

Northwest Designer Craftsmen Newsletter

November 2021

Remember if you have **member news to submit for the December newsletter the deadline is November 15th**. Please send information in the body of an email (not a pdf or postcard image) to **Judy** at <u>NWDCeditor@gmail.com</u>. Images need to be in a **jpg format around 600 pixels** on the longest side. Please include titles and media for artworks.

Deadlines

November 1 - November 15 Vote for new NWDC Applicants, Honorary Members, Lifetime Member and 2022 Board Officer Slate.

To Vote click this link: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAlpQLSc3F8IHdd5WEwol-TDDoEyje0HBZFVsDUpLEULJnNxVy7O4FQ/viewform?usp=sf_link

President's Note

PLEASE READ

NWDC BOARD ADOPTS:

- PAID HALF-TIME EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR LEADERSHIP MODEL
- 5-YEAR MEMEBERSHIP FUNDRAISING PLEDGE CAMPAIGN
- GOAL TO INVESTIGATE AN NWDC GALLERY FOR MEMBER ARTISTS ONLINE SALES

At our recent retreat, the NWDC Board determined that it is time for our organization to move into the future with a professional, paid half-time Executive Director working closely with the Board. The critical details of our ever-expanding programs, as well as the consistent lack of volunteers, make it impossible to sustain our current programs or grow our organization at the high level we all desire without an infusion of leadership and day-to-day operational support.

Potential Roles of Half Time Executive Director - Salary range \$30-35,000 no benefits

Supports and contributes to visionary leadership and direction of NWDC

Works with the NWDC Board to establish goals and implementation strategies

Contributes to implementation of NWDC Diversity, Equity, Inclusion Policy

Facilitates day-to-day operations and fiscal management of NWDC

Represents NWDC by creating partnerships, securing exhibitions and new members recruitment including supporting our diversity membership goals

Assists with programs, lectures, artist talks, exhibitions, newsletter publications, eblasts

Brings together NWDC members for short-term projects to support our goals

Manages fund development: annual fundraising campaign, estate gifts, grants, and income generating programs supporting our membership e.g., NWDC web-based sales gallery

Supports anniversary exhibition planning and implementation

Ensures effective communication with membership and addresses day-to-day member needs Attends all Board meetings and NWDC functions

To achieve this goal, the Board additionally adopted a plan to raise funds for the Executive Director position through a 5-Year Membership Pledge Campaign prior to seeking outside funding sources.

With these two goals as contingencies, the current Board agreed to continue in leadership roles to guide NWDC through this exciting, evolutionary step. As you vote for Board Executive Leadership on your ballot this month, your endorsement of these leadership candidates will indicate your support of these two goals as essential to achieving NWDC's vision for our future:

Board President: Nancy Loorem Adams

Vice President: Katherine Lewis

Secretary: Lin McJunkin

Treasurer: Ron Pascho

INVESTIGATE NWDC GALLERY FOR MEMBER ARTISTS ONLINE SALES

To support members' professional advancement while furthering NWDC's operational income, the Board adopted a third goal to investigate creating an online sales gallery at the NWDC website where members may show work for sale with a percentage of sales proceeds going to NWDC's operating funds. With a new half-time Executive Director, this goal is a realistic vision for NWDC to pursue.

BACKGROUND

NWDC Recent Accomplishments:

- 65th Anniversary Currents 2020 exhibition, master classes and exhibition video
- 5 ZOOM Artist Talks posted to YouTube
- 2 Business of Art Zoom programs posted to Members Only Page
- In person artist panels video-taped: Basketry, Fine Craft Panel, Invited artist lectures
- NWCraft20 and 21 annual benefit exhibitions
- 3 Award winning Living Treasurer documentaries
- 2 Russell and Marjorie Day Invited Lectures: Kiff Slemmons and Sequoia Miller
- Co-sponsored and co-curated major exhibitions at BAM: Ron Ho a Jewelers Tale,

Tip Toland: Empathy in Clay

- 56 new NWDC members since 2016
- 10 -- applicants to be voted on November 2021
- 10 Honorary Members since 2016
- 4 Honorary Members to be voted on 2021
- Annual Socials in person or online with Image Bank and New Member presentations
- Procured Professional Services for technology management and bookkeeping
- Implemented new Membership Works, MailChimp and Stripe--VISA processing system
- Created a new website integrating all the new technologies to allow for membership and constituent communications, website dues payments, and donations

These efforts were spearheaded and carried out by NWDC volunteers dedicated to growing NWDC to the quality organization it is today. NWDC is now at a turning point given our inability to continue this trajectory without volunteers to continue the work. The question is—shall NWDC go forward with professional leadership or significantly curtail or cease our programs due to lack of volunteers?



