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Hello from your Coastal Carolina Clay Guild Officers!

Hello Guild members! It was wonderful to see such a great turnout at our last guild meeting. Congrats to Brian Evans for winning the raffle and a big thank you to Fat Cat for donating the gift card.

Reminder: 2024 Dues

2024 Membership Dues are now due! If you haven't paid dues in the last 90 days, please pay your 2024 dues **ASAP**. We will update our email and membership list in March to remove inactive members, so please pay your dues soon to ensure you stay informed of all the wonderful things the Guild has planned for 2024!

There are two ways to pay dues:

- Online. You'll see our website's new online payment form <u>here.</u>
 Please note that the new payment form will ask if you want to donate extra to the Guild or to support the membership platform. Both of these are OPTIONAL. You only have to pay your \$20 dues.
- Cash or Check. You can mail your payment to Coastal Carolina Clay Guild, Community Arts Center, 120 S. 2nd St Wilmington NC 28401



2024 Meeting Dates

April 28, 2024 2-4 pm (Peggy Farrell Studio, upstairs room)
May 19, 2024 2-4pm (Donn Ansell Studio, downstairs room)
July 21, 2024 2-4pm (Donn Ansell Studio, downstairs room)
September 22, 2024 2-4pm (Donn Ansell Studio, downstairs room)

All meetings are in the Hannah Block Building located at 120 S. 2nd Street Wilmington, NC28401

Please consider bringing light refreshments and a piece for the pottery exchange!

Empty Bowls

The Guild has a goal for members to donate 200 bowls!

When: March 22nd 2024 from 11am-1:30 pm
Where: First Baptist Activity Center, 1939 Independence Boulevard
100% of proceeds benefit Mother Hubbard and Good Shepherd Center

Donation Details: Fat Cat Pottery is an official drop off location
2500 Blue Clay Rd, Wilmington, NC 28405
*Please don't sign the bottom
Label "Empty Bowls" with NO date if desired

For volunteer opportunities, email Heather heatherleeceramics@gmail.com

John Britt Glaze Workshop

We're excited to host <u>John Britt</u> for a <u>**SOLD OUT** glaze</u> workshop April 19th-21st. He is known internationally for his glaze mixology and chemistry.

If you'd like to be added to the waitlist, please email the Guild.

Registered participants can view workshop requirements for test tiles and supplies <u>here</u>. We look forward to sharing a presentation about the workshop at our May 19th Guild meeting!







Upcoming Workshops

We're excited to share three upcoming special events this spring at Fat Cat Pottery!

Throwing Big with Lucas Lamont

Lucas will share insider tips to throwing large forms during a three day workshop from 4/5-4/7 at Fat Cat Pottery. This course is designed to help potters push their limits throwing 12 to 25lbs of clay. The workshop will run 9:30am-12:30pm each day. To learn more and register, reach out to Fat Cat via email <u>Info@fatcatpottery.com</u> or call 910-395-2529, or register in person.

3 Day Workshop with Ben Owen III

Ben Owen III will be conducting a three day workshop 5/3-5/5 at Fat Cat Pottery. This event is a unique opportunity to learn from a master potter and take your skills to the next level. Registration opens on Saturday, March 2nd. To register, head to Fat Cat or call Sarah or Stephanie at 910-395-2529. Space is limited!

Coastal Carolina Clay Guild Gathering

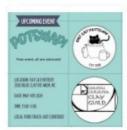
The Coastal Carolina Clay Guild will be gathering at Fat Cat Pottery for a mingle and luncheon on Saturday, May 4th 11:00am to 2:00pm. This is a fantastic chance to network with other potters and exchange ideas and techniques. This is a free event for all Coastal Carolina Clay Guild members.



Luke Lamont



Ben Owen III



CCCG Gathering

Want to share an upcoming event? Email the Guild to have the event featured in upcoming newsletters.

Pottery Classifieds

Below are items available for purchase from fellow potters. If you are in search of something, or are selling equipment, please reach out to the Guild (coastalcarolinaclayguild@gmail.com) to have it added to this section.



Laguna Spray Booth \$1,000 OBO

Includes the exhaust system, regulator and bracket and stainless



steel shelf. If interested, reach out to Cody Jeffcoat codyjeffcoat@icloud.com



Geil DLB54S Propane Kiln \$20,000

Burners were replaced a couple years before last firing. Kiln floor is new. Includes 12 advancer shelves (18"x24") and bricks. Price of same kiln new is \$69,000. If interested, reach out to Cody Jeffcoat codyjeffcoat@icloud.com

Notable Ceramic Topic: Wedgwood Roots in North Carolina

When Andrew Duche first made porcelain in 1739 from clay found in the Cherokee region of the North Carolina mountains, his art inspired others, including English potter Josiah Wedgwood. Wedgwood commissioned Griffiths to obtain this "Cherokee clay," or kaolin. Griffiths endured many hardships on his journey but delivered a five-ton shipment to Wedgwood in England in 1769.



