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Member Newsletter

Northwest Designer Craftsmen Newsletter

June 2022

Remember if you have **member news to submit for the September newsletter the deadline is August 15th**. Please send information in the body of an email (not a pdf or postcard image) to **Daniel** at NWDCeditor@gmail.com. Images need to be in a **jpg format around 600 pixels** on the longest side. Please include titles and media for artworks.

Deadlines

Fantasy Footwear exhibition deadline June 30

President's Note

Today, June 1st, NWDC's new half-time Executive Director, **Daniel Wallace**, joins the leadership of our great organization. Together with the Board, Daniel will work to build on NWDC's many treasures. The Board is delighted with Daniel's enthusiasm and extensive experience. Our future is secure with a dedicated leader who is invested with time to create a whole new exciting reality for NWDC. Please see the Daniel's note to the membership in the Announcement Section below.

Daniel's first weeks will be focused on getting to know NWDC, contributing to upcoming events and working with the Board to design and launch a fund-raising campaign to support both his position and new mission driven programming for our membership and audiences. Please join us at the upcoming Summer Social on July 17th to welcome Daniel in an informal environment where we can get to know each other. I know that Daniel will appreciate meeting you and to learn more about our unique perspectives on NWDC's value.

With this June 1st newsletter we begin the annual summer newsletter hiatus. From this date through August all communications will be sent via e-blasts. Daniel Wallace will take up the responsibility for publishing the newsletter beginning with the September 2022 edition. You will still be able to send your articles via the nwdceditor@gmail.com address.

Your membership is what makes NWDC the premier fine craft membership organization in our region. With several special events this summer we will be able to socialize again while enjoying enriching art programs. (Each event is noted in this newsletter.) I look forward to seeing many of you join us as we introduce Daniel and take the initial steps to launch a new era of NWDC.

Meetings

NWDC Board Meetings second Tuesday of each month from 5:30 to 7 pm. Contact President Nancy Loorem Adams at nwdcpresident@gmail.com with topics you would like the Board to consider.

Exhibitions



Dona Anderson

FANTASY FOOTWEAR

The Shoe Reimagined

NWDC 2022 Show—celebrating the shoe!

The path is set for a fantastic NWDC show in 2022—in person at the Clarke and Clarke, Art + Artifact gallery in Mercer Island. Ginny and Jim Clarke are honorary members of NWDC. The show runs from August 6th through September 30th with an opening reception on August 6th. Use your imagination to create footwear in your favored media in a format no larger than 10 by 10” 2D or 10 by 10 by 10” 3D. The show will also be kicked off virtually on the NWDC website in the same format as the NWCraft shows.

Make a trail in the gallery’s neighborhood where six restaurants, a wine bar, and Island Treats are nearby. There will be ample opportunity to leave your footprint in the art world on this fun and fantastical event.

The Clarke Gallery has an extensive network, drawing attention from designers and art aficionados. They maintain an online shop and former locations in Scottsdale and Santa Fe. Prospectus available on the website: <https://www.nwdesignercraftsmen.org/members-access>
Applications accepted until June 30th.



