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Northwest Designer Craftsmen

www.nwdc-online.org

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NWDC online calendar: <http://www.nwdc-online.org/calendar/>

Members' Only Site: <https://sites.google.com/site/nwdesignercraftsmen>

Meetings and Speakers



Phinney Neighborhood Center Program:

2nd Wed. of the month

Board meetings 5:30-7 (open to everyone)

Speaker 7-8 pm / Social Time 8-9 pm

Phinney Neighborhood Center location:

6532 Phinney Ave N, Seattle, WA 98103, in the lower (east) building basement

March	Slide Bank "Show and Tell" (see page 2)
April 13	Stewart Wong (ceramics)
May 11	Loren Lukens (ceramics)
June 8	Julia Haack (wood sculpture)

NWDC Annual Meeting

Sunday, January 24, 2016

2:30 to 4:00

Brightwater Center

22505 State Route 9 SE

Woodinville, WA 98072

<http://www.kingcounty.gov/services/environment/brightwater-center/facility.aspx>

Come meet our new members, enjoy the public Art at the fabulous Brightwater Center, and hear about our new board and the many fabulous directions NWDC may take!

Thank You Volunteers!

Give a big shout out to our volunteers in the past month. Dick Weiss and Lynnn Di Nino were our generous hosts for the Holiday Party. Joyce Hayes, Jean Tudor, Jenny Fillius, Nancy Hewitt and Gary Molyneaux made soup. Terry Siebert, Dona Anderson, Don Myhre and Katherine Lewis helped to keep things organized and picked up at the Party. Thank you for your help. If you volunteered and we missed saying thank you, please let us know at nwdcvolunteers@gmail.com so that you get proper recognition!

Volunteer Positions Now Available

The following volunteer positions are waiting for you. Please contact nwdcvolunteers@gmail.com if you see something that fits your interests and schedule. Your association is asking for a few hours once a year. Start early for 2016!

Art Repacking Volunteers, Current Show, UW Medicine at SLC (need 2 volunteers): Help re-pack members' work for pick-up. Date: January 6, 2016. Duration: 10 am to 2 pm.

Art Repacking and Loading Volunteers, Current Show, UW Medicine at SLC (1 more volunteer needed; 2 members already have volunteered): Finish repacking members' work for pick-up and help load work into vehicles. Date: January 7, 2016. Duration: 10 am to 2 pm.

Check-In Volunteers, February Show, UW Medicine at SLC (need 2 volunteers): Check in work for the second show at SLC. Date: February 1, 2016. Duration: 10 am to 2 pm.

Hospitality Chair (1 volunteer needed): Coordinate all logistics for the Summer and Winter Socials. Don't worry. We will help you find volunteers to do much of the work. Your job is to make it happen! Date: July- August, 2016 and: November – December, 2016. Volunteer for one or both events. Duration: Estimated 10-20 hours for each Social.

Membership Chair (1 volunteer needed): Work with applicants for NWDC membership from application through the voting process. Help current NWDC members review applications and submit their votes. This is one of the best documented jobs within NWDC. Contact nwdcvolunteers@gmail.com for a full job description. The current chair, Lin McJunkin, has worked three years to iron out the process so that it runs smoothly. And we'll help you get additional volunteers to do some of the specific tasks. Dates: September 2016 through early January 2017. This job requires attendance at Board meetings in September, October, November and December plus several hours of management.

Our Annual Slide Bank "Show and Tell" presentation will be at our monthly meeting on March 9, 2016. Members send 5 slides of a designated size to our Slide Bank Coordinator, who then puts them into a Powerpoint slide show that the members narrate themselves. Typically, around 15 – 20 members participate each year. This project takes around 3-4 hours and you can do it all from home! You can run it at the meeting or someone else will do that for us, your choice.

Past Slide Bank Coordinator Lanny Bergner (Lbergner@wavecable.com) can answer any questions. Please respond to Patricia Ressigue by Jan 12, 2016, (fibergal2@me.com) if you are interested.



Angel Fund – if you or someone you know needs help paying your NWDC membership dues of \$50 this year, please let me know. Due to generous donations at our recent holiday party, this fund is well stocked for 2016. Please remember that all requests are strictly confidential, with only the Board involved.

Thank you, Lin McJunkin, retiring Membership Chair (hint, hint)

Don Myhre Gives Back!

