

#### Northwest Designer Craftsmen Newsletter

May 2022

# **Deadlines**

Fantasy Footwear applications due by June 30th, 2022.

### President's Note

Yesterday, April 30<sup>th</sup>, the position announcement for the NWDC half-time Executive Director position closed with four candidate applications received. We are delighted with the breadth of backgrounds these candidates represent. The NWDC Board will now begin the process or fully reviewing the applications and their references. Interviews will be conducted, and decisions made to potentially meet our goal of introducing our new Executive Director in June.

NWDC has a great deal to be thankful for this this spring with excellent programs in store, two NWDC social events this summer, a fantastical exhibition opening in August, and our organization energized to new heights with an Executive Director.

This newsletter tells what's ahead. I hope you mark your calendars and plan to participate!

# **M**eetings

NWDC Board Meetings second Tuesday of each month from 5:30 to 7 pm. Contact President Nancy Loorem Adams at <a href="mailto:nwdcpresident@gmail.com">nwdcpresident@gmail.com</a> with topics you would like the Board to consider.

**Exhibitions** 



Dona Anderson

#### **FANTASY FOOTWEAR**

The Shoe Reimagined

NWDC 2022 Show—celebrating the shoe!

The path is set for a fantastic NWDC show in 2022—in person at the Clarke and Clarke, Art + Artifact gallery in Mercer Island. Ginny and Jim Clarke are honorary members of NWDC. The show runs from August 6th through September 30<sup>th</sup> with an opening reception on August 6<sup>th</sup>. Use your imagination to create footwear in your favored media in a format no larger than 10 by 10" 2D or 10 by 10 by 10" 3D. The show will also be kicked off virtually on the NWDC website in the same format as the NWCraft shows.

Make a trail in the gallery's neighborhood where six restaurants, a wine bar, and Island Treats are nearby. There will be ample opportunity to leave your footprint in the art world on this fun and fantastical event.

The Clarke Gallery has an extensive network, drawing attention from designers and art aficionados. They maintain an online shop and former locations in Scottsdale and Santa Fe.

 $\label{prospectus} \textit{Prospectus available on the website: } \textbf{https://www.nwdesignercraftsmen.org/members-acces}$ 



# **Announcements**

#### The Accidental Curator nominated for an Emmy!

The most recent video in the Living Treasures series, *Lloyd Herman, The Accidental Curator* was just nominated for an EMMY by the National Academy of Television Art and Science (NATAS). Authored by Gayle Podrabsky and John Forsen of Fidget TV in coordination with the Living Treasures Project Committee, this nomination serves both as a special acknowledgement to Gayle and John's video artistry, and as reminder that NWDC remains committed to creating the highest quality videos for the Living Treasures Project.

The Lloyd Herman video was one of 30 or so entries in the category of Arts/Entertainment in Long Format - over ten minutes. The jurying is regional: Our region is WA, OR, ID, MT and Alaska- just like NWDC's membership.

The videos are judged on Creativity, Content, Execution and Story.

The other 3 contending with the Fidget TV production are one show by Nancy Guppy of the Seattle Channel, and two shows by Oregon Public Broadcasting. Interestingly, the competitors budgets were over twice that of Lloyd's documentary. We shall see who the winner is on June 4<sup>th</sup>.

All of NWDC's members should be proud of their past support for the Living Treasures Project, having now helped with the completion of 10 documentaries, each of the highest quality. Please remember to come and show your appreciation for Lloyd's accomplishments by attending the live premiere of *Lloyd Herman, The*\*\*Accidental Curator\*\* at the Broadway Performance Hall on Sunday, June 26<sup>th</sup>. Visit the NWDC webpage (https://www.nwdesignercraftsmen.org/lloyd-herman-premiere) where you'll find all the details of the event.



Lloyd Herman at BAM for his Traveller's Art Sale benefiting NWDC and BAM.



Gayle Podrabsky interviewing Michael Monroe

#### NWDC Zoom Artist Talk with Lynn Di Nino

We hope you will be able to join us for our next Zoom Artist Talk with long time NWDC member Lynn Di Nino.

Lynn became a full-time artist in 1973, and was involved with Friends of the Rag (the original wearable art collective) which led her first to 'soft sculpture', then to hard sculpture using cement, wood, fiber, welded steel and her original love: household items.

Lynn's themes are often social commentary: currently problems with the food we're eating and the plastic wrapping it comes in.

Moving to sleepy Tacoma in 2001 inspired her to use her Friends of the Rag performance art skills to coalesce the local art scene. Lynn designed colorful themed theatrical pieces, organized scores of talented artists to help create props and costumes, located musicians and outdoor venues to attract art-loving audiences. Grant money paid for some of her efforts, and many events gained great notoriety and popularity

This performance art body of work will be the subject of her talk.

More about Lynn and her work here: https://lynndinino.com

Topic: Lynn Di Nino Artist Talk

Time: Jun 18, 2022 03:00 PM Pacific Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82349082553?pwd=Q01nRkhTdnFaeDc2L0sxWDcva3BMZz09

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Find your local number: https://us02web.zoom.us/u/kzNB2abT6



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#### NWDC Summer Social Sunday July 17<sup>th</sup> Noon – 4 pm

Newport Shores Bellevue

SAVE THE DATE!

