

Northwest Designer Craftsmen

www.nwdc-online.org

Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/pages/Northwest-Designer-Craftsmen-NWDC/355877767779930?sk=wall

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

Nov 15 Sharon Rowley

Sharon Rowley is the November Speaker

I'm fascinated by Tibetan prayer flags, both the wind sending prayers to the heavens and the faith of those who hang them that their prayers will be received.

My prayer flags express a broad range of spiritual messages through the use of my own motifs. Recent work is focused on aging and illness and how we all experience these conditions together as well as on our own. Sheer silk organza, which responds to very subtle air movement, tops some flags allowing the flag to flutter even when hung inside, as well as adding visual complexity. Hand embroidery using hand-dyed threads completes the message on others.

My talk will include work since 2013, sources of inspiration and elements of my process. www.rowleyart.com



Sharon In Bhutan

Sharon Rowley's Fiber Art



Prayer Song 3



Universal Sun



This Heavenly Body--Memory



Jayn's Joy, detail

NWDC welcomes a new board in 2016!

NWDC has done it! We have gotten a board for 2016! We have secured NWDC's 501.C3 status with new people in the four required positions of President, Vice-President, Treasurer, and Secretary.

We have Julia Lowther for President, Lin McJunkin as VP, Mary Hosick as Treasurer, and Liza Halvorsen as Secretary.

Julia, Lin, Mary, & Liza: the whole community breathes a sigh of relief and sends up a collective cheer for your leadership! We welcome your fresh approach.

Continuing on the board are: Exhibition Co-Chairs Gale Lurie and Joyce Hayes, Lin Holley as Education Chair, Volunteer Co-ordinator Patricia Resseguie, Museum Liaison Layne Goldsmith, Julie Conway as Publicity/Social Media Chair, and Eva Funderburgh as Tech Support/ Website Designer. Thank you to each member of this board for generating NWDC from within your position. You brought skill to your own tasks, and an attitude of co-operative problem solving to our meetings.

Not attending board meetings, but playing crucial roles are: Denise Snyder as Newsletter Editor; Trudee Hill, Website; Sharrey Dore, Archivist; Delores Taylor, Roster; CJHurley, Facebook; Nia Michaels and Barbara De Pirro, NWDC Members Facebook Group; and Annette Tamm, e-mail blaster. Thank you for continuing in your roles — you make so much possible and we so appreciate that we can count on you.

Immense gratitude to retiring board members Loren Lukens and Katherine Holzknecht for their stream-lining of the Treasurer's tasks. Their long-term dedication to NWDC as Treasurer and Secretary, respectively, has been extraordinary and done much to insure the organization's survival.

I am so grateful to retiring VP Joan Hammond. How fortunate I was to have Joan as my VP partner! I admired her grace and dignity; I relied on her calm and steady judgement.

Loren Lukens, Katherine Holzknecht, Joan Hammond are retiring from the board, but given their extraordinary commitment to NWDC, I am confident they will remain essential members of the community. Thank you Joan, Loren, and Katherine!

So with this board turn-over, I think NWDC proves its health as an organization. Members do step up. With this change of leadership will come new vision and new opportunities. Much joy and goodwill to the 2016 NWDC Board! Viva NWDC

President's Letter

Retiring President Lois Harbaugh speaks about volunteering:

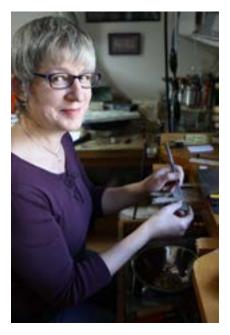
NWDC thrives through the commitment of its volunteers. Thank you! All of you on the board, through your stepping up and your continual attention and intention, have created the environment for NWDC to flourish. This rare and beautiful opportunity for artist/craftsmen to associate with each other and to create opportunities for craft survives. You've created an important context for crafts... no small achievement in this culture. I thank you because, on a personal level, I want the kind of support offered by NWDC to exist in the world. The deep awareness of beauty, the appreciation of skill, the joy of innovation and the recognition of quality — these are all values one finds in NWDC. I am so glad to be part of NWDC. Volunteering to be President of NWDC has been one of my life's finest privileges. Thank you to the NWDC membership for letting me inhabit this role. As I retire, I am so glad the organization continues. Thank you to the other Volunteers! Your service will undoubtedly nurture the community and, in the great paradox of service, also nurture you.

The NWDC 2015 Board Members



From left to right: VP Joan Hammond, Treasurer Loren Lukens, Membership chair (and now 2016 VP) Lin McJunkin, Education Chair Lin Holley, President Lois Harbaugh, Tech Support Eva Funderburgh, Exhibition Co-chair Joyce Hayes, and Secretary Katherine Holzknecht. Social Media and Publicity Chair Julie Conway took the picture and is not shown. Exhibition Chair Gale Lurie and Museum Liaison Layne Goldsmith, and Secretary/Volunteer Chair Patricia Resseguie were absent.

