

**MILE HIGH POLYMER CLAY GUILD (MHPCG)
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LETTER FROM OUR PRESIDENT:

A huge welcome to all of our new members! I love seeing all the new faces. We have members from all over the country and even outside the United States. Zoom has been instrumental in allowing us to reach out past Colorado.

The Sarah Shriver class is tomorrow (as of the time I'm writing this). I'm so excited!!!! If you have a suggestion for someone you would like to see teach a workshop, the board love to hear.

As wonderful as Zoom is, it's so important to meet in person as well. There is an energy about it that's hard to put into words. If you are able and comfortable to meet in person, come on down to Clay Day, and play, share, and just be amongst others that have this same passion. Every single one of us is different, which is what the world needs and what makes each of us so special and unique. But the one thing we all have in common is the love of polymer clay and creating.

The January recovery party is coming up and that's always a special time for all of us. Looking forward to seeing everyone and being together.

Sending each and every one of you a huge virtual hug.

❖ **MHPCG OFFICERS**

- ❖ + President: Kari
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- ❖ + Website: Bertha
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- ❖ + Swaps: Julie A & Pam
- ❖ + Demos: Peg H
- ❖ + Group Orders/Goody Bags: Kari

Adam Thomas Rees was our special guest at the July meeting, via Zoom from the Salt Lake area. Adam is known for his polymer clay sculptures – birds, fish and other animals, made from a variety of canes. He currently sells only in galleries. Adam has built his own oven due to the size of some of the sculptures. He makes large canes and reduces to several sizes; he admits

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to having canes from many years ago that he still uses. Below is an example of one of his typical sculptures and one of his cabinets of canes:



Our own Marina Ruminova gave a demonstration of a peacock cane. The video is also available on YouTube, but since the original is in Russian, Marina hoped the English version would be more helpful to Guild members.

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Maureen Carlson was our guest in September, demonstrating use of her doll face molds. She is the author of two books, [How to Make Clay Characters](#) and [Family and Friends in Polymer Clay](#) and has written for craft magazines. Maureen has also produced a series of instructional videotapes about polymer clay. Her molds and figurines are found in craft and gift stores nationwide; she also has an Etsy store, featuring her many sizes of molds for doll faces, hands, feet, etc.



TRAININGS IN THE PC COMMUNITY:

→ **Clayathon Retreat and Workshops** will be held Virtual in 2022, beginning February 16, 2022 ! Check their Facebook page for details.

→ **Color Week 2020**- taught by Color Week 2020 team Lindly Haunani & Maggie Maggio; and host Annie Hooten, (hootenannie4@aol.com), Albuquerque, NM **October 26th- 31st, 2021**.

→**Polymer Clay Symposium**. It's not too early to sign up for this series of FREE trainings, sponsored by Curious Mondo. The series runs February 14-18, 2022.
www.polymerclaysymp.com

→ **Creative Journeys Studios in Georgia** has listed their 2022 classes. Check out creativejourneystudios.com

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Workshop Tracks:

- Polymer clay Jewelry
- Polymer clay New trends
- Polymer clay Sculpting
- Polymer clay Surface Design
- Polymer clay in Mixed Media
- Friends of Polymer Clay
- Polymer clay Canes