

# Clay Notes

## January 2015

*Clay Notes*, the monthly *Triangle Potters Guild* newsletter, and the TPG membership forms are available on our website at [www.trianglepotters.org](http://www.trianglepotters.org).

Submissions to Clay Notes:  
[trianglepottersguild@yahoo.com](mailto:trianglepottersguild@yahoo.com)  
by the 15th of each month.

**Our monthly meetings** are held on the first Tuesday of each month (no meetings June, July, and August) at 7:00 pm.

## 2014–15 TPG Board

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## Next TPG Business Meeting

**Date:** January 6, 2015

**Location:** NCSU Crafts Center, 100 Jensen Dr., Raleigh

**Time:** 7:00 pm

*Parking is available in the parking deck directly across from the Crafts Center entrance. You may be ticketed or towed if you park on the street—this is student parking only.*

## January Program:

*Submitted by Linda Lambertson, Vice President  
No official meeting in December.*

Rachel Smith has been buying, collecting, and using pottery since 1974. Her house is filled with her finds from her travels and avid attendance at craft shows.

A few years Rachel decided to learn how to build this art form that she loves and has taken classes at AB Tech, Odyssey Center and Village Potters. She joined Squeaky Wheel in the fall of 2011 and can typically found there during the weekends. Her style is currently focusing on hand-built slab pieces and her pride is some boxes with lids made with hard slab. She makes other functional pieces such as plates, trays, bowls, vases, and various holders. She likes to work with various textures on her clay.



## Minutes from December 2014

*Recorded Donna Horton*

Triangle Potter's Guild – October General Membership Meeting Minutes

NC State Craft Center

December , 2014

No meeting in December 2014

## Member News

**From Tracy Dreyer**

At the Pullen Pottery

### **A Balance of Ornament and Utility with A. Blair Clemo Saturday, February 7<sup>th</sup> Demonstration 9am – 4pm Pullen Members \$85, Raleigh residents \$95 non-residents \$110**

Join us for a full day of demonstrations as we welcome potter, A. Blair Clemo to the Pullen Arts Center on Saturday, February 7<sup>th</sup>. Blair will be demonstrating the techniques he has mastered to create his ornamental yet functional pottery. His work is made from both wheel-thrown and press molded pieces combined into utilitarian forms. Each piece is a balance between ornament and utility or as he puts it, "sincerity and irony." They are sincere in their careful craft and potential for use; yet their assertion of material value and wealth is as transitory and uncertain as our own status in an unsteady world.

Blair is a potter and Assistant Professor of Craft and Material Studies at Virginia Commonwealth University in Richmond, Virginia. He received his MFA in Ceramics at the New York State College of Ceramics, Alfred University in 2010. Originally from Doylestown, Pennsylvania, Blair spent many years out west studying ceramics and working at small production potteries in Idaho and Montana. He has been an Artist in Residence at The Northern Clay Center in Minneapolis, MN, the Da Wang Culture Highland in Shenzhen, China, the Zentrum für Keramik in Berlin, Germany and The International Ceramics Studio in Kecskemet, Hungary. His utilitarian pottery and installation work have been included in numerous national and international exhibitions.



**From Theresa Glisson**

Send in your Bio and Pics for the TPG Web Site to:

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## **Special Requests**

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## **Other News**

## **Links**

### **The Crafts Center**

[www.ncsu.edu/crafts](http://www.ncsu.edu/crafts)

919-515-2457

### **Sertoma Arts Center**

[www.raleighnc.gov](http://www.raleighnc.gov)

919-996-2329

### **Pullen Arts Center**

[www.raleighnc.gov](http://www.raleighnc.gov)

919-831-6126

### **Central Carolina**

### **Community College**

[www.cccc.edu](http://www.cccc.edu)

### **Finch Pottery**

[www.danfinch.com](http://www.danfinch.com)

252-235-4664

### **Litmus Gallery**

[www.litmusgallery.com](http://www.litmusgallery.com)

919-571-3605

### **Claymakers**

[www.claymakers.com](http://www.claymakers.com)

919-530-8355

### **Durham Arts Council**

[www.durhamarts.org](http://www.durhamarts.org)

919-560-2726

### **Cary Arts Center**

[www.townofcary.org](http://www.townofcary.org)

919-469-4069