When you see Don Myhre please give him special thanks for all the times he has volunteered in the last three months. He has been hard at work at the Kay Sekimachi Reception at BAM, at the take in and set up of the first show at SLC, and as volunteer at the Holiday Party. Thank you Don. Your contributions help make NWDC a great association.



NWDC Holiday Party.....



.....And Lynn Di Nino & Dick Weiss, our delightfully demented hosts

Huge thanks to Dick Weiss and Lynn Di Nino, our hosts for the 2015 NWDC Holiday Party! This delightful duo is so gifted at merrymaking! Thank you Dick & Lynn for sharing your joy, good cheer, and loved art with NWDC. What a gift of well-being to NWDC! And thank you to members who came and mingled and brought soups and potluck dishes. Parties make NWDC NWDC!

Good Company.....Lively Conversation.....



This is a good opportunity to mention that Alida Latham (in the bottom left hand photo, seated second from right with the green top and necklace) and her husband, Chris Latham (not shown), gave \$2,000 to the Angel Fund! We thank them so heartily!!

Excellent Food.....



The Party House



At the Holiday Party, there was hearty and well-deserved applause for the NWDC Board. The new Madame President, Julia Lowther, and the new treasurer, Mary Hosick, each took a bow. We welcomed the new members.

Special Mention of Deb Schwartzkopf and George Rodriquez

Then we gave special attention to member Deb Schwartzkopf, who with her partner, George Rodriquez, did the near impossible: they made the cover of American Craft. This could not go unremarked. It was the community issue. Since Deb is new to the NWDC community, I asked two NWDC members associated with Pottery Northwest to speak about Deb. Wally Bivins, who brought so much talent to this region with his residency program at Pottery Northwest, spoke about Deb's work ethic and all the results that come from that. He championed her pride in calling herself a potter. Then Marge Levy, who will be giving the closing address at the 2016 NCECA, spoke about nurturing talent through challenge and how proud she is of Deb's accomplishments. Much applause followed. Deb mentioned that George is awesome. -- Lois Harbaugh



Deb Schwartzkopf and George Rodriquez



Marge Levy and Lois Harbaugh holding up the cover pages of American Craft which features Deb and George.



Deb Schwartzkopf



Wally Bivins



Marge Levy



Lois Harbaugh

Member News



Berg #1
Kathleen Probst ©2015
39 x 34 inches



Lava
Kathleen Probst ©2015
33 x 33 inches



Rising
Kathleen Probst ©2015
58 x 56 inches

All of the above work is fabric hand-dyed by the artist, machine pieced and machine quilted.

MODERN SIMPLICITY

A Solo Exhibition By Kathleen Probst
Visions Art Museum

January 16—April 3, 2016

Modern Simplicity reflects Kathleen Probst's path toward minimalism. Her work is influenced by mid-century modern furniture, and the art and architecture of the Bauhaus era. Using her hand-dyed fabric, Probst balances clean lines and simplicity with design elements of strong color that define her shapes. Large expanses of open space provide a stage for subtle quilting, letting her bold graphic designs inform the work.

Meet Kathleen at the opening reception on January 16, 2016 from 5:00-7:00 p.m. Admission is \$7. Light refreshments will be served.

[Visions Art Museum](#)

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San Diego, CA 92106
619-546-4872

Gallery Hours

Tuesday – Saturday 10am – 4pm
Sunday Noon – 4pm

kathleenprobst.com

simple modern textile art

Subscribe for studio updates & exhibition announcements here: [Keep up with Kathleen](#)

Member News

Gale Lurie has five pieces in the “Masters In Miniature” invitational show at Vashon Allied Arts Gallery showing through the month of December. She’s new to the island and her new gallery was on the Vashon Island Art Studio Tour.



Vessel by Gale Lurie



Vessel by Gale Lurie

New Members

A Glimpse At the Work of Our Four New Members



Dale Reiger



Naoko Morisawa



Nancy Loorem



Robert (Bill) Roeder

New opportunities for NWDC members to promote their work and interact within the group! NWDC members have been busy arranging for some wonderful opportunities for us all. Please take advantage of the two sites listed here.

Our new “members only” facebook page:

As most of you know, NWDC currently has a business page on Facebook. This is curated and administered by Julie Conway and CJ Hurley. The Board has decided to move forward to create an additional Facebook page that is for NWDC members ONLY. The goal of this page is to build community engagement.

