

## **Alberta Potters' Association Historic Timeline 1968-2020**

### **1969**

Les Manning, Santos Mignosa, Vic Brosz, Walter Drohan, Jim Marshall, John Porter. Rosalind Grant, Marj Beynon, Ann Hemingway and Allane Fraser joined the group in 1969. Announcement of the first slate of officers.

### **1970**

Executive, 1970-71: President: Vic Brosz; Vice President: John Porter; Workshops: John Porter; Archive: Dave Green; Education: Walt Drohan; Nominations: Charles Hilton; Treasurer: Harold Falkenburg; Memberships: Marjorie Benyon; Recording Secretary: Anne Hemingway; Correspondence Secretary: Allane Fraser.

June: First newsletter by Tony Bloom, editor; Jim Marshall, publisher.

September: 1st organization membership meeting held in Calgary, 72 in attendance.

### **1971**

AGM: 1st APA AGM, Medicine Hat-Clay pits, Rattlesnake Coulee Field trip with 92 participants.

Executive, 1971-72: President: Vic Brosz; Vice President: Rosalind Grant; Workshops: Rosalind Grant; Archive: Dave Green; Education: vacant; Nominations: Santos Mignos; Treasurer: Harold Falkenburg; Memberships: Marjorie Benyon; Recording Secretary: Anne Hemingway; Correspondence Secretary: Allane Fraser.

May: Societies document registered.

### **1972**

Executive, 1972-73: President: Les Manning; Vice President: Dave Green; Workshops: Larry Weaver; Archive: Tony Bloom; Education: Santos Mignosa; Nominations: Tony Bloom; Treasurer: Harold Falkenburg; Memberships: Marjorie Benyon; Recording Secretary: Erma Brisson; Correspondence Secretary: Allane Fraser.

AGM: May, Provost

Workshop: Provost, Mary Borgstrom hosts, Primitive firing.

APA Raku: week-long demo at Calgary Stampede.

Les Manning voted Chairman of Ceramics International 73.

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### **1973**

Executive, 1973-74: President: Les Manning; Vice President: Dave Green; Workshops: Larry Weaver; Archive: Donna McKenzie; Education: Mary Borgstrom; Nominations: Margo Legasse; Treasurer: Harold Falkenburg; Memberships: Sylvia Manning; Recording Secretary: Allane Fraser; Correspondence Secretary: Jane Dietrich.

AGM: St. Paul

Conference of the International Academy of Ceramics, Banff, AB with presenters from USA, Japan, Italy, Mexico, England and Canada. This was the first, world exhibition of ceramics to be held in North America under the IAC (International Academy of Ceramics). Les Manning appointed chairman of advisory board,

Exhibition: Ceramics International 73, in ACA gallery, Ron Moppet curator. Show had 1493 entries, 254 accepted. Jurors: Walter Drohan, Maurice Savoie, Ruth Duckworth, Kurt Spurrey, Peter Voukos.

APA Newsletter #17 – becomes *Contact* magazine with Canada-wide member subscribers.

### **1974**

Executive, 1974-75, President: Dave Green; Vice President: Tony Bloom; Workshops: Liz Mould; Archive: Mary Borgstrom; Education: Mary Soper; Nominations: Chris Hall; Treasurer: Duncan Currie; Memberships: Doreen Wayne; Recording Secretary: Allan Jensen; Correspondence Secretary: Sylvia Manning.

AGM: Red Deer

### **1975**

Executive, 1975-76: President: Dave Green; Vice President: Tony Bloom; Workshops: Liz Mould; Archive: John Porter; Education: Elaine Harrison; Nominations: Tony Bloom; Treasurer: Duncan Currie; Memberships: Frances Schnepf; Recording Secretary: Allen Jensen; Correspondence Secretary: Sylvia Manning.

AGM: Canmore

Exhibition: Cone Box Show, Bow Valley Square, Calgary. Open to all APA members to apply. Numerous awards. First inclusive APA show, see *Contact*, January 1976, v.27.

### **1976**

Executive, 1976-77: President: Liz Mould; Vice President: Don Wells; Workshops: Tony Bloom; Archive: Elaine Harrison; Education: Allan Hickey; Nominations: Elaine Classen; Treasurer: Dennis Evans; Memberships: Audrey Meeres; Recording Secretary: Florence McKie; Secretary: Donna Baalbergen.

AGM: Lethbridge, June 4, 5, 6 venue at Bowman Art Center, U of L, Fine Arts.

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Workshops: Liz Mould, Don Wells and Harlan House in Edmonton area.

Seminar: Calgary Seminar 76. This was not organised by the APA but members were welcome to participate in presentations and demos by International ceramic artists.

