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The Newsletter of Sacramento Potters Group: Art By Fire

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❖ ❖ ❖ A Message from the President ❖ ❖ ❖

Fall is in the air and you can see it in the trees. Our Fall Show is only four weeks away: October 29th. I'm personally doing all I can to get ready. We are advertising for this show like never before. All ads are set up, proofed and paid for in: Sacramento Bee, Sacramento Magazine, and Sacramento News & Review (SNR); Last two ads set up and proofed in East Sac Newspaper, Land Park Newspaper including Valley Community Newspapers. Our Publicity Coordinator, Ruth Fricker, completed all this work with help from your elected board of directors.

Nowadays, the Sacramento Potters Group: Art by Fire board of directors use e-mails to chat, and determine answers to questions and coordination of our events. This system works great, and so we don't have to spend too much time on details during our general meetings.

This allows us more time to talk about our lives as artists during our general meetings.

Our next general meeting is Wednesday October 12, 2016 at Shepard Garden & Arts

Center 7:00 PM. At this meeting we will go over the last details of this year. We will confirm all the details for our Fall Show and our last general meeting of the year on December 14th. As you must know that meeting is a Christmas potluck with a gift exchange. It's a great time every year. If you only make one general meeting a year this is the one to attend.

So look around and see the colors of our trees change from green to red. Take time to attend our next general meeting and I'll plan to see you at the fall show.

Mark Pratton

President Sacramento Potters Group: Art by Fire



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Next General Meeting:

Weds, October 12, 2016
7:00 PM

Shepard Garden & Arts
Center

3330 McKinley Blvd.
Sacramento, CA

From the East take Capitol City Freeway and exit at E St. Turn left onto E St. which becomes McKinley Blvd. on the other side of the freeway. Turn right at 33rd St. SGAC is on the corner across from the tennis courts. From the South, exit Capitol City Freeway toward Reno. Exit at H St. Turn right on H St. Turn left on 33rd St. Turn Right on Park Way. Please be sure to park in the designated parking areas in the lot or park on the street.

Calendar

• **Weds., October 12, 2016**
SPG: AbF General Mtg 7:00 PM
Shepard Garden & Arts Center

• **Sat., October 29, 2016**
SPG: AbF Holiday Show and Sale
Shepard Garden & Arts Center

• **Weds., Dec. 14, 2016**
SPG: AbF General Mtg/Holiday
Potluck 7:00 PM Location TBA

• **Sat., January 14, 2017**
SPG: AbF Annual Seconds Sale
Shepard Garden & Arts Center

• **Weds., February 8, 2017**
SPG: AbF General Mtg 7:00 PM
Location: TBD

• **Weds., April 12, 2017**
SPG: AbF General Mtg 7:00 PM
Location: TBD

• **Weds., June 14, 2017**
SPG: AbF General Mtg 7:00 PM
Location: TBD

• **Weds., August 9, 2017**
SPG: AbF General Mtg 7:00 PM
Location: TBD

• **Weds., October 11, 2017**
SPG: AbF General Mtg 7:00 PM
Location TBD

Deadline for submission of news, articles or classifieds is the 20th of January, March, May, July, September and November. All members are encouraged to submit articles and photos for consideration.

Artist Profiles/Member News - Please send info and photos (jpegs or TIFFs under 5 MB) to: rockyraku@yahoo.com or mail them (with a self-addressed envelope) to: Laurie Kneppel 6 El Morro Ct. Sacto. CA 95831 **EDITOR'S NOTE: The next issue will be November/December with a deadline of November 20th for submissions. Keep in mind that we can get your information out in between newsletters via email!**

Sacramento Potters Group: Art by Fire (ABF) Board and General Membership Meeting August 10, 2016, Location: Mark Pratton House, Elk Grove, CA

Meeting started at 7:45 with 11 people

OLD BUSINESS (Board email discussions and/or decisions since the last meeting)

See the June meeting minutes on page 3.

NEW BUSINESS

President's Report:

- Looking for a new Secretary. Sonya said she might be able to be Secretary for some meetings, but would need someone to fill in occasionally. Ruth agreed to ask Mary Lou if she would take notes when Sonya cannot attend. Kanika agreed to create 2017 draft meeting minute outlines for the new Secretary, as December 2016 will be Kanika's last meeting as Secretary.

- Mark wants to continue making the group easier.

Membership and Newsletter Reports (Laurie K):

- There are about 51 paid members as of August 10, 2016.
- Laurie distributed the July/August newsletter. on July 30, 2016.