Announcements

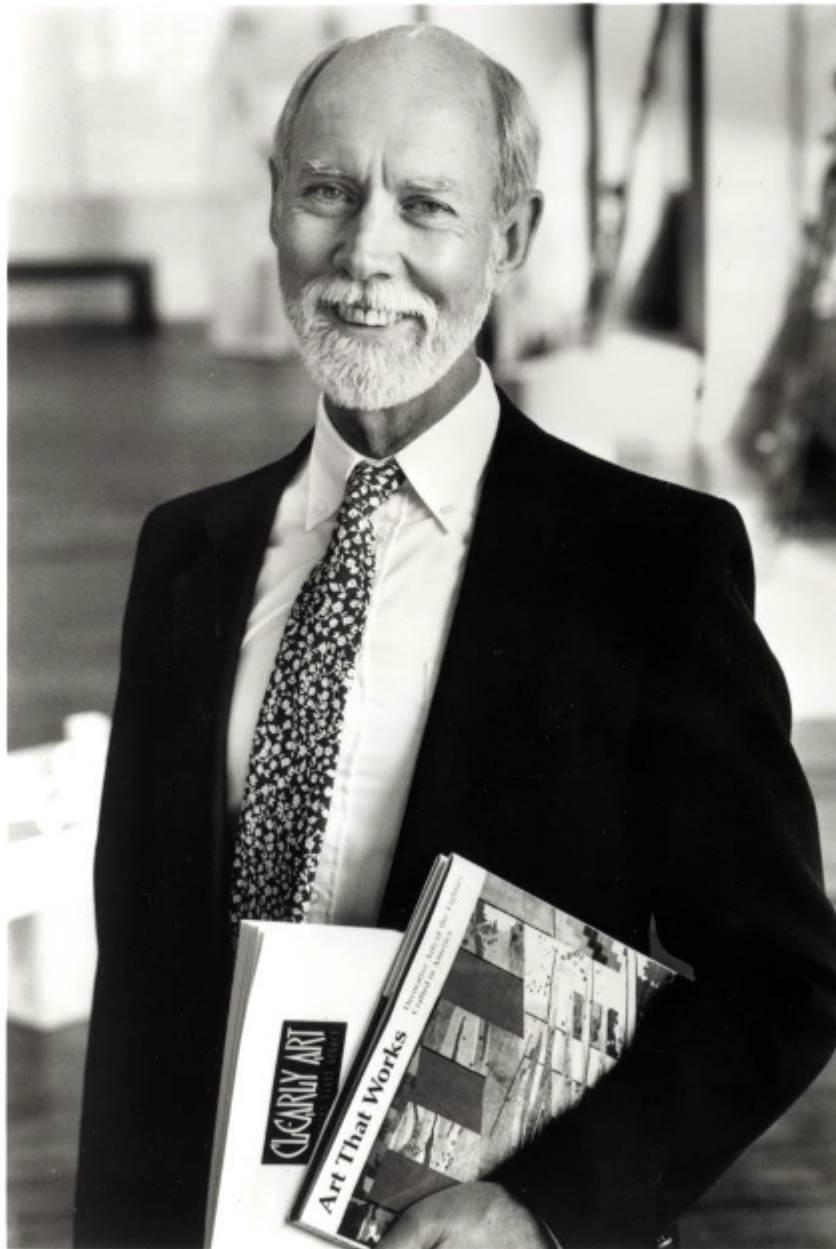
Daniel Wallace NWDC Half Time Executive Director



I am thrilled to be joining the NWDC as *Half-Time Executive Director*. I am honored to be joining the creative community here, becoming a resource for all our members, and expanding the reach of the NWDC.

I studied Fine Art at The Baltimore School for the Arts, The Maryland Institute College of Art, and The Glasgow School of Art. I founded two Art Galleries; Extra Extra (an artist-run gallery, works-on-paper archive, and online exhibition platform based in Philadelphia) and American Medium (a contemporary art gallery focused on artists embracing new technologies in New York City). I have developed installations and public programs with The New Museum, MoMA PS1, The Friends of the Highline, The Walters Art Museum, The Maryland Historical Society, ICA Philadelphia, The BMA, Philadelphia City Hall, The Venice Biennale, Kunstverein für die Rheinlande und Westfalen, and The National Arts Festival of South Africa. My work as a curator has been featured in the New York Times, Artforum, Art In America, and The Wall Street Journal among others.

In addition to my work with the NWDC, I work with Howl Arts, a non-profit gallery and archive dedicated to preserving the Arts of Lower East Side Manhattan. I continue to develop independent curatorial programs and maintain a personal practice as a ceramic artist and illustrator. I live just south of Portland Oregon with my husband, Josh, my Indian pariah dog Banga, and my orange tabby cat, Muscles. I look forward to joining the NWDC, meeting all our talented members, and seeing all the amazing work you do!



You are Invited to a Video Premiere

Northwest Designer Craftsmen invites you to come and enjoy a “live” World Premiere of the newest video documentary in the Living Treasures series

Lloyd Herman, The Accidental Curator

Sunday, JUNE 26, 2022

Broadway Performance Hall

1625 Broadway Street, Seattle 98122

Pay parking available behind the theater, but please read our note below regarding another celebration happening at the same time, so parking might be a challenge.

2:00 pm Reception, complimentary hors d'oeuvres & no-host bar

3:00 pm Documentary Premiere

4:00 pm Talk-back with Lloyd and the producers from Fidget TV.

“A Few Words of Caution”

We will not be the only ones celebrating that Sunday. Seattle’s Capitol Hill Gay Pride Festival is happening that same weekend...on Broadway Avenue right in front of the Broadway Performance Hall. We encourage you to carpool, or take public transportation to the premiere.

Also, while Covid is somewhat less threatening, we also ask you, if possible, to take a Covid home test before you leave. We also encourage attendees to wear a mask during the video presentation.





Clockwise from upper left:

Lynn, Drill, Fish

Ice Queens Fremont Parade 2011

Figure Heads Roll, Downtown Tacoma 2008

Chaos into Order, 2007

NWDC Zoom Artist Talk with Lynn Di Nino

Saturday June 18th from 3 to 4:15 pm

Beyond 3D into Performance Art

Hello fellow artists, when I moved to Tacoma in 2001 I looked around wondering, "where are the artists?" They didn't appear to be congregating anywhere and I was lonesome. I applied for a grant to host 6 outdoor themed parties and invited 'everyone' through the Tacoma Arts Commission listserv. At the first event I hired a photographer to take single posed photos of each new friend. At the next meeting we laminated those into 'bonafide artist' cards.