Exhibition: National Ceramics Exhibition, Glenbow Museum, October 29-December 12. Jurors included: Louise Doucette-Saito, Ed Drahanчук, David Gilhooley, John Reeve, and Don Webster. Organised by the APA, Glenbow-Alberta Institute and the Canadian Guild of Potters.

Ontario Potters Association invites Alberta Potters' Association to participate in its first Biennial Conference, in Hamilton, May 14-16, 1976.

### **1977**

Executive, 1977-78: President: Liz Mould; Vice President: Don Wells; Workshops: Lorraine Oberg; Archive: Elaine Harrison; Education: Tony Bloom; Nominations: Elaine Classen; Treasurer: Dennis Evans; Memberships: Audrey Meeres; Recording Secretary: Florence McKie; Secretary: Donna Baalbergen.

AGM: Calgary, January 15, 1977

AGM: Southwest Cultural Centre, May 22, Edmonton. 363 total members.

Proposal for a pottery Exchange Show with the Ontario Potters Association.

Alberta Ceramics Seminar entitled "Origins and Inspiration", May 14-15, Calgary. Twelve presenters including John Ikeda, Marilyn Levine, Paul Soldner among others.

Alberta Ceramic Symposium '77, Red Deer, May 27-28 at Chapman Galleries and Red Deer College. Demonstrators included John Chalke, Annemarie Schmid Esler among others.

### **1978**

Executive: 1978-79: President: Don Wells; Vice President: Jim Marshall; Workshops: Anita Dumins; Archive: Elaine Harrison; Education: Les Manning; Nominations: Elaine Classen; Treasurer: Dennis Evans; Memberships: Audrey Meeres; Rec Secretary: Ethel Dunn; Correspondence Lorraine Oberg.

AGM: Calgary, June 10, 1978.

AGM sponsored all day workshops at the Ceramics Dept, U of C. Presenters included: Art Nishimura, Susanne Balslove and Carleton Ball. 24 APA members in attendance. Review by Jim Marshall of the workshop and pictures in *Contact*, Aug. 1978 (v.37) p.21.

A province-wide Directory of Alberta Potters and Ceramic Artists is underway which aims to link potters to professional and commercial venues.

Outgoing president's message: ..."the strength of the organisation will be in having involvement from people at all levels..." – Florence McKie

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Exhibitions: Alberta MUD 78, February 24-March 10, 1978, University Art Gallery, U. of C. in conjunction with Festival Calgary. Review of exhibition by Florence McKie in *Contact* May, 1978 (v.36). Review of APA potter Sam Uhlick by Don Wells in *Contact* magazine, spring, 1978 (v. 35)

Festival '78 and the XI Commonwealth Games in Edmonton was the setting for the Alberta Art Foundation's Collection exhibition and "Australian Clay". The Alberta Arts Foundation included work by Annemarie Schmid, Katie Ohe, Ed Dranhanchuk and John Chalke. Review by Florence McKie in *Contact*, Oct., 1978 (v38) pp.3-5. The Australia show interestingly excluded the Aboriginal component of clay makers, see *Contact* (v.38) pp. 6-8. Another featured artist of the Commonwealth Games was Magdalena Odundo. See *Contact* (v.38) pp.16-17.

Artisan '78: First national traveling exhibition of contemporary craft ever to be seen in Canada. Alberta Clay artists included John Chalke, Les Manning, Tony Bloom, see *Contact*, May, 1979, v.40, pp.23-24

### 1979



Executive, 1979-80: President: Don Wells; Vice President: Jim Marshall; Workshops: Connie Westrom; Archive: Elaine Harrison; Education: Les Manning; Nominations: Elaine Classen; Treasurer: George Guild; Memberships: Meredith Boyd; Recording Secretary: Carol Zerebeskie; Secretary: Lorraine Oberg.

AGM May 4, Calgary, U of C.

At the time of the AGM, the APA helped to sponsor a Ceramic Seminar, "The Potter in His World" held at U. of Calgary, May 5-6.

Presenters included: Walter Ostrom, David Settles, John Porter, Walter Dexter, Robert W. Archambeau, Anne-Marie Schmid-Esler, Robin Hopper, Harlan House, Noboru Kubo, and Enid Sharon LeGros. The small catalogue included artist commentaries, pictures and agenda. Overview of Calgary Ceramic Seminars 1974-79, in *Contact*, May, v.40, 1979 pp.12-13.

Goals set out for the APA at the AGM.