NWDC Welcomes New 2016 Board Members



Julia Lowther pictured here at her work bench will be our new president.

Lin McJunkin is our new vice president, and, presently, membership chair.



Patricia Ressaquie (on left) is presently NWDC secretary and is going to be volunteer co-ordinator. Liza Halvorsen has stepped in as secretary.





Mary Hosick (on left) is NWDC's new treasurer. She toasts Loren Lukens, the retiring treasurer. (Thanks also to Katherine Holzknecht, who teamed with Loren to re-vamp NWDC's bookkeeping.)

Thank you Patricia, Lin, Mary, Loren and Katherine, Lois and Julia! The generosity of those who volunteer make NWDC possible. Your commitment sustains our community. Thank you!

Item 1:

Volunteer!

A Few Hours. Once A Year. Thank You Volunteers.

Deep thanks are due to our volunteers in September through mid-October. Nearly 20% of the membership volunteered in the past six weeks, including Board Members, Committee Chairs and those supporting NWDC's many events and activities. Our goal for the next several months is to get one-third of the membership involved. Your involvement makes a huge difference in feeding fresh ideas and new energy into your organization. NWDC is asking you to volunteer at least a few hours once a year. So keep an eye out for an opportunity that fits your interests and time constraints.

Our thanks to members who volunteered for new jobs that were posted, or participated in presentations, in September and early October: Dan Adams. Robert Beishline, Julie Conway, Joline El-Hai, Jenny Fillius, Lisa Flowers Ross, Diane Gale, Zia Gipson, Don Halvorsen, Liza Halvorsen, Jan Koutsky, Carol Milne, Don Myhre, Natalie Olsen, Kathleen Probst, Julia Rapinoe, Sharon Rowley, Sally Sellers, Teri Jo Summer-Reiger, Cynthia Toops, Stewart Wong and his partner Thom. If you volunteered and you were not mentioned, please contact Volunteer Coordinator Patricia Resseguie at NWDCvolunteers@gmail.com. We want to make sure everyone is recognized. Kudos to our volunteers!

When you next see her, please thank Jenny Fillius for bringing cookies, coffee and water to our monthly meetings. She volunteered in September.



Item 2:

Volunteer Opportunities Available

If are interested in either of the following opportunities, please email NWDCvolunteers@gmail.com. One offers a great way to meet members you may not know. The other offers our members East of the mountains a way to get hands-on involvement in NWDC.

Christmas Party Photographer (1 to 2 volunteers needed): Photograph the NWDC Christmas party (use your phone or camera). Edit and label photos for Website, newsletter and Facebook pages. What a great way to meet people! Date: Saturday, December 13 in Fremont. Duration: 4-5 hours.

Installation Assistant, Allied Arts Exhibition, Richland, WA (1 to 2 volunteers needed): Assist checking in and installing work on Monday, August 29, 2016. Show opens Tuesday, August 30. Help take down the show and pack work on Saturday, October 1. Volunteer for one or both dates. Date: August 29 and/or October 1, 2016. Duration: 6-8 hours each day.

Opening Reception for NWDC at South Lake Union

Not a Potluck!

The reception is being catered, courtesy of South Lake Union!

Tuesday, November 3, 4:00-6:00

UW Medical Buildings at 850 Republican St.

Please come mingle with each other and the SLU scientists. See how well the NWDC emphasis on materials, process, and structure suits the setting.

Directions for getting to and around the UW Medical Research Campus

An easy way to get to the UW Medical Buildings at South Lake Union is to take the Mercer exit from I-5. On Mercer, at Westlake, there is a left turn lane with a light. Go left on Westlake. In a block, take a right onto Republican. Go a block and you'll see the UW Medical Buildings on your right between 8th & 9th at 850 Republican.

You can park on the street or park in the underground parking labeled "850."

Our work is located in Building E, C & D. The buildings are loosely tangential to each other around a courtyard. If you park in the underground parking at 850 Republican and take the elevator up to the lobby level, you will be in building C. You'll see a reception desk, where you can register as a visitor. You'll also see a lot of seating for a lobby cafe — we will most likely have our reception in this area.

All of the NWDC work is displayed on the lobby level of these three buildings. Two of the buildings are open to the public — you go to the desk and sign in as a visitor. The Brotman building requires a pass card or an escort. You can explain to the registration desk that you would like to go in to see artwork. During the reception, you will be able to go in for sure.

The campus is open weekdays between 7:30 am and 5:30 pm. They are not open on weekends.





NWDC Artwork at South Lake Union Campus











Above is some of the artwork showing at the SLU campus by artists (clockwise from top) Julia Haack, Dick Weiss, Paddy McNeely, Annette Tamm, Terri Jo Summer-Reiger, Kevin Blackburn and Lanny Bergner.