Treasurer's Report (Debbie Moore-Yip):

- Ending balance = \$7130.11. Since Mark feels the balance should remain under \$5,000, there may be around \$2,000 that may be used for advertising and other show costs.
- How long should the Treasurer keep receipts? Debbie said El Dorado Savings Bank indicated ours is not an interest bearing account; the group agreed that we don't need to keep multiple years of receipts.
- Mabel said SPG: AbF has already paid SGAC dues.
- Kanika brought Debbie several more membership and October show checks.

Publicity Report (Ruth):

- Ruth will investigate prices for advertising the October Show with the Sacramento Bee, News and Review. Sharon B will check out prices/info for Inside East Sacramento.
- Several people felt we should also check out the deadlines for advertising in the Elk Grove Citizen, Sacramento Magazine calendar and Sunset Magazine calendar).
- Laurie suggested that we include participating artist names on the postcards. The group agreed that for future applications, if applications are received by a specified date, the participant's names would be included on the postcard.

SGAC Liaison (Sharon B):

- Sharon discussed the SGAC's new fee structure and the group attempted to calculate how much we would be charged if we have:

- Booth setup from 1 to 6 PM on Friday (\$50?)
- Setup from 7 to 9:30 AM on Saturday (\$50 or \$75?)
- 10 to 4 PM for the show with one hour breakdown 4 to 5 PM (\$200 for 7 hours)
- And one additional hour to breakdown from 5 to 6 PM (\$25).

- Sharon B will confirm with SGAC what the total cost will be and the Secretary will followup with a letter to SGAC itemizing the costs for the above time periods; this would ensure that there are no discrepancies on the SGAC bill .

- SGAC October 1-2 show: Sandy volunteered to represent SPG: AbF with an inside booth, but Connie also usually likes

to do the show but with an outdoor booth. In the absence of both of them, the group flipped a coin with tails (outdoor booth) winning. However, the next day, Connie indicated she could not do this show. Sandy will represent SPG:AbF on October 1-2 and may apply for an indoor booth, if she wishes.

October Show Report (Sharon Bellomo):

- Postcards for October Show: Laurie will finalize postcards (after Mark emails her a photo of him throwing a large pot); Laurie will upload the digital postcard to Vistaprint and have postcards mailed to Sharon B.
- Mark and Sonya will do demos at the show. Mark would like his booth near the outside gate.
- 11 applications have been received as of August 10th (Sonya brought in her check at the meeting).
- Sandwich signs are in Sharon B's garage and may be used at the October 1-2 and October 29th shows.

Webmaster Report (Sandy F):

- Sandy wasn't present, but webhost, Dwight Finger, emailed that he had moved the artbyfire.org site to a new server. This is an upgrade, as we are now on a Virtual Private Server rather than the shared server we had been using. Response time will be faster and security will be better.
- John Hunter needs to contact Sandy to ensure his name is on the website, since he is a member.

Field Trips Report (Ruth):

- Ideas are pending.

Other: Should the SPG:AbF Logo be revised again?

Some members would like the hand to be more realistic, instead of the current stylized version. Laurie explained how difficult it would be to modify it since the hand and text are vector-based, not simply layers. The group agreed to leave the logo as is for the time being because someone would have to completely rework it and ensure the logo is changed on the website, Facebook Page, all flyers and all publicity.

Meeting adjourned at: 9:00 PM

CALLS TO ARTISTS, CRAFT FAIRS, WORKSHOPS, etc.

Deadline November 1st - Creative Connections Arts Academy Holiday Craft Fair, Nov. 5th. 9AM-4PM - North Highlands, CA

Fundraiser to send students on 2017 East Coast Field Trip. For info go to <http://www.ccaacraftfair.com> CCAA CRAFT FAIR 6444 Walerga Road North Highlands CA 95660 Phone: 916-566-3470 email: ccaacraftfair@yahoo.com

Deadline November 9th - Crocker Kingsley Competition.