Exhibition: "The Alberta Summer Games Juried Exhibition," sponsored by the APA. This was the first juried show of works by all artisans working in clay throughout the province. Quality and craftsmanship are sometimes overlooked by the public when viewing utilitarian ware ... the purpose of the exhibition is to negate this impression and inspire awareness and appreciation of creativity and the "artist in the potter..." (Co-ordinating committee). Jurors: Susanne Balslov, Edmonton; Tony Bergman, Calgary; Mel Clark, Iowa. (Interesting commentary by jurors on organising such a group show). List of APA participants in *Contact*, 1979, autumn, v.41, p.8. Several articles in this issue devoted to this successful show.

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Several other exhibitions and workshops were organized around the province including Medicine Hat, Edmonton, Fort McMurray, and Lethbridge. See *Contact*, March, 1979, v. 39 and May issue, v.40

Foundation of the Alberta Crafts Council Nov. 17. Composed of 14 craft associations.

APA is one of the founding members of the Canadian Crafts Council, November 10.

APA receives the Alberta Achievement Award (see *Contact*, winter, v.41, p31.)

APA Member David Green honoured with 1979 Alberta Achievement Award. He was a founding member of the APA, served as VP (1972-74), editor of *Contact* (1972-73), APA President (1974-76) and was the Alberta representative to the Canadian Crafts Council and the Canadian Guild of Potters in *Contact*, 1979-80, v.42

### 1980



*Adeline Lerohl, Rita Pankonin, Don Wells,  
Lorrain Oberg, Bob Pike, Les Manning*

*Connie Westrom, Meredith Boyd,  
Elaine Harrison*

*Missing: Chuck Wissinger, George Guild*

*1980 - 81 A.P.A. EXECUTIVE*

Executive 1980-1981: President: Lorraine Oberg; Vice President: Meredith Boyd; Workshops: Bob Pike; Archive: Elaine Harrison; Education: Les Manning; Nominations: Chuck Wissinger; Treasurer: George Guild; Memberships: Rita Pankonen; Rec Secretary: Carol Zerebeski; Secretary: Adeline Lerohl.

AGM: 3rd Biannual of Alberta Mud in conjunction with 75th Anniversary of the Province, April/May 1980.

Exhibitions: Alberta Ceramic Showcase 1980, co-sponsored by the APA and the Government of Alberta, May 9-June 1, 1980, Beaver House Gallery, Edmonton.

Exhibition for Seminar 80, April 15-May 4, 1980. Event is showcased in the entire issue of *Contact*, 1980, v43/44.

Workshops, presentations, Mini-Workshops: Ceramics Seminar '80, April 26-27, "Clay – Its place in relation to Society", Edmonton. Several sessions, mini seminars and clinics were offered. This was sponsored by Leisure Learning Services for all interested in pottery and sculpture.

A province-wide Directory of Alberta Potters and Ceramic Artists which aims to link potters to professional and commercial venues is completed by Jim Marshall, Ethel Dunn and Elaine Harrison.

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Profile of clay artist and founder of Plainsman, Luke Lindoe in *Contact*, winter, 1979-80, v.42

APA member Don Wells receives a commission for a 24-place dinner set for Prime Minister Clark's residence at Harrington Lake, *Contact*, winter, 1979-80, v.42

### **1981**

Executive 1981-1982: President: Lorraine Oberg; Vice President: Meredith Boyd; Workshops: Bob Pike; Archive: Elaine Harrison; Education: Les Manning; Nominations: Chuck Wissinger; Treasurer: George Guild; Memberships: Rita Pankonen; Recording Secretary: Carol Zerebeski; Secretary: Adeline Lerohl.

AGM: May 15, 16 and 17, Red Deer College, hosts Conference '81 with activities at the ceramics department. This included several ceramic exhibitions around town. Students and local potters gave demonstrations and held a salt firing. Red Deer Museum hosted exhibition of Central Alberta Clay; showing 38 pieces by local potters. Also at the museum a retrospective of Harlan House (originally from Red Deer). Another significant show was held at Chapman Galleries of 9 high profile clay artists.

Service awards were presented to members who had served on the board for more than five years. A Harlan House Teapot given away at AGM.

Exhibitions: APA juried exhibition: Variations in Vessels, Muttart Gallery, Calgary, April 14-May 4, 1981. Juried show with 226 submissions, 55 selected. Review with photos and participants in *Contact*, 1981, v.46/47.

Moved that planning start for 1984 National Conference, to be tentatively held in Banff.

APA permanent collection noted to be in Glenbow museum, *Contact*, p46 1981, v.46/47.

APA members of South region (Lethbridge) organized a Craft Fair to coincide with the Alberta Summer Games, Aug. 1981.

