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Mini Mask Tutorial, All Day Clay Day & More!

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Highlights: March Recap

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Sharon Mhyre gave us an incredible presentation for April's monthly meeting. She showed us each step for making fun miniature tribal inspired masks, with baked examples at each stage, and finished masks as well for inspiration. As if that wasn't enough, she also made a detailed step by step write-up to remind us of what we learned during her demonstration. Thank you Sharon!

To get Sharon's mini mask tutorial, click here.

Show & Tell



Canes by Cathy Gilbert



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March program mini masks by Cathy Gilbert



Earrings by Esther Schmidt



Jewelry set by Esther Schmidt



Earrings by Esther Schmidt

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 10:00 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 email list" at polymerclay@gmail.com

Zoom Link

Meeting ID: 988 553 9980 Password: clayisfun

April: Programs

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Clay Social | April 7th, 2020 | 6:30 p.m.



April's program is a Clay Social. What does this mean? We get on Zoom, do our usual show and tell, then whatever we want. Bring a clay project to work on, bring questions you have, work on a non-clay project, make

cookies and torture the rest of us that you aren't sharing. These are like our twice weekly Zoom hangouts, but more people can make the commitment to show up once a month, so there will be more of us there. :)

Clay Day | April 10th, 2020 | 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.



There will be another day-long clay day on April 10th on Zoom from 10am-5pm. Come for all or part of it. Our normal Saturdays are 10-noonish. These long clay days happen every other month, in place of our Third Place Clay Days.

Announcements

Virtual Retreat

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There are a few days left of the Polymer Clay Virtual Retreat. Each day you can go online and see the videos for free, but if you want access to them after that date you'd have to purchase. Here's the website for those interested: <u>Virtual Retreat</u> <u>website</u>. The artists' pages will be available for seven days, March 24th - 30th, 2021.

Art Jewelry Symposium

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An online Art Jewelry Symposium is taking place from April 16-24th. There will be over 28 online workshops for free. Workshops, including Riveting Techniques, Metal

Working Techniques, Mixed Media and Resin Techniques, Beading Techniques, Stringing Techniques, Jewelry Clay Techniques, Bail Techniques and more will be available to watch for 24 hrs. For more details and to register, <u>click here</u>.

Artworks is Re-opening!

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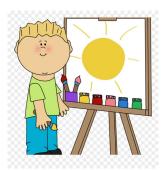
ArtWorks is re-opening April 1st! Woohoo! Of course, safety protocols will be in place such as limiting the number of people in the building to 20 at a time, face masks are required, and maintaining reasonable safe distancing of three feet when possible.

The kitchen will be closed but an electric kettle, disposable cups and tea, etc. will be available on the counter in the Great Room. There is already a refrigerator under the counter in the Great Room. There is a hand sanitizing station by the front door. Spray sanitizer and wipes will be provided to use when your session is done: simply spray tables, counters, and bathrooms and wipe door handles and light switches before leaving.

ArtWorks will remain open as long as Snohomish County holds Phase 3 status. We look forward to seeing you and having creative sessions at ArtWorks again!

Perrinville Sale

By Gil Ledesma



Starting in April, there will be an art sale every weekend in Perrinville, across from The Hook restaurant. Come check it out!

President's Message: Real & Virtual Growth

By Kim Day | polymerclay@gmail.com



Mistress Mary, quite contrary, how does your garden grow?

One of the things that brought unexpected joy to me last year was watching my garden grow, and picking spinach and squash almost daily. We decided to expand this year, to add new stuff and more of the old. Having something to look forward to makes all the difference for me mentally.

With the pandemic, it's been hard to plan, plans already in place had to be cancelled. Now we are seeing a possible finish line, which makes the wait both harder and easier at the same time.

We will be having our Clay Camp virtually again this year. But with more time to plan ahead than last year, maybe we can line up some demos or events. If there's something you'd like to see, an activity you'd like to do (wasn't the brown bag exchange at the winter party awesome? Want to do it again?) please let me know.

Also, there have been whispered mentions of the possibility of having an in-person Fall Clay Camp. There would be a lot of logistics to work out, so no guarantees yet. For sure we are scheduling another Mini Gingerbread House Party in November.

Hopefully these upcoming events can be a nice ray of light to those of you who need one right now.

Take care, stay sane (ish), and clay on.

Kim



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