I hired a string quartet, drag queens, someone to show outdoor films, break dancing and more. By the final event I'd interacted with scores of local artists.

I didn't stop there. If you tune in to my show on June 18th you'll see and hear how we all worked together to create a solid art community AND performance art pieces for Tacoma audiences.

You can learn more about Lynn and her work here: <https://lynndinino.com>

Topic: Lynn Di Nino Artist Talk

Time: Jun 18, 2022 03:00 PM Pacific Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82349082553?pwd=Q01nRkhTdnFaeDc2L0sxWDcva3BMZz09>

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Find your local number: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/kzNB2abT6>



NWDC Summer Social Sunday July 17th Noon – 4 pm

Newport Shores Bellevue

SAVE THE DATE!

It's time to **safely** socialize out of doors with a pot-luck celebration at the beautiful

Lake Washington home of Cheri Hill

We are looking forward to meeting new members, reconnecting with continuing members and honoring new Life-Time Members Ron Pascho 2021, and Gretchen Echols 2022. We will introduce Daniel Wallace, NWDC's half-time Executive Director too! Come join the fun and welcome Daniel too.

Calendar of Events

Lynn DiNino Zoom Artist Talk : Saturday June 18, 2022 from 3 to 4:15 pm

June 26th Lloyd Herman Accidental Curator World Premier Broadway Performance Hall Capitol Hill Seattle

July 17th NWDC Summer Social Newport Shores Bellevue private home

Fantasy Footwear Exhibition The Shoe Reimagined Clarke & Clarke Art+Artifacts Gallery Mercer

Island opening reception, August, 6th, 2022

Lanny Bergner Zoom Artist Talk- Fall, 2022

Member News

Lanny Bergner at The Smithsonian





Polly Adams Sutton

NWDC members Polly Adams Sutton, Nancy Worden (dec) and Honorary Member Preston Singletary are featured artists in the Smithsonian American Art Museum Renwick Gallery Presentation:

This Present Moment: Crafting a Better World

May 13, 2022 – April 2, 2023

This Present Moment: Crafting a Better World showcases the dynamic landscape of American craft today. The exhibition highlights the role that artists play in our world to spark essential conversations, stories of resilience, and methods of activism—showing us a more relational empathic world. It centers more expansive definitions and acknowledgements of often-overlooked histories and contributions of women, people of color and other marginalized communities.

FREE VIRTUAL STUDIO TOUR WITH ARTIST PRESTON SINGLETARY



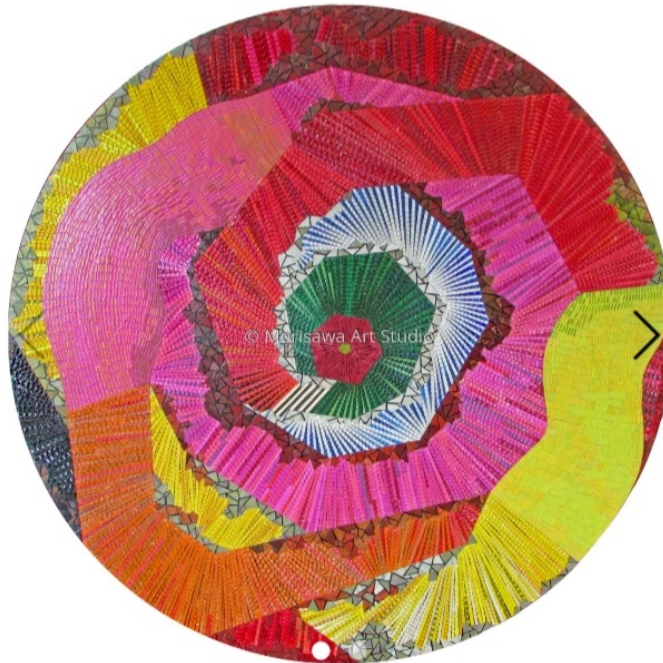
Join Preston Singletary, one of the artists featured in This Present Moment Crafting a Better World, for a behind-the-scenes look at his studio. See how he uses unconventional materials and traditional Tlingit designs to combat prescriptive assumptions about Native art and artists. In this program, Singletary will take the audience on a studio tour, during which he will answer participant questions about his work and artistic process.

