

**Cariboo Potters' Guild  
Newsletter  
May 2016**

"Whether by design or by accident, many of us seem to find enduring gratification in struggling to master and then repeatedly applying some difficult skill that allows us at once to realize and express ourselves.

The feelings and purposes around art-making ... ricochet among private, public, and communal places, but the creative process often demands seclusion to germinate its seed."

(Thanks Wendell Berry)

**James Hibbert Workshop**

As I have been away for awhile, I feel, and am, somewhat out of the loop. Thanks Buff for sending me info regarding the James Hibbert workshop. If anyone took photos, it would be nice to add a couple of fresh ones to the website. Please send them to me.

The workshop went well. There were 12 guild members, plus one person from Sorrento and a friend of Glory's from Langley. There were demos and hands on each day. James demonstrated throwing from the hump, lids, vases and joining sections to make a large pot. .It was a full two days with novice potters working on their basic throwing with a lot of help from James. He also spent time working with some on texturing and carving their pots. The pot luck dinner was at Lesley's and James gave some suggestions on the gas kiln. He really enjoyed the weekend and was impressed with the camaraderie of our group. He left us with several pots to fire and finish.

**Website:** go to [cariboopotters.ca](http://cariboopotters.ca)

If you wish to read past minutes, they are located on a secure page of the sight. Guild members can gain access using the password "clay". There was an error that gave a different password in the most recent minutes.

The guild's most productive potters traditionally took a break after Christmas, but now with our bowl and decadence events in the spring and Stampede mugging, potters have to create pockets of down time. I seem to be having an extended one of those. I hope to get going again once I am home.

**Stampede Mugging**

Mugs of all shapes and sizes are welcome. This year profits will go into a guild fund for future workshops. It is great that we received a grant to help with our recent one, but that will not always be the case, and I think everyone will agree that workshops are informative and inspiring.

**Spring Sale May 28**

With huge cooperative energy, this event seems well planned and ready to roll.

The town should be hopping with the Shriners event and the Children's Festival on the same day.

**Seconds Sale. May 29**

Over the past year, no doubt each of us has produced a few 'seconds'. Remember, to someone else's eye, they may be treasures! Especially at garage sale prices. It is a great way to create

shelf space in your studio while supporting the guild. Please leave identified donation pots on the table at the guild.

### **Children's Festival**

Buff, Colleen, & Christine have offered to lend me a hand with this. It isn't a huge amount of work and is always fun, but the day can seem long, so another couple of helpers would be appreciated. Just let me know. Thanks, Christy R

### **June Potluck Meeting**

This year Alan has graciously offered to host this evening. He lives on Allpress Road at Rose Lake, just a 20-21km drive toward Horsefly from Hwy 97. His address is 3813 Allpress Road. Alan has recently built a studio in his home. It will be fun to see. I'm looking forward to paddling over. It will be great not to have the drive home from town after the meeting. Carpooling is a good idea when the meeting location is out of town. The potluck starts at 6:30. If people rendezvous at the guild at 5:50, rides can be sorted out. Maybe post something if you need a ride.

This meeting is also when we hold elections for the coming year. We welcome new volunteers to help steer the ship. A number of positions will be open. Please give this consideration.



Just had to add this photo of a resident of Tulum Mayan ruin.

See you soon. Christy