Workshops: Two workshops given by Jack Sures, one on mural building and another on Throwing and Hand building, Southwest Cultural Centre, Feb.22-26, 1982, Edmonton.

Workshops and seminars: 9 Mini Seminars held in Calgary and Edmonton, January to June and 8 Mini seminars listed for fall, 1981 at Southwest Cultural Centre, Edmonton, see *Contact*, p.26 p47 1981, v.46/47. These represented a wide range of topics such as Kiln building, Throwing, Aspects of Sculpture, local clays etc. and were three hours in duration. Other workshops were presented in Lethbridge. Edmonton had its Second Annual Exhibition and Sale.

### **1982**

Executive 1982-1983: President: Lorraine Oberg; Vice President: vacant; Workshops: Dennis Evans; Archive: Elaine Harrison; Education: Shirley Rimer; Nominations: vacant; Treasurer: George Guild; Memberships: Jackie von Fossen; Recording Secretary: Pat Evans; Secretary: Alice Guild.

AGM: Irish Flynn and Chuck Wissinger featured artists.

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Mini Seminars held in conjunction with Alberta Winter Games, Lloydminster, Feb.25-27, 1982. Five APA potters gave the sessions and an exhibition of works by four members. See *Contact*, 49/50, 1982, p.46.

Workshops: APA (area 3) Edmonton in conjunction with U. of A. Extension, May 10-14, 1982 sponsor week long workshop in airbrushing – all aspects of its use on porcelain. See *Contact*, 1982, v.49/50.

Calgary Ceramic Seminar '82, October 2-3 sponsored by Leisure Learning Services with feature exhibitions. A number of presentations by APA members. See *Contact*, January, 1983, v.52, pp.2-7.

### **1983**

Executive 1983-1984: President: Dennis Evans; Vice President: Gary Williams; Workshops: Annette Greenberg; Archive: Elaine Harrison; Education: Anita Dumins; Nominations: Doris Schuh; Treasurer: George Guild; Memberships: Jackie von Fossen; Recording Secretary: Pat Evans; Secretary: Alice Guild.

AGM: Beaver House, Edmonton, May 1-2. Included a Sculpture workshop and Guest Speakers, see *Contact*, July, 1983, v.54.

Workshops: Weeklong workshop, May 10-14, APA (area 3) Extension U. of Alberta, guest potter Keith Campbell from Ontario.

APA Region 10 with Red Deer Recreation Dept. sponsored a juried show, 'Clay Expressions', Red Deer & District Museum, March 17 - April 4, 1983. 66 pieces were submitted and 27 selected.

List of APA members with work in the Alberta Art Foundation Collection 1973-1981, see *Contact*, v.49-50, and 1982.

Saidye Bronfman Award and the Alberta Achievement Award go to Les Manning.

APA preparing to sponsor Canadian National Conference, in Banff, for 1984.

### **1984**

Executive 1984-1985: President: Dennis Evans; Vice President: Gary Williams; Workshops: Annette Greenberg; Archive: Elaine Harrison; Education: Monika Buchowitz; Nominations: Doris Schuh; Treasurer: Anita Dumins; Memberships: Betty Werner; Recording Secretary: Karen Orser; Secretary: Pat Evans.

AGM: Juried show, Peter Whyte Gallery, Banff with Conference.

Canadian Clay Conference '84, May 7-11, Banff Centre School of Fine Arts. Organised by the APA, Exhibition catalogue published by the APA. Traveling show: Beaver House Gallery, Edmonton; Muttart Gallery, Calgary; Sir Alexander Galt Museum, Lethbridge; Medicine Hat Museum and Art Gallery; Prairie Gallery, Grand Prairie; City of Fort McMurray, Public Library and Art Gallery; Red Deer and District Museum and Archives.

Exhibition: Alberta Clay Comes of Age: Studio Ceramics in Alberta III, 1964-1984 (1984). This is the last part three on the history of studio ceramics in Alberta, published by the Alberta Foundation for the Arts.

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"From the late sixties to the eighties we have seen a revolution in the western world as we changed from an industrial to an information society..." p.8

### **1985**

Executive 1985-1986: President: Margaret Sundstrom; Vice President: Anita Dumins; Workshops: Katharine Zolnai; Archive: Elaine Harrison; Education: Roseanne Nicholson; Nominations: Doris Schuh; Treasurer: Linda Howes; Memberships: Jim Lomow; Rec Secretary: Gwen Strojich; Secretary: vacant.

AGM

### **1986**

Executive 1986-1987: President: Margaret Sundstrom; Vice President: Anita Dumins; Workshops: Katharine Manry-Zolnai; Archive: Elaine Harrison; Education: Marilyn Camp; Nominations: Doris Schuh; Treasurer: Linda Howes; Memberships: Yvonne Lynch; Recording Secretary: Gwen Strojich; Secretary: vacant.