Once you have been added to the group, you may post about your upcoming shows, you may post about needing a ride to a meeting or ask a question about a technique or post a tip....whatever you feel is relevant and appropriate. As with all Facebook groups, please be polite.

Nia Michaels and Barbara De Pirro are currently the admins, but another person or two would also be helpful.

The new page is located here:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/NWDCMembers/>

Click on over and request to be added!

New website under construction!

New opportunity to update your images!

Perhaps you've previewed NWdesignercraftsmen.org, when you applied for the South Lake Union exhibit. With this new website, NWDC gets a style up-date and each member gets the opportunity of a “personal page.” Check out the examples on “Members” at www.nwdesignercraftsmen.org: click on any of the square images to see more photos and text about a particular artist.

You may send imagery and text to Eva Funderburgh (evafunderburgh@gmail.com) for your page. Here's what Eva will need:

- 3-4 pictures of your work, 1500 pixels wide. jpg would be fine, but it doesn't matter too much. Title each one with the piece's title. Any font is okay.
- An artist's statement or brief bio. 125 words or so, +/- 25
- 1 square cropped picture to use as a thumbnail on the front page. Size doesn't matter very much for this one, just at least 300 or so.

Please participate! It's important that “Members” accurately reflects our membership!

Hello NWDC! It is great to have the 2 Facebook pages working for us! For the 500+ fans of the business page we would LOVE to see as many process shots from the studio from the past creative year.

Please send these photos with small info posts to Julie Conway info@illuminataglass.com or CJ Hurley cj@cjhurley.com for the Business Page announcements.

NWDC Members: Facebook Business Site

Social Media is key to marketing.

Steps to using the NWDC FB Page

* Please join the NWDC Facebook Page at this link: <https://www.facebook.com/pages/Northwest-Designer-Craftsmen-NWDC/355877767779930>

* Please send this same link to your friends to join as a fan, and to show that you are a part of an illustrious craft guild in the Northwest.

Making a FB Page for your art:

It is best to market your work with a FB Business page. You can start one by going to the HOME page and look at the left side column. You will see a category called PAGES. Click on START A NEW PAGE. From here you can operate your business page. This is truly the best practice as fans do not have to be involved in personal activity.

We will be featuring a focus of media per month on the Facebook page. Along with your regular news of studio events and art exhibitions, please note that we are going to try to drive traffic to our own websites and Facebook pages via the NWDC group page.

In the following months, please do extra posting or “liking” or “sharing” if you are working in a particular medium, there will be a month dedicated to that. Share articles about your medium or links to particular shows with artists making work in that format. Also, a great time to share something special to your practice.

Facebook posts can be more focused.

Please send an email with your info to Julie: info@illuminataglass.com or to Barbara: cj@cjhurley.com

January : Wood artists — post away! Share photos, articles of wood shows, and wood making techniques.

February : Fiber Artists

March : Glass Artists

April : Jewelry

May: Basketry

June: Clay/ Ceramic

July: Beadwork

August: Craft- in general

Sept: Fiber Arts/ textile

Oct: Mixed Media

Nov: Sculpture

Dec: Hand Made Gifts

Please send information regarding your artwork, shows, craft events, and other related topics to

CJ Hurley: cj@cjhurley.com

Julie Conway info@illuminataglass.com

How to submit information to the NWDC newsletter

The deadline is the 15th of the month for the next month's newsletter. What is appropriate to submit? Anything in your professional life you would like to share with NWDC members: exhibits, awards, classes, art or studio sales, call for entries, etc. Be sure to include all the information: who, what, when, where & why.

How should text be formatted? Please send your information in the body of an e-mail, **not as a Word document**. The newsletter editor will copy/paste. Please, do NOT send your text in PDF files or jpeg copies of gallery postcards! The text in jpegs and PDFs cannot be copied and pasted.

What about Images? We want images! They need to be in jpeg format, 72 dpi, about 400 pixels on the longest side. Please include name, title, medium, dimensions, etc. Website addresses are great too.

The deadline is the 15th of the month. Send to Denise Snyder at: NWDCeditor@gmail.com

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NWDC VOLUNTEERS

Don't forget to say
"thank you" to these
people who make
NWDC work for you.