

Minnesota Women Ceramic Artists is a professional organization that supports women ceramic artists in Minnesota. MNWCA provides its members opportunities for exhibiting, networking and mentoring throughout their ceramic careers. MNWCA also furthers the creative and professional development of its members.

Newsletter – Summer 2012

Upcoming Events

For more information, visit http://mnwca.org

Movie Nights at the Northern Clay Center
Share popcorn and a video with other ceramic artists

Introducing 'Wise Women Series'
Workshops with prominent women ceramic artists
Sandi Pierantozzi – August 2-3, 2012
Linda Christianson – October, 2012
Lana Wilson and Linda Arbuckle – 2013
Panel discussion with Betsy Williams, Chandra DeBuse, and
Kathy King – September 7, 2012, as part of the Northern
Clay Center's American Pottery Festival

2012 Juried Members' Exhibition Owatonna Arts Center – November, 2012

Minnesota Women Ceramic Artists' new website

Our new website - http://mnwca.org - gives members tools to showcase their work to the public, has the latest information on upcoming workshops, lectures, social activities, and exhibitions sponsored by MNWCA, and provides an online community for sharing member news, happenings, classifieds, and other topics of interest.

Networking, Learning and Sharing Opportunities

MNWCA hosts monthly events including workshops, critiques, retreats, and social outings. Many are open to non-members and all ceramic artists. Click Events on our website for a complete listing of upcoming events.

Our new *Wise Women Series* – workshops, lectures and discussions with inspiring national ceramic artists – kicks off in August with Sandi Pierantozzi. Sandi's lecture and workshop will focus on handbuilding functional pots. Additional workshop artists include Linda Christianson, Lana Wilson and Linda Arbuckle. And MNWCA is joining with the Northern Clay Center to present a panel discussion with Betsy Williams, Chandra DeBuse and Kathy King as part of their American Pottery Festival in September.

MNWCA 2013 Exhibitions

Minnesota and Wisconsin women ceramic artists will collaborate in an exhibition themed *Tributaries* at the Phipps Center for the Arts in Hudson, WI next June. We're also sponsoring an exhibition and workshop at the Duluth Art Institute in September.

Mentoring Program

MNWCA now provides a mentoring program for members. To learn more about mentoring opportunities with other MNWCA members, review the information under MNWCA Buzz on our website.

Promoting MNWCA

We are developing promotional postcards for galleries, arts businesses, and members. If you'd be willing to display them at your business, art events, or studio, please email minnesotawomenceramicartists@gmail.com.

Volunteer Opportunities

We currently need help on two committees.

We're looking for a mentee to help support our Mentoring Program. You'll work closely with Karen McPherson, Gallery Manager at the Northern Clay Center.

We're also looking for help with our goal to build the MNWCA brand. If you're interested in working learning more about promoting and marketing art and exhibitions using social networking, Internet event and press tools, and media contacts, this is a great opportunity. This committee will also develop and implement a plan to promote MNWCA at NCECA.

If you're interested in volunteering, email minnesotawomenceramicartists@gmail.com.