AGM

Symposia: Seminars held biannually alternating between Medicine Hat and Calgary, later between Calgary and Edmonton. Yearly AGM featuring demos, speakers and activities.

### **1987**

Executive 1987-88: President: Margaret Sundstrom; Vice President: Anita Dumins; Workshops: Katharine Manry-Zolnai; Archive: Elaine Harrison; Education: Marilyn Camp; Nominations: Bertine Stuart-Milnes; Treasurer: Janice Rochon; Memberships: Dan Taylor; Recording Secretary: Gwen Strojich; Secretary: vacant.

AGM

Exhibition: Studio Ceramics III

### **1988**

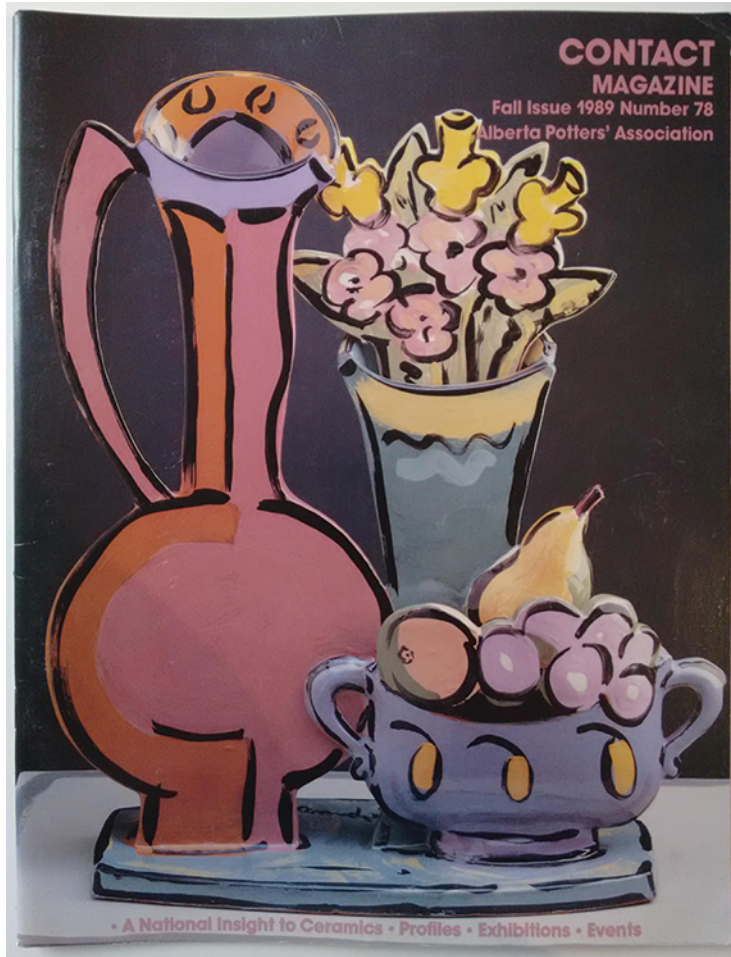
Executive 1988-89: President: Anita Dumins; Vice President: Arne Handley; Workshops: Katharine Manry-Zolnai; Archive: Elaine Harrison; Education: Jaquie von Elsberg; Nominations: Bertine Stuart-Milnes; Treasurer: Janice Rochon; Memberships: Dan Taylor; Recording Secretary: Gwen Strojich; Secretary: vacant.

AGM

Exhibition: Going for Gold, in conjunction with the 15th Olympic Winter Games, December 1987.



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### 1989

Executive 1989-90: President: Arne Handley; Vice President: Trudi Knight; Workshops: Drexel Walker; Archive: Elaine Harrison; Education: Jaquie von Elsberg; Nominations: Bertine Stuart-Milnes; Treasurer: Janice Rochon; Memberships: Dan Taylor; Recording Secretary: Gwen Stojich; Secretary: vacant.

### AGM

Exhibition: Alberta Variations at the Muttart Art Gallery, reviewed by Franklyn Heisler in *Contact* magazine. 89 Works by 26 artists selected with a variety of aesthetics. As one of the key criteria was to make a clear statement of intent, there was commentary on gender, aesthetic and social issues.

### 1990

Executive, 1990-91: President: Arne Handley; Vice President: Trudi Knight; Workshops: Drexel Walker; Archive:

Elaine Harrison; Education: Megan Evans; Nominations: Jaquie von Elsberg; Treasurer: Gwen Stojich; Memberships: JoAnne Thera; Recording Secretary: Catherine Manry; *Contact* magazine: Margaret Sundstrom.

