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Holiday Party Recap & New Things for 2021!

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Highlights: Holiday Party Recap

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We had our largest Zoom turnout yet, I believe 20 people – so many faces that were just wonderful to see. We had some prize drawings, talked a bit, then got down to the main event, our brown bag exchange.

With 12 people sharing their bags (but not enough steals!!), there were some wonderful things. It would have made more sense to have written this when I still remembered, but some of the items included a gift certificate at Joy's screen stencil/clay cutters store, an egg ornament, foils to use on clay, a sculpture by Gil, and Sharon who went all out and put 100 different things in her bag such as a beautiful book about clay, pendant, earrings, FIMO leather, etc. There was not a bag I would have been unhappy to go home with, so I'd call the night a success.

While we're still all sad we can't meet up in person and give hugs, I'm so grateful we still have a way to meet up together. Hope your holidays were wonderful!

Show & Tell



By Cheryl Dixon



By Cheryl Dixon



Covered pen by Cheryl Dixon



Covered pen by Cheryl Dixon



Earrings by Esther Schmidt



Earrings by Esther Schmidt



Jewelry by Esther Schmidt



Jewelry by Esther Schmidt



Dragon ornament by Kim Day



Dragon ornament by Kim Day



Earrings by Kim Day



Dragon ornament by Kim Day



Ornament by Kim Day



Ornament by Maria Brown



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January Program: Clay Social

By Kim Day | polymerclay@gmail.com | January 6th, 2020 | 6:30 p.m.

As usual, our January program is a Clay Social. Bring a project you'd like to work on (clay or otherwise), or just hang out and talk. This is our chance to show off holiday gifts, talk about how much crap we ate, talk about the presents you made for people



(pictures count for show and tell by the way, and pictures on the phone usually show up very well in Zoom). Bring questions, good jokes, bad jokes.

Online Meetings: Zoom with Us!

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We have our monthly meeting over Zoom the first Wednesday of the month from 6:30 p.m.-9:00 p.m.

We also have small informal clay days every Wednesday 6:30-9:00 p.m. and every Saturday 9:00 a.m.-noon. All of these use the same Zoom link.

You are welcome to invite other people you know to these, there is no membership requirement for our informal get togethers. They can also craft with other mediums than clay.

If you'd like to be on an email list for people who want to schedule Zoom things outside these Wednesday and Saturday times, please let me know with very specific words "Add me to the Zoom e-mail list" at polymerclay@gmail.com

Zoom Link

Meeting ID: 988 553 9980 Password: clayisfun

Zoom with Us

President's Message: Online Onwards

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Hi! While it's something we can do every day, let's use the new year as a reset, to remind ourselves where we are and where we want to be. A fresh start, each day is a new chance to do something: learn a new Spanish word (looking at you Maria), eat some veggies, tidy a corner of a room, plan your next clay project – the sky is the limit but remember to keep it as something you can reach.

I'm thinking if I want to try a 52-week challenge again (make one thing a week for the year, usually themed). Twice now, I've failed to finish but my second attempt was longer! I may be a little crazy, but one project I may try during the next year is making a chess set. My husband suggested Lord of the Rings. I'm usually not patient enough to do big complicated projects, but... hmm.

Feel free to share any New Year's Resolutions, or projects you're tackling. If you come across a neat clay zoom class, or nifty new products, share the info. And as always, I'd love ideas for monthly programs and round robins.

Here are a couple virtual events/programs I know about.

Polymer Clay Symposium

From February 5th to 12th, 2021. Each day there will be free videos and projects, but if you want access to them in the future or can't watch them live, there is a fee.

Polymer Clay Adventure

These are high quality classes from some well known clay artists. These are only available through the paid program, 24 teachers with classes, and a wonderful online community, for \$147, with the classes being released January through August.

Clayathon 2021

16th Annual Clayathon Retreat on February 13, 14 and 15. The Registration fee is \$35 and includes six hours of demos by Guest Artist Carol Blackburn plus hanging out with Kathleen Dustin, Lindly Haunani, Loretta Lam, Syndee Holt and all your Clayathon friends. There are also paid classes before and after those dates (so they don't interfere with the clayathon), but with limited class sizes, some teachers already filled up but may schedule additional dates.

For now, the Guild is not scheduling a 2021 in person Clay Camp, but we could still have online classes, brown bag exchanges, demos, and more. Please send in ideas for things that should happen during our Online Clay Camp!

Happy Trails everyone.

Kim



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