

# Northwest Polymer Clay Guild **PLAY CLAY**



## Guild Highlights

By Kim Day



Susan Locsin presented a fun surface technique using masking fluid as a clay resist medium with various pigments of choice – paint, chalks, alcohol inks and mica powders. Everyone was given samples to try. She also showed a fun technique

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on how to apply mica powders to a stamp and how to use tape on raw clay to remove it from the non-indented designs.



July was also our month for another Third Place Commons Clay Play Day, we had a blast!

### ***New: Eastside Clay Day***

Third Tuesday of the Month | 10:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m. | Susan Locsin's residence  
*Guild members are invited to join Eastside fun!*

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### ***Amazon Smile***

*Shopping on Amazon? Choose the Northwest Polymer Clay Guild as recipient of [Amazon Smile](#) and with every [eligible purchase](#), Amazon will donate 0.5% to our Guild*

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*Photos by Kim Day & Meredith Arnold*

## **Show & Tell**



Carolyn's dioramas



Kim Day's pc-covered bracelet helpers



Jan Munyon's beads



Cathy Gilbert's rings



Kim Day's earrings



Kim Day's pendants



Kim Day's pendants

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## Go Join Fair Competitions!

By Kim Day

As with last year, Cathy and I are willing to transport crafted objects for those wishing to enter either the Evergreen State Fair in Monroe or the Washington State Fair in Puyallup. If you want to avail of this option, bring



your items to the August 7th meeting.

Here are the requirements for entry:

### **Evergreen State Fair**

[Click here for a copy of the PDF Contest rules and categories.](#)

Register online by August 8th. Fill a 3x5 card with the following information and bring it with your

entry:

1. Is this an original design or kit/pattern?
2. Are the components created by you or purchased?
3. Is this a class project? Include Class Code (as adults ours is X11) .

*Categories we can enter:*

J10. Sculpture: Figurines

J11. Sculpture: Other

J12. Accessories

J13. Jewelry: with caned components

J14. Jewelry: non-caned components

J15. 2D Creations

### **Washington State Fair**

[Click here for a copy of the PDF Hobby Hall rules and categories.](#)

Register online by August 14th (Department: Hobby Hall). Bring your entry items and online entry summary/receipt. There is no specific polymer clay category but here are ones you can consider (check their website for more categories such as barrettes, picture frames, decorated hats and many more):

DIVISION 212 – DOLL HOUSE ACCESSORIES & MINIATURES

Class 3602 – MINIATURE FOOD

DIVISION 215 – JEWELRY

Class 4080 BEADS, UP TO 3 made by exhibitor – glass, polymer, fabric, metal, paper, wood, Fimo sculpting clay

Class 4061 – CONTEMPORARY BRACELET

Class 4085 – OTHER JEWELRY

DIVISION 217 – CRAFTS

Class 4243 – NON FIRED CLAY (polymer, Fimo, etc)

DIVISION 221 – HOLIDAY DECORATIONS

Class 4500 – ORNAMENT (One)

## Upcoming Activities

By Kim Day

### Beginner's Class



It's scheduled! We're going to limit class size to 20, so if you know someone interested let them know about it soon. September 22nd from 1:00 p.m. until 4:00 p.m.

We will teach beginning canes (bullseye and lace canes) and making beads and buttons from them. If we have extra time like we did last time, we will also do mirror image beads, skinner blends, and lentil swirl beads as well. All supplies are included, the class is free, and it will be held at ArtWorks.

### Miniature Gingerbread House Decorating Party

Our returning tradition, we will be decorating tiny miniature polymer clay gingerbread houses with tiny polymer clay candies again.

Place: Artworks



Date: Saturday, December 2nd

Time: 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Food: Potluck!

We have a fridge and kitchen available as well. Bring polymer candies to share. The entire gingerbread house is only about three inches long, so size accordingly. If a candy is one inch

long in actual size, make it  $\frac{1}{4}$  inch long with polymer clay.

## Evergreen State Fair Demos



We have scheduled four full days of demos at the Fair. With only one six-foot table available, I am limiting signups to two people at a time this year.