Exhibition: 'A Different Point of View', Muttart Gallery, Calgary. Review of exhibition Paul Gustafson, in *Contact* magazine, fall, 1990. 'Funk to Functional' ceramic show

### 1991

Executive, 1991-92: President: Arne Handley; Vice President: Susan Lindved-Jensen; Workshops/News: John Robertson; Archive: Elaine Harrison; Education: Megan Evans; Nominations: Drexel Walker; Treasurer: Gwen Stojich; Memberships: Maurice Perrault; Recording Secretary: Catherine Manry; *Contact* magazine: Margaret Sundstrom.

APA Exhibition: 'Cups – A Celebration of 20 Years of the APA', May

Canadian Clay and Glass Gallery opens in Kitchener-Waterloo.

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### **1992**

Executive, 1992-93: President: John Robertson; Vice President: Rob Mabee; Workshops/News: Frances Lowe; Archive: Elaine Harrison; Education: Richard Bates; Nominations: Drexel Walker; Treasurer: Kim Mullin; Memberships: Pattie Tallman; Recording Secretary: Shirley Swanby; *Contact* magazine: Pam Rodger.

Don Wells has a solo show at Gardiner Museum, Toronto, entitled 'Ultramarine'.

Elizabeth Menzies, solo show, September, Provence Gallery, Calgary

Luke Lindoe, 'Retrospective Exhibition', Medicine Hat Museum and Art Gallery, Fall.

Bus Tour to Ravenscrag and Eastend led by Luke Lindoe.

### **1993**

Executive, 1993-94: President: John Robertson; Vice President: Arne Handley; Treasurer: Kim Mullin; Secretary: Shirley Swanby; Newsletter: Susan Thorpe; Education: Tracy Buck; *Contact* magazine: Barbara Tipton; Memberships: Elaine Harrison; Exhibitions: vacant; Nominations: vacant; North Area Rep.: Carol Bradley; South Area Rep.: Ria Meloche; Lethbridge Area Rep.: Theresa Hall; Medicine Hat Area Rep.: vacant; Executive Director: Barbara Morton.

Newsletter entitled *In Touch* begins.

Exhibition: Set the Table, Edmonton, in May.

Jim Etzkorn reviews new permanent displays on Egypt Exhibition at the Royal Ontario Museum.

### **1994**

Executive, 1994-95: President: John Robertson; Vice President: Dave Settles; Treasurer: Kim Mullin; Secretary: Shirley Swanby; Newsletter: Linda Perry; Education: Darlene Williams; *Contact* magazine: Barbara Tipton; Memberships: Elaine Harrison; Exhibitions: Ria Meloche; Nominations: Drexel Walker; North Area Rep.: vacant; South Area Rep.: vacant; Lethbridge Area Rep.: Theresa Hall; Medicine Hat Area Rep.: Marilyn Pacheco; Executive Director: Barbara Morton.

AGM U. of Alberta, May 15.

Arne Handley presented with Long Service Award

APA Re-establishes "Project Outreach": workshops are arranged in Athabasca, Hinton, Fairview, Claresholm, Vegreville and Bonnyville. Topics include: raku, glazing, figurine building, and wheel-throwing. Shared costs between APA and recipient group.

APA establishes "Studio Potters' Hotline" to facilitate communication around the province.

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### **1995**

Executive, 1995-96: President Trudi Knight; Vice President: Linda Perry; Treasurer: Kim Mullin; Secretary: Anne Barnes; Newsletter: Marilyn Justice; Education: Diane Sullivan; Memberships: Paul Rozman; Exhibitions: Ria Meloche; Nominations: Kathryn Finnerty; Lethbridge Area Rep.: Theresa Hall; Medicine Hat Area Rep.: Marilyn Pacheco; Calgary Rep. Willie Campbell; Grande prairie Rep.: Cheryl Brown; Edmonton Rep.: Peggy Heer; Red Deer Rep: vacant; Drayton Valley Rep.: vacant; Executive Director: Barbara Morton.

AGM June 3, 1995, Calgary: Drexel Walker presented with five-year pin. Elaine Harrison arranged three exhibitions for the International Seminar.

Members participate in the International Seminar at the Alberta College of Art. Glenys Marshall-Inman organised the cup show to earn money for the student scholarship.

Exhibition: Made in Alberta (members/non-members), juried show in Karuna Gallery in Penny Lane Bldg. 28 pieces and 20 artists.