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

Exhibitions



NWCraft21 Benefit Exhibition

November 8, 2021-January 3, 2022

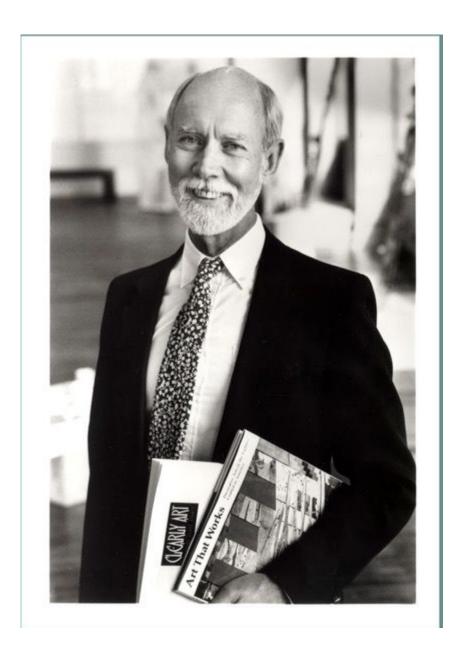
This year our virtual exhibition will benefit the Allied Arts Association/Gallery at the Park in Richland, WA. The exhibition will be presented in the format used last year on the NWDC web site with links to the Gallery at the Park store to handle sales. For more information click here https://www.nwdesignercraftsmen.org/nwcraft-exhibitions

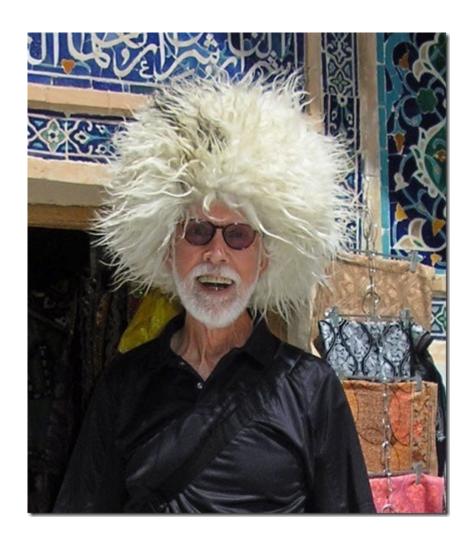
September 30, 2021 Call for entry closed

November 8, 2021 Exhibition open at the NWDC website homepage

January 3, 2022 Show Closes

Announcements





The Living Treasures Project's premiere of the Lloyd Herman video documentary has Changed to a Virtual Event

The premiere of *Lloyd Herman:* **The Accidental Curator** is now going to be a virtual event. Join the Zoom meeting at 2 pm on November 21st for the introductory remarks, followed by the premiere presentation of the Living Treasures Project's newest cinematic achievement. Questions? Please contact Lynn Di Nino.

Sunday, November 21, 2021 from 2 - 4 pm PST

2pm: Welcome and introductory remarks

2:20pm: Documentary premiere (30 minutes)

3-4pm: We will end with a lively talk-back session with Lloyd and the creators of this wonderful film, Gayle Podrabsky and John Forsen. Lloyd, Gayle, and John will answer questions you submit by Zoom.

Join the Zoom meeting on November 21st:



North By Northwest

L 15" X W 9" X D 1 3/4"

Whale bone, beach bottle glass, Asian coin, sterling silver, and lamb shanks. Fabricated from a West Seattle/Fauntleroy Ferry beachcomb of found material. 1995

Laurie Hall

"Found in the Northwest"

Part 2 of the Laurie Hall Zoom Artist Talk:

(Sequel to "Ziplock, Top Drawer")

Date: TBD

The date will coincide with the upcoming publication of the book

"North by Northwest: the Jewelry of Laurie Hall"

by Susan Cummins, published by Arnoldsche.



Now on You-Tube!

Did you miss the Artist Talk with Ken Turner? Or maybe you want to watch it again.

The talk (along with all the rest of our Artist Talks and Living Treasures videos) is now up on the NWDC's You-Tube channel!

Follow this link, or just search for Northwest Designer Craftsmen on You-Tube.