Dates: Aug 24, 25, 31 & Sept 1 (Saturdays and Sundays)

Time Slots: 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. and 3:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

What it entails: hand out free keychains with our Guild business cards attached. Answer questions about polymer clay. Bring show and tell items you have made. Bring tools and supplies to make things! Tell them about our beginner's class coming up – this is always a great time to promote it.

The Fair organizers have also asked if there are any additional days people might want to volunteer, so let me know if you're willing to demo during the week as well. Just send me an email at [polymerclay@gmail.com](mailto:polymerclay@gmail.com).

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## Monthly Meetings



# August Program: Round Robin

By Kim Day | Aug 7, 2019 | 6:30 p.m. | [Artworks](#)



We will be covering cheap BIC pens with polymer clay. In this round robin, Kim Day will show how to smoothly cover and bake pens. If you would like to participate, bring the following materials:

- Clay of choice,
- Blade,
- Pasta machine or roller,
- Work surface, and
- Either canes or a decorated veneer (flat sheet).

Pens will be provided. Pliers will also be available for sharing if you do not have your own. Kim will have extra leaf and/or kaleidoscope canes to share, depending on how ambitious she is when the time comes!

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## September Program: Clay Social

By Cathy Gilbert | September 4, 2019 | 6:30 p.m. | [Artworks](#)



It's summer! You know what that means... it's hot! But it's also Fair time. The Evergreen State Fair in Monroe starts August 22nd and the Puyallup Fair starts August 30th. Several of our members are planning on entering this year and we'll know by the September meeting how everyone did. So it will be a great time to come out for a Clay Social celebrating and sharing. It will be great to see what people have been working on during the summer and get some ideas from our fellow peeps. Hope to see everyone there!

Have a program idea? Contact Cathy, click the button below.

Email Cathy

## President's Message

By Kim Day | [polymerclay@gmail.com](mailto:polymerclay@gmail.com)

## Lotsa Things Happening!

Hiya Guildies!



Those of us doing the 100 day Facebook/Instagram challenged finished! Then I took a little break, and now I'm missing doing daily clay. Not quite enough to do it every day but it was so nice to have it be something I was going to do, not something I had to make special plans for. So now I get to try to find a balance and I'm kind of looking forward to it.

We've made dates for Evergreen State Fair (Monroe) demos, Gingerbread House Play Day, and the Beginner's Class. See other sections for details. For those planning to donate beads/keychains for the Fair giveaways, please bring them to our August meeting.

We are also still seeking someone willing to run for Program VP or President. Hopefully someone volunteers before our October elections. Past newsletter had descriptions on both positions, but feel free to drop me an email if you have additional questions.

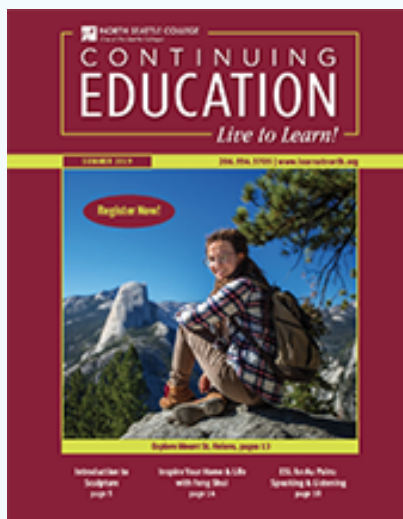
Lots of great things coming up, hope you're as excited as I am!

*Kim Day*


## Announcements

By Meredith Arnold

### [Polymer Clay Workshop at North Seattle Community College](#)



Learn to make customized tools, polymer clay pendants, beads, earrings, buttons, sculpture, boxes... and whatever you want! Explore creating textures and patterns using rubber stamps, found objects, cookie cutters, stencils, acrylic paint, mica powders and more. This class will cover how to prep the clay, mix and blend colors, different ways to construct and cut items, bake, polish and if, when and how to seal your clay pieces. Go home with original art ready for wear or display.

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