*Contact* magazine transferred to the private sector, October, 1995

### **1996**

Executive, 1996-97: President Trudi Knight; Vice President: Dianne Sullivan; Treasurer: Kim Mullin; Secretary: Linda Perry; Newsletter: Dianne Sullivan; Education: Diane Sullivan; Memberships: Paul Rozman; Exhibitions: Elke Blodgett; Nominations: vacant; Personnel: Linda Perry; Lethbridge Area Rep.: Marney Delver; Medicine Hat Area Rep.: Kitty Clark; Calgary Rep.: Shirley Glew; Grande prairie Rep.: Cheryl Brown; Edmonton Rep.: Helena Horak; Red Deer Rep.: Alain Faivre; Drayton Valley Rep.: vacant; Executive Director: Sheralee Hancherow.

AGM (25th) Red Deer College, April 27. 1996: New board structure presented; Presentations included 'How to Photograph your Work', Barbara Tipton, a slide presentation by Shirley Rimer and Dan Taylor on marketing and production; more representation from other areas leads board to consider holding meetings in different areas of the province.

Provincial Funding Structure changes for APA to umbrella organisation called Visual Arts Alberta (VAAA), which would include APA, ACACA, Weavers/Spinners/Dyers and the Alberta Society of Artists; the four groups would work together for funding.

APA Outreach Program visits two centers: Bonnyville (Noburo Kubo) and Brooks (Susan Thorpe).

APA Fundraising: 'Clay as Canvas' (Potters & Painters), auction, Canada Olympic Park, Atco Center, May 25, 1996.

Exhibition: 25 Anniversary Show 'Vessels in Celebration', Calgary, Glenbow Museum, September 7 - December 15, 1996.

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### **1997**

Executive, 1997-98: President Trudi Knight; Vice President: vacant; Treasurer: Kim Mullin; Secretary: vacant; Newsletter: Diane Sullivan; Education: vacant; Memberships: Michelle Campbell; Exhibitions: Phil Switzer; Nominations: vacant; Personnel: vacant; Guild Liaison: Alice Collett-Switzer; Communications: Deb Clay; Volunteers: Shari Russel; Fundraising: Megan Evans; Lethbridge Area Rep.: Marilyn Delver; Medicine Hat Area Rep.: Sharon Sept; Calgary Rep. Shirley Glew; Grande prairie Rep.: Cheryl Brown; Edmonton Rep.: Helena Horak; Red Deer Rep: vacant; Fort MacMurray Rep.: Jennifer Creegan; Drayton Valley Rep.: vacant; Athabaska Rep.: Jody Robocon; Wabumun Area Rep.: Tracie Mandreck-Rymer; Executive Director: Barbara Morton.

AGM: Lethbridge, May 24. Update on funding via VAAA; Trudi Knight, President.

Tour of the University of Lethbridge Art Collection. Report on VAAA and changes in funding. A new set of by-laws accepted.

Exhibition: 25 Anniversary Show "Vessels in Celebration" travels to Canadian Clay and Glass Museum, Waterloo-Kitchener, January 7 - February 23; Medicine Hat Museum, March 8 - April 5 extension, Gallery, University of Alberta, May 2 - June 13; Southern Alberta Art Gallery, Lethbridge, June 21 - August 17; Red Deer District Museum, September 28 - November 23.

Project Outreach and Project Partnership provide a number of workshops around the province and a booklet of instructors for future workshops.

### **1998**

Executive, 1998-99: President: Alain Faivre; Vice President: vacant; Secretary: Kelly Komanac; Treasurer: Cheryl Heilman; Memberships: Stella Lee, Mary Kim; Education: Will Truchon; Exhibitions: Kathleen O'Neil; Election Committee: Linda Lewis; Newsletter: Arlana Sobey; Directors: vacant.

Crisis in finding board members (dissolution papers presented) and a person to sit on the VAAA board (without which there is no funding from VAAA). As of March 225 members.

AGM (27th) May 8, Mt. Royal College, Calgary.

Fund Raising: 'Clay as Canvas' to be held at Zoo and a Casino.

Out-Reach conducted 3 workshops around the province.

APA moved to let Medalta keep their collection as long as it is properly insured.

Fundraising: Mug sale, August 29, 1998.

### **1999**

Executive, 1999-2000: President: Alain Favre; Vice President: vacant; Secretary: Kelly Komanac; Treasurer: Enzien Kufeld; Memberships: Stella Lee, Mary Kim; Education: Will Truchon; Exhibitions: Kathleen O'Neil; Election Committee: Linda Lewis; Newsletter: Arlana Sobey; Directors: vacant.

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AGM: Edmonton, U of A. Extension. Wood firing on the agenda, April 29-May 2.