Cynthia Toops



Cynthia Toops was our presenter during the October meeting. She put on such an interesting show and brought so many of her associates with her that we thought that they deserved some billing. Here she is along with her collaborators, teachers and the artwork that helped to make this presentation so wonderful.



(left to right) Chuck Domitrovich, Nancy Bonnema, Cynthia Toops, Dan Adams, (unknown name at time of press), Virginia Causey, and (unknown name at time of press).



Cynthia with her husband, collaborator, and fellow NWDC member Dan Adams.



It's a Party!

Save the date for the 2015 NWDC Potluck Holiday Party!

Sunday, Dec 13, 2015, 4:00-8:00.

Hosted by Dick Weiss and Lynn DiNino! 811 N. 36th St. (entrance at back door) Fremont neighborhood across from The Troll



Dick Weiss' colorful and art filled home.

Note from the Editor

Lois Harbaugh admitted to me once that NWDC parties are a lot of fun! Something to keep in mind if you need to have more fun. Denise Snyder

New Membership

New Membership Application Process:

NWDC new member applications were accepted on our website through Oct 25. As always, we have encouraged professional artists to apply.

The next step is your chance to vote on these applicants to choose which artists will be accepted into our organization. Watch for an email blast at the end of October with info on how to vote online using our Dropbox and Survey Monkey sites. Voting will occur throughout the month of November.

A big Thank You to the 5 members who volunteered to help with every step of our application process: Zia Gipson, Sally Sellers, Diane Gale, Rob Beishline, and Lois James. And a HUGE thank you to our new volunteer coordinator, Patricia Ressigue, for rounding them up for us! Her new position is really helping us run this organization more efficiently and equitably. - Lin McJunkin, Volunteer Membership Chair

Member News

Marguerite Goff and Patricia Resseguie are showing work in *Between – A Shared Experience*, a group exhibition of 10 artists associated with Camano Island. *Between – A Shared Experience* opens Friday, Nov 6 at Scott Milo Gallery in Anacortes. The exhibition explores the artistic links between process and imagination, between daily living and creating art, between love and loss, between art and community. The show is a result of eight years of continuing conversations, great meals, and laughter between the 10 artists as they supported one another and forged powerful bonds that have inspired stronger work by each.



Marguerite Goff, *Night Forest* Raku Pot

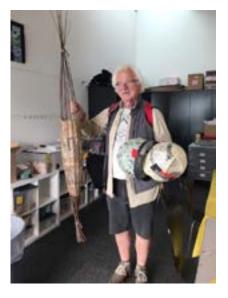


Patricia Resseguie, *Life Goes On Series*, *Stanza 603*

Member News

Photos from the Paper Vessel and Twinned Tall Basket Workshop held at the Bellevue Art Museum on September 26-27 taught by Danielle Bodine. It was such a lively, creative group of artists... great energy and wonderful art work. Several NWDC members were in the class which was sponsored by NWDC.













Member News

Lin McJunkin has added a delightful pair of collaborators to her current process: Seattle painter Ann Vandervelde and poet Anne McDuffie. Lin and her metal sculptor/collaborator Milo White are now showing a dozen of their newer works with Ann and Anne at Karla Matzke's gallery this month on Camano Island, WA. They continue to show their larger work in her wonderful sculpture park, adjacent to the gallery. www.matzkefineart.com

Through Nov. 8.



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.

Starting September 15, 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!

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

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

Page 17

November 2015

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

President - Lois Harbaugh - Lois.harbaugh@gmail.com 425-454-0098

Vice President - Joan Hammond - joan@haysys.com 425-391- 5045

Secretary - Patricia Resseguie - fibergal2@me.com

NWDC VOLUNTEERS

Treasurers - Loren Lukens - loren.d.lukens@gmail.com 206-935-6740 Katherine Holznecht - khartiste@hotmail.com 425-481-7788

Archivist - Sharrey Dore

Education - Lin Holley - lin@palmstogether.net 206-322-7593 Education Support - Steph Mader steph@toltriverstudios.com Museum Liaison - Layne Goldsmith

Tech Support - Eva Funderburgh - Bellevue Arts Museum lecture and workshop series

Exhibition Committee

Gale Lurie

Joyce Hayes - hayes.joyce@gmail.com, 206-522-6965

Hospitality - VACANT

Hospitality For the large parties: VACANT

Membership - Lin McJunkin lin@mcjunkinglass.com 360-941-6742

E-Mail Blasts - Annette Tamm a.tamm@frontier.com 360-299-0323

Newsletter - Denise Snyder NWDCeditor@gmail.com

Publicity - VACANT

Roster / Data Base - Delores Taylor - delorestaylor@mac.com 425-788-0817

Social Media - CJ Hurley - cj@cjhurley.com and Julie Conway info@illuminataglass.com

Volunteer Coordinator - Patricia Resseguie - NWDCvolunteers@gmail.com 425-232-2483

Web Liaison - Trudee Hill - trudee@trudeehill.com 310-908-6675

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