<http://americanart.si.edu/exhibitions/this-present-moment>

Naoko Morisawa William Traver Solo Exhibition



Target Forever XI - R2



Target Forever XII - R3

Target Forever XI- Round 2, 2022

36-inch Dia, Hand-crafted wood and paper mosaic painting.

Naoko's solo exhibition at the Seattle Traver Gallery [Happy Dreamer] is confirmed. Art images (13-15 works) are in the process of being arranged on the gallery site.

July 21-24 continuing to the Seattle Art Fair 2022 - invited by Traver Gallery director.

Naoko Morrisawa Traffic Boxes Project for the City of Des Moines

Naoko has designed the traffic box for the City of Des Moines.

The trio will be placed at the northeast corner of South Kent-Des Moines Road and Pacific Highway during this summer.

<https://nwasianweekly.com/2022/05/morisawa-designed-new-traffic-boxes/>

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Blossom Stiletto

Stoneware paper clay, celadon, gold luster

2022

Nancy Loorem Adams

Schack Art Center

Everett, Washington

Presents:

[Art of the Garden](#)

June 23 – August 27

Main Gallery

Stop and smell the roses in our Art of the Garden Exhibition featuring nearly 300 pieces by over 100 PNW artists! From acrylics to sculptures and everything in between, this exhibition is sure to delight any nature or garden lover. No green thumb necessary!

Our Gallery Store will also be overflowing with unique gifts, adding whimsy and character to your favorite flower patch!

Free Admission.

Kelly Lyles News



The Fremont Fair is back (after 2 year hiatus)! I'll be there with the Artcars, with a booth of my paintings next to my EXCESSORIES ODD-YSSEY (we're parked at the Upper Burke Lot, off of 35th Ave N & Evanston). We're on display Saturday and Sunday June 18th & 19th, these crazy vehicles (look at Jeff Daly's amazing train car coming from Astoria) come from all over the USA for 3 days of dinner parties, fun & tours of Seattle. Incidentally, while the fair/artcar show is free, of course, we pay their gas, house, feed and entertain the cartists, so any financial donors are invited to join in any/all festivities offsite. Join us?

A large group show I've curated LIKE MOTHER (Like Daughter) is opening in a new incarnation (this is our 9th venue touring WA) at the WHITE RIVER VALLEY MUSEUM in Auburn, WA. Our show runs June 27th-December 31st, 2022, with some 'rock-stars' of the WA art scene telling moving stories (in art & their accompanying statements) about our mothers.





MARY QUEEN OF SCOTTS

Acrylic on Illustration Board, Found Objects 32" x 25" x 2" 2022 \$800

I have 4 artworks in "TIME TRAVEL, Past, Present & Future" is another group exhibit for ERA facilities, this one's at IDA CULVER BROADVIEW (125th & Greenwood in North Seattle), Ditto on the "no reception" but public should be allowed in February 20th-June 18th. Here's installation video of the entire show :

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1H_QuBjYzUaqTy3gYIVqR7cstQZFjxfil/view



JULIET Red Conte on Paper, 16" x 20" \$150

LIKE MOTHER, LIKE DAUGHTER (group show I curated, 32 multi-cultural multi-dimensional artists making art & telling stories about our moms) is still at UNIVERSITY HOUSE in Wallingford on 44th & Stoneway, until June 12th, the building can be accessed 7 days a week. There is a larger "mother" themed show simultaneous to complement LIKE MOTHER.



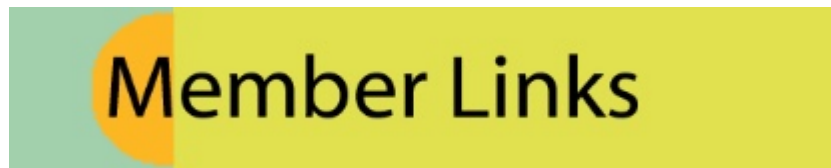
My/Our Croatia art tour is on: Oct 9-19th, through WTE-USA. Yippee, haven't been out of the country in 3 years, can't wait! For more information contact Jitka Wong at WTE-USA (though don't think ours is up on the website yet, itinerary just came through this week):
<https://wte-usa.com/>

And if you just want some non-commercial pure entertainment (& wonder), my buddy Harrod Blank's full length film about we artcar drivers is now on YouTube (free). My own Leopard Bernstein & I are in 3 short clips. Here's the link: <https://youtu.be/lyhgsGQSQOO>



Thanking Volunteers Peter Olsen, Claire B. Jones and Katherine Lewis for their participation on the interview team for the NWDC Executive Director position with

President Nancy Loorem Adams. Their special care and interest in this important decision-making process was thankfully received.



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This page is set-up so that each member can post directly themselves. An excellent way to reach out to members about exhibitions, workshops, call to artists, resources, questions, etc.

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