

# Mile High Polymer Clay Guild (MHPCG) April - June 2019 NEWSLETTER



## President's Letter

Where has the time gone? We are already half way through 2019. I hope everyone is enjoying the beginning of summer; Colorado is just now starting to feel like summer. Just a few weeks ago, it was like winter.

Our guild started the summer off with an amazing workshop by Melanie West. Melanie flew in from Maine, and spent two fantastic days with us.

We had an amazing turnout of 16 participants. There were people from New Mexico and California, plus one from Boulder. We gained 2 new members there, plus a new member from the Longmont guild! Now that tells you just how amazing an artist and teacher Melanie is, for people to travel that distance, to Lakewood, for one of her workshop! We learned the magic of translucent clay and of pigments, and the science behind it all. The oohs and awes from everyone lasted the entire two days.

A huge "Thank You" goes to Polyform for providing us with all the clay we needed for the workshop! What a wonderful treat for us!

May was our annual Spring Retreat! It's always such a great time; two days filled with clay fun, food, and 'family'. I know many of us look forward to our two yearly retreats. I am already looking forward to the Fall Retreat, October 18 & 19!

I hope everyone has a safe, colorful, and clay filled summer!

Kari

## GUILD NEWS

### **Upcoming 2019 Clay Day Meetings:**

**Clay Day - July 27th** - Demo(s) TBA (possibilities: Peg and Tina G)

**August NO CLAY DAY** (Ideas anyone? Let someone on the board know if you have an idea of where we could meet in August for our Clay Day!! Because of previously scheduled church (GMPC) events, August has no open Saturdays for us.

**Clay Day - September 28th** - Demo(s) TBA (let Peg know if you have a demo you would like to do) pegary69@gmail.com

**Oct 18-19 FALL RETREAT** will be the 3rd weekend. (GMPC'S annual community Halloween Party falls on our 4th Saturday every year)

**Oct 26-27** Rocky Mountain Hobby Expo at the Merchandise Mart (We have been invited back!!!!)

**Clay Day - Nov 23rd** - Demo(s) TBA (Peg is always looking for volunteers!)

**December:** No Clay Day

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**Interested in teaching** a 1 day class (for profit) for guild members? Turn in a proposal to Kari or Sue. A proposal form should be available for download on the website soon.

## NOTES:

Always looking for ideas for clay guild events! If you have ideas for bringing in another outside clay artist(s) for a workshop, let the board know!!

Refreshment Cart: coffee and tea always available. Bring Snacks to share!

## MHPCG Officers ( New\*)

- + President: Kari
- + VP Membership: Sue
- + Treasurer: Sherilyn
- + Secretary: Bertha
- + Library: Tina G
- + Newsletter: Tina G.
- + Website: Bertha
- + Store: Rosanne \*
- + Swaps: Julie A & Pam
- + Demos: Peg H
- + Group Orders/Goody Bags: Kari

## Color sites to look up

<https://www.sculpey.com/create/category/color-mixing/>



## Interesting web sites/videos

Creating a Polymer Clay Lump Cat <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UllaE5IkWWw>

Bronze B Metal Coating Application & Patina

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=juUQJdY3JuQ>

Polymer Clay Translucent "Pebble" Cane <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jOk7V1oKM8E>

Cracked Edge Technique Polymer Clay <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8JeKypuEZHs&index=15&list=PLfJ8BL5-pwPkJ8Ge3kE2dP0Stytf1nrNJ>

DIY Opalized Wood stone. Polymer Clay Realistic Gemstone imitation technique. VIDEO Tutorial!

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Mt1lv9wWFG8>

(for crackle, try w/ swellegant or paibt or inka gold that you know crackles)

4/27/19 MHPCG demo Resin with Peg and Julie



5/17/19 MHPCG retreat (no clay day)



Suzanne.



Sue Mueller



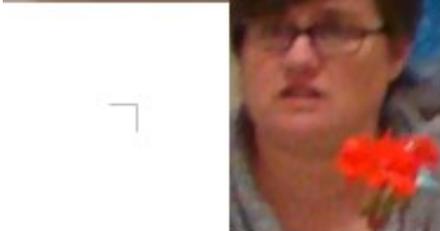
Maya Benjamin



Linda Benjamin



Diane Kremer



5/17/19 MHPCG retreat (continued)





### MELANIE WEST WORKSHOP

A Unique Way of Organic Caving - Full of Depth and Color!  
presented by Mile High Polymer Clay Guild ([www.mhpcg.org](http://www.mhpcg.org))

Friday June 14 - Saturday June 15, 2019