It's time to safely socialize out of doors with a pot-luck celebration at the beautiful

Lake Washington home of Cheri Hill 53 Skagit Key Bellevue, WA 98006

We are looking forward to meeting new members, reconnecting with continuing members and honoring new Life-Time Members Ron Pascho 2021, and Gretchen Echols 2022. We may be able to introduce the new NWDC half-time Executive Director too!

#### RON HO - A JEWELER'S TALE

In honor of Asian Pacific American Heritage Month, Public Television, Channel 9, will rebroadcast RON HO – A JEWELER'S TALE on Saturday, May 14 at 7:30 PM. It is also featured in the May viewer guide.



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# MASTERPIECE RIDLEY ROAD

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Northwest Designer Craftsmen Presents: Ron Ho



Crosscut Festival Main Stage



Great Performances: Merry Wives



#### Passing of Lloyd Herman's husband, Richard(Dick) Wilson

Members of Northwest Designer Craftsmen often read of the organizations well-deserved accomplishments, reserving the challenging information for that mouth-to-mouth network that never rests. Today we get both, the celebration of Lloyd Herman's life and his accomplishments by the latest Living Treasures Project video, and the sad news of the passing of Lloyd's husband, Richard "Dick" Wilson. Lloyd and Dick met in 1974, and Dick became the strongest partner and supporter of Lloyd Herman, the craft advocate. Together, they enjoyed the rewards of music, theater, and most of all, travel as Lloyd led craft tours to India Vietnam, Morocco, Turkey, Bhutan, Jordan and Iran....Dick accompanied Lloyd on six trips to India, which must be love.

Please take some time to think of Dick, he was one of those often-unrecognized invisible supporters of NWDC.

Passing along the words of Larry Metcalf,

"All too often we forget about the person that makes the "ME IN LIFE." It is difficult but important to write and remember the "WE IN LIFE."

Lloyd and Dick experienced a long commitment... meaningfully memories of a journey traveled together.

Keep Lloyd close as he grieves on this crossing. Take a few minutes to reflect."



#### **Calendar of Events**

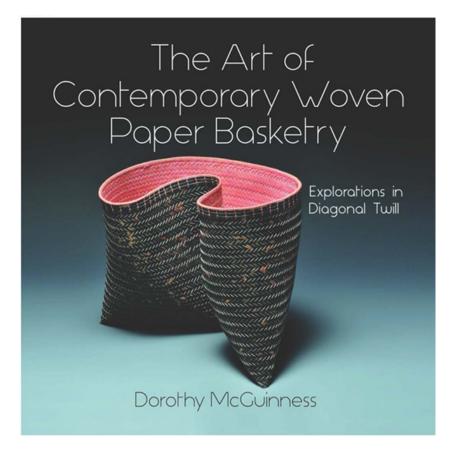
Lynn DiNino Zoom Artist Talk : Saturday June 18, 2022 from 3 to 4:15 pm  $\,$ 

June 26th Lloyd Herman Accidental Curator World Premier Broadway Performance Hall Capitol Hill Seattle

July 17th NWDC Summer Social Newport Shores Bellevue private home

Fantasy Footwear Exhibition The Shoe Reimagined Clarke & Clarke Art+Artifacts Gallery Mercer Island opening reception, August, 6th, 2022 Lanny Bergner Zoom Artist Talk- Fall, 2022

## **Member News**



Dorothy McGuinness has written a book on diagonal twill basketry in paper. The title is: <u>The Art of Contemporary Woven Paper Basketry, Explorations in Diagonal Twill.</u> It will be available in September 2021 from Schiffer books or through Amazon.

 $\underline{\text{https://www.schifferbooks.com/the-art-of-contemporary-woven-paper-basketry-explorations-in-diagonal-twill-7264}$ 

#### **Contemporary Clay 2022 Exhibition**



Blue Irish Lois Harbaugh



Empty Cup Ewer Lois Harbaugh

These two ewers by Lois Harbaugh were juried into "Contemporary Clay 2022" at The Art Center of Western Colorado. Juror: Fong Choo.

Empty Cup Ewer takes it's shape from my cup molds. It's volume is the narrow band around the empty cup. Yet it fills a teacup made from the mold.

Blue Iris builds on the Empty Cup Ewer form. Surfaced with a glaze named for a flower (blue iris), the form mimics the way sculptors depict an eye's iris with a concave shape —suggesting the blue iris of an eye. The "eye" lid has a brown iris. (My loved ones are Asians. I married an Asian; our children married Asians... making my eye, for now, the family's last blue iris.)





Curves 1
cotton canvas and thread
Photo Credit: Bret Corrington

Claire B Jones is one of four artists invited to exhibit in **Intersections = Math + Art: Showing Our Work** at Mobius Gallery at Cascadia College in Bothell, WA. This exhibition features artists who integrate mathematical processes into their artworks. The results reflect a diversity of forms and an opportunity to share an interdisciplinary approach to both art and math. An opening reception and artist discussion is currently scheduled for Thursday May 12th, 12-2pm.

Exhibit Dates:: May 9 - June 3rd, 2022

Mobius Art Gallery

First Floor of CC3, Global & Learning Arts Building,

18345 Campus Way NE,



#### NWDC Board of Directors

<u>Living Treasures Videos, Information and Donation Form</u>

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Send short, focused content, links and photos to Barbara De Pirro

#### NWDC Facebook Members Group Page:

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