Blue Line Arts 405 Vernon St. Roseville, CA 95678. Phone 916-783-4117. Show runs January 13, 2017 - February 25, 2017. For more info or to apply go to <http://www.bluelinearts.org> or email info@bluelinearts.org

Leslie Ceramics/Aftosa in Richmond Fall Workshops

Leslie Ceramics has a number of Fall Workshops coming up. For info go to <http://www.aftosa.com/workshops/> or email: leslieceramics@gmail.com

Marin Workshops for teachers and non-teachers. At Redwood High School, in Larkspur, CA. For info on the classes and to register visit: <http://marinart-teachers.weebly.com/new-workshops.html>

CLASSIFIEDS, JOBS

KILN for SALE! 32 cubic foot, made by West Coast kilns. This is up draft, 12, 75000 BTU burners. Only been fired about 15 times to 06 and 6 total. Comes with hood and electronic pyrometer. 9 inch walls, 7 inches of insulated fire brick with 1 inch of inch of a fiber board. 48x24 by 42 + in height. \$5000, paid over \$12000. This kiln needs a home it hasn't been fired in 10 years but is like brand new. Call or email for details. 541-390-4323, Peter Rousel

JOB OPENING! ClayPeople in Richmond, CA is looking for a full or part-time ClayPerson. Must have extensive experience working with clay and be able to lift 50 lbs., work with customers, answer phones, pull and ship UPS orders, etc. Starts at \$15/hour with medical and dental and many more benefits. For info or to send in your resumé please contact people@claypeople.net or drop by the store at 623 South 32nd St, Richmond, CA 94801

SPG Art By Fire Seconds Sale

Shepard Garden and Art Center
East Sacramento, 3330 McKinley

January 14, 2017

10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Rain or Shine!

Please complete the following information and send to address below:

1. a check made payable to: SPG Art by Fire
2. a printed copy of application (completely filled out)
3. a printed and signed copy of the Articles of Attention for SGAAc
(both the application and the Articles must be signed)

****Completed applications must be recieved by November 30th 2016****

Name _____

Mailing Address _____

City _____ **State** _____ **Zip** _____

Phone# _____ **Use same # day of show?** _____

E Mail Address _____

Web Site _____

Resale# (tax id#) _____

Art Medium _____ **Price range** _____

Description of work _____

of post cards _____ **Table(s):Yes (1)_____ or (2)_____ I will provide my own** _____

COST: \$70 and it includes 2017 membership dues. Checks payable to: SPG Art by Fire

***If you were in previous show and would like us to consider you for the space you had in that show, please indicate the space # and mail your application by the cutoff date.

I, the undersigned, hereby agree and shall defend, indemnify and hold harmless The Shepard Garden and Arts Center, The City of Sacramento, and Northern California Art by Fire, and/or their officers, agents, employees, or volunteers, from any liability for damage or claims of damage of property and/or personal injury, including death, which may arise from or be in any way connected with my participation in the Northern California Art by Fire Group Show

Signature _____ **Date** _____

Send to: SPG Art By Fire Application 1/2017
PO Box 580395
Elk Grove CA 95758

Questions?: Sharon Bellomo rivercycle@sbcglobal.net or 916 501 7805

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P.O. Box 580395
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MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Membership in SPG: Art by Fire is from January 1 through December 31. Dues are not pro-rated for a partial year membership. It is open to all clay, metal and hot-glass workers, no commercial slip-cast made ceramics. To be included on the printed roster please send in your membership form and money by March 15th. To become a member and to be listed on the SPG: Art by Fire Web site, please complete, make your \$25.00 check payable to SPG: Art by Fire and mail to: **SPG: Art by Fire, P.O. Box 580395 Elk Grove, CA 95758**

NAME _____

My information has NOT changed since last year (you do not need to fill out the rest of the form)

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

TELEPHONE _____ E-MAIL _____

(CHANGE OF ADDRESS?) _____ yes

WEB SITE ADDRESS _____ MEDIUM _____

RESALE # (if you are going to do a SPG:Art by Fire show) _____

DO YOU WANT TO BE LISTED ON THE SPG:AbF WEB SITE (IT IS FREE) ___(YES) ___(NO)

If you want a picture added, please send it in jpeg format to Sandy Feder at sandy_feder@hotmail.com

I WOULD PREFER THE NEWSLETTER TO BE DELIVERED BY: _____MAIL, or _____EMAIL, or _____BOTH

About SPG: Art by Fire/Sacramento Potters Group

The SPG was founded in 1976 by a group of like-minded potters and clay artists as a means to get together and share ideas, stories and techniques and just plain socialize with other "clay people".

Membership is open to artists who create their work by fire. We have clay, glass and metal artists as members. The only restriction is that we do not

allow "paint your own pottery" in the group. Sorry! But there are other groups for that! SPG started out as a group of potters but quickly grew to include clay sculptors as well as glass and metal artists. **Shows** - SPG currently sponsors two members' shows per year - the Seconds Sale which is every January on the second Saturday, and the June Show and Sale which takes place on the third Saturday in June. This year we are happy to announce the addition of a third members' show on October 31st.