

# Northwest Polymer Clay Guild **PLAY CLAY**



## Guild Highlights

By Kim Day

### August Round Robin



Kim Day (me!) demoed how to cover pens with polymer clay, and also used the same technique to demonstrate how to cover a bracelet helper. The pens used were [Bic Round Ball Pens](#) or Bic Round Stic pens, for those wanting to try it on their own.

First, use pliers to remove the ink by the black plastic part that comes out of the barrel. Cover and

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

Third Tuesday of the Month | 10:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m. | Susan

bake the pen, rolling to smooth and trimming the top as necessary, and reinsert ink once baked. People made some gorgeous creations, and I believe Grace went a little wild and will have an amazing show and tell for us next time. :)

## Evergreen State Fair Demos

What a blast! As of this writing, we are done with one packed full weekend with one more to go. The Seahawks and cake keychains went very, very quickly. As opposed to the Puyallup Fair, it was quite refreshing to hear all the interested people saying that Edmonds wasn't too far for them.

Thanks so much to the volunteers that put in their time to share their love of the medium, spread some information around, and maybe see the Guild grow a little.

Our volunteers included myself, Katie W., Krithika, Maria B., Cathy G., Patti SS., and Jerri R. We were able to tell them about the upcoming Free Beginner's Class, our Lake Forest Park Clay Days, and our annual Mini Gingerbread House Decorating Party. We already have some of the people that saw us at the Fair signed up for the beginner's class. Hooray! I decided as my project for a 10 hour demo shift to start with an easy perler bead based extruded cane.

Let's just say my size estimate was off and it ended up taking the entire 10 hours just to mix colors, make and reduce the cane. Check out the pics. Cathy demonstrated her amazing snails trails cane, Jerri worked on a complex butterfly cane, and Krithika made a neat shaded geometric cane. Also thanks to those that contributed to the keychains: Susan L., Katie, Patti S. and Maria B.

Locsin's residence  
*Guild members are invited to join Eastside fun!*

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### **Amazon Smile**

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### **Let's Be Friends**

*IG & Pinterest:  
[@NWPCG1994](#)  
You can also send us photos of your works to be featured in our social media accounts. It's time to show off your creations!*

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*Photos by Kim Day  
Banner Covered  
Pencils made by  
Grace*

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## Show & Tell

*Editor's Note:*

Apologies Dear Friends!

Life happens; we are currently moving houses and traveling right after. Our Show & Tell and August meeting photos will be featured in a special issue newsletter next week when we get back.

Thank you for your patience,

Ria M. Hoyt

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## 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 ¼ inch long with polymer clay.

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## Monthly Meetings

# 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!

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# October Program: **Fire, Water, Wind and Sun Stones**

By Maria Brown | Oct 2, 2019 | 6:30 p.m. | [Artworks](#)



I have been perfecting my imitative semi-precious gemstone recipes for years, and in October I will walk you through my best and latest recipes for a beautiful fiery Carnelian, a cool watery Amethyst, a calm Grade 'A' Chrysoprase, and a Baltic Butterscotch Amber. These are wonderful imitative techniques that can be used for beads, cabachons and veneers for boxes and other fun stuff!

All materials will be provided. Please bring a work surface, pasta machine/clay roller, and your usual tools and small cutters, if you have them.

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



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## President's Message

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



### Show The Love!

With zero responses to repeated articles about needing a VP of Programs or a President for the next two-year term, I've decided to run for both of these positions, ballots will be in next month's newsletter.

Luckily, only one Vice President is required by the WA State Non-Profit guidebook, and so we squeak by. If there comes a year where we fail to meet the minimum amount of elected officials, we will lose the non-profit

status and the entirety of our Guild's banked funds.

I've done what I can to make being on the Board a pleasant experience, we do all votes by email, we meet once a year to do the budget, we've automated a lot of the membership process and we've done away with the requirement of attending a certain number of meetings.

I love being a part of this Guild, I look forward to all of our meetings, and especially to the yearly Clay Camp. If you like it too, consider helping out. Next year we'll be voting on the positions of Treasurer, VP of Membership and Secretary.

That being said, we have so many exciting events coming up. September 14th is our every other month day-long Clay Day at Third Place Commons. Susan Locsin has been hosting a monthly Clay Day at her house for the Eastside clayers (third Tuesday of the month). We have a beginner's class coming up, and the annual Mini Gingerbread House decorating party. See future newsletters for info about the December Holiday Party (my favorite of the year).

Remember for those not local, you can send us pictures of show and tell for the newsletter as well!

*Kim Day*

## Announcements

By Cathy Gilbert

### **Demo at the Cascadia Art Museum**



## Cascadia Art Museum

I've been contacted by the Cascadia Art Museum in Edmonds to demo a little project in coordination with the local Edmonds Bird Fest. We're going to make small bird figurines to go on the end of pencils or use as beads or little statues. They are expecting 40-50 people, so we'll see! It sounds like fun and I'm looking forward to it!

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