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCRZhwrYzoGG ITiKqlczSvg/videos

Image: Equinox
Photo by Ken Turner



Kristy at her bench sculpting handmade felt into form.

Save the Date for our Artist Talk with fiber artist Kristy Kun on January 29, 2022

Photo: Betsy Blue Photography

2021

Calendar of Events

NWCraft21 Exhibition November 8th 2021 — January 3rd 2022 Lloyd Herman online event: *Accidental Curator November 21st 2-4pm* Laurie Hall Artist Talk part two- date tbd November 2021 Kristi Kun Zoom Artist Talk January 29, 2022. Lanny Bergner Zoom Artist Talk March,2022 Lynn DiNino Zoom Artist Talk June, 2022

Member News

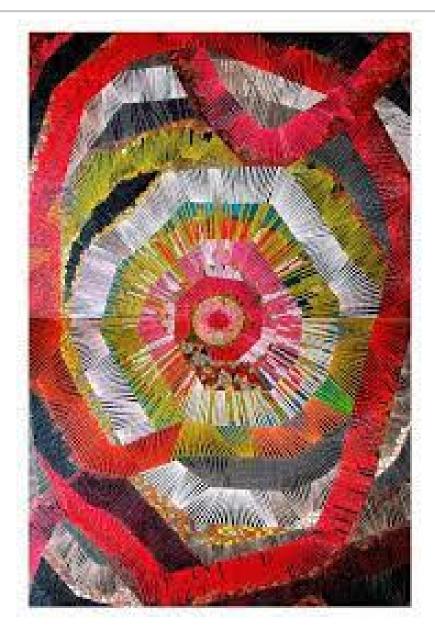


Paracas Family

Ply splitting-artist made 4-ply cords of linen and cotton

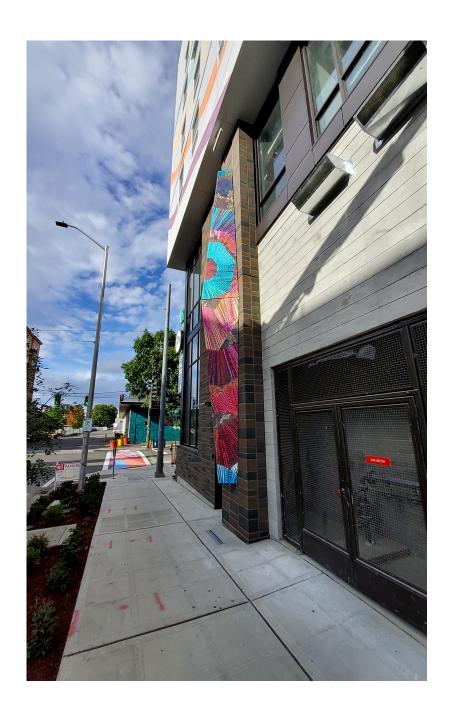
Barbara J. Walker

Barbara J. Walker's *Paracas Family* (now a family of five) has been selected for CraftForms 2021 at the Wayne Art Center, December 4 to January 29, 2022, in Wayne, PA.



Naoko Morisawa Selected for Vashon Artist Residency

https://vashonartistresidency.com/



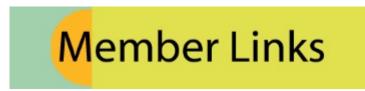


Naoko Morisawa

Children's Hospital Vynyl Wrap Public Art Project Othello Square Seattle 26 foot high exterior design art project

Gratitude

Exceptional gratitude for NWDC Leadership willing to continue serving on the Board assuming the membership votes in to affirm the future of NWDC. Each Board member gives of their time and talent. Noble Golden, Barbara Matthews, Laura Stangel Schmidt, Denise Snyder, Judy Laub, Peter Olsen, Ron Pascho, Lin McJunkin, Katherine Lewis, and Nancy Loorem Adams.



NWDC Board of Directors

Living Treasures Videos, Information and Donation Form

MEMBERS:

MEMBERS ONLY portion of the NWDC website

PASSWORD: Your personal ID and password

Members Directory

Log-in to your Member Profile

You can edit your information on the website, change images, pay dues

FACEBOOK:

NWDC Facebook Public Page:

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

NWDC Facebook Members Group Page:

This page is set-up so that each member can post directly themselves. An excellent way to reach out to members about exhibitions, workshops, call to artists, resources, questions, etc.

INSTAGRAM:

NWDC Instagram:

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









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