Cottage Residency exhibition at Masterworks Gallery 19 October – 16 November 2019. Saturday afternoon with Kate Fitzharris's Tylee Cottage residency exhibition and an incredibly beautiful installation from Tania Patterson. Kate Fitzharris is exhibiting a wonderful installation of work that follows on from her Tylee Cottage Residency last year. The work is in response to a call by Kate to the local community to share objects with her that were important on a personal level and had stories attached to them. The brief for what that object could be was essentially that it was made from clay. Kate will be giving a talk at the opening event this Saturday from 3pm on her residency and on her recent time spent in Shigaraki, Japan. If any members are interested in hearing Kate talk, please come along.

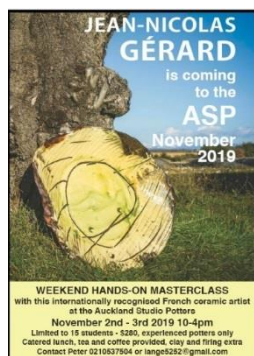


Are the glazes you're using food safe? By Anthea Grob a great read and information from the Wellington Potters association

Gorgeous, but does that glaze you drool over belong on a pot for food and drink? A very interesting read. It is so, sooo easy, to get caught out. You drool about that glaze in the picture, imagine it all over your pot, click 'buy now', and relinquish your credit card details. Before you know it, the glaze powder arrives. Great; you make it up, stick it in the firing and drool over it when it comes out of the kiln because it really looks so fabulous. You are still in the glow of that rare successful outcome when someone absolutely rains on your parade by asking "Is that glaze really safe?"

Read the full story <http://wellingtonpotters.org.nz/are-the-glazes-youre-using-food-safe/>

Masterclass with internationally renowned potter Jean-Nicolas Gerard.



Saturday 2 and Sunday 3 November 2019, 10am-4pm each day, lunch provided. Widely regarded as a potter's potter, Jean-Nicolas Gérard makes freely thrown and decorated slipware at his studio in Valensole, France. The surfaces of his pots become pictorial fields, decorated with exuberant gestures. Jean-Nicolas has exhibited and demonstrated around the world and will be in New Zealand for the month of November in residence at the Auckland Studio Potters Centre. For more information about Jean-Nicolas Gerard and his work: <http://atelier-jardin-poterie.fr/en>

For more information about the workshop and to book:

Contact Peter Lange on 021 053 7504 or at lange5252@gmail.com



Merran Esson Lecture Series - A Maker's Journey: From The Monaro to Middle Earth

Nov 15th - The Dowse Art Museum, Wellington [Register here](#)

Nov 17th - Christchurch Art Gallery, Christchurch [Register here](#)

Nov 19th - Objectspace, Auckland [Register here](#)

The Ceramics Association of New Zealand presents an informal lecture and Q&A with the 2019 Portage Ceramic Awards judge, Merran Esson.

OPPORTUNITY FOR POTTERY SALES

On Saturday 7 December, the Waikato Guild of Woodturners is holding a Sales Day from 9.00am to 3.00pm at their clubrooms at 8 Storey Avenue. The Guild would like to extend the range of craft items on sale and are therefore inviting other craft groups to participate in the day.

The cost to have a table at this event (BYO table) is \$35 and more than one potter can share a table. Tables can be set up the night before the sale day.

If any potters, or groups of potters, would like to be involved, contact Woodturners President Grant Taylor: 0274 929 700 or at gctaylor@glenmarie.nz



Pottery Car Boot sale



Waiclay Team would like to invite anyone interested in selling some pottery to come and join us from 3pm till late on the 7th of December at Janet Smith's Woolshed pottery, 37 Kairangi Road, Rotorangi, Cambridge.

A celebration of all thing's pottery. Public will be invited to witness the opening of the anagama kiln, purchase direct from the kiln and mix and mingle with potters. We plan to have a simple food menu available for a small charge, but you are welcome to BYOFD. For more information Please contact Janet Smith 0272513043 or Gail Drake 07 827 8074

Just rock on up any time after 3pm and we will direct you to where to park your car. No earlier please as we will be holding the walk and talk tour at the museum in the morning.

Final Word

If you would like to keep updated with what's going on at the studio, please do join us on Facebook, Instagram and LinkedIn. We will be live streaming interesting happenings from the studio.

Have a wonderfully potty week,

Waikato Society of Potters