APA decides to donate its collection to Friends of Medalta. Inquiries made to Glenbow Museum about housing APA collection. Begin preparations to start a new website.

Website set up by Linda Lewis.

*Contact* magazine's final issue due to financial problems.

Exhibitions: Latitude 53, March 1 in Edmonton; New Gallery, June 1 Calgary; The Works, June 28-July 2, 1999.

### **2000**

Executive, 2000-01: President: Alan Knowles; Vice President: Craig Charlesworth; Secretary: Aleitha Ward; Treasurer: Tammy Parkes-Legge; Memberships: Tracie Rymer; Education: Ruby Serben; Exhibitions: Kathleen O'Neil; Election Committee: Enzien Kufeld; Newsletter: Arlana Sobey; Directors: Kim Manhard, Enzien Kufeld.

AGM held in Stony Plains, April 16.

Dissolution papers presented but members stepped forward.

Exhibitions/shows: Truck, May 1, Calgary (show of live demos and firings), Devonian Gardens, Calgary.

Fundraising: sale and live demos, Bragg Creek, July 16-17.

Potters' Directory continues to develop.

Outreach: Several workshops around the province.

### **2001**

Executive, 2001-02: President: Alan Knowles; Vice President: Craig Charlesworth; Secretary: Aleitha Ward; Treasurer: Tammy Parkes-Legge; Memberships: Tracie Rymer; Education: Ruby Serben; Exhibitions: Kathleen O'Neil; Election Committee: Enzien Kufeld; Newsletter: Arlana Sobey; Directors: Kim Charlesworth, Enzien Kufeld.

AGM: Medicine Hat, April 21-21.

Membership: 113.

Website to be managed with non-board member with honourarium. Links to MAIR, workshops, administration will be added. Newsletter will continue but non-board member.

Sales: The Works, Edmonton, June 22-July 4,

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Scholarship: goes to Medalta Artist in Residence Program (MAIR) – Robin Dupont the recipient.

Funding: No funding this year from VAAA. Deficit year \$1055.30 (2001-2002).

Re-Incorporation as a Society (2001-2002); Renew membership with VAAA.

### **2002**

Executive, 2002-03: President: Christian Barr; Vice President: Enzien Kufeld; Secretary: Aleitha Ward; Treasurer: Tammy Parkes-Legge; Memberships: Larry McIntosh; Education: Alan Knowles, Tammy Parks-Legge; Exhibitions: Enzien Kufeld; Election Committee: Christian Barr; Newsletter: Sharon Aaltonen; Directors: Heather Fletcher.

AGM: Red Deer, May 26. In conjunction with International Symposium (?)

Scholarship: Scholarship given to Grand Prairie student Brenda Shabatka to attend BIKWA Workshop in Grand Prairie.

Newsletter: *In Touch* continues to accept articles.

Funding: No funding this year from VAAA or AFA.

Exhibition/Sale: Works Festival, June 21-July 2, Edmonton (all APA members can participate).

APA Collection: 27 pieces in boxes according to minutes.

### **2003**

Executive, 2003-04: President: Christian Barr; Vice President: Enzien Kufeld; Secretary: Janis Venhuis; Treasurer: Tammy Parkes-Legge; Memberships: Larry McIntosh; Education: Alan Knowles, Tammy Parks-Legge; Exhibitions: Enzien Kufeld; Election Committee: Christian Barr; Newsletter: vacant; Directors: Alan Knowles, Craig Charlesworth.

AGM: Bow River Clay Works Society, Calgary, June 15. Christian Barr President.

Projects: Web site to be up and running by June, 2003. Board makes Casino application. Approve APA/VAA organize exhibition for 2004 with John Chalke as Juror.

Outreach: no workshops (no money).

Bylaws: Adopt new set of bylaws, Feb. 2003.

Workshop: Wood-fire, fall?

Exhibition/Sales: The Works Festival, June 20 - July 2, Edmonton.

Fundraising: VAA grant awarded for \$3,500.

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### 2004

Executive, 2004-05: President: Christian Barr; Vice President: Enzien Kufeld; Secretary: Craig Charlesworth; Treasurer: Tammy Parkes-Legge; Memberships: Larry McIntosh; Education: Alan Knowles, Tammy Parks-Legge; Exhibitions: Enzien Kufeld; Election Committee: Christian Barr; Newsletter: vacant; Directors: Auvery Reid, Joe Reid, Heather Fletcher.

Symposium: 'Clay Creates Culture', juror: John Chalke. Exhibition at VAA Gallery, Edmonton with catalogue. APA generates 40 new members.

Consequences of Material June 11-13 Red Deer College? Name change?

Workshop: Wild Fire, Aug.6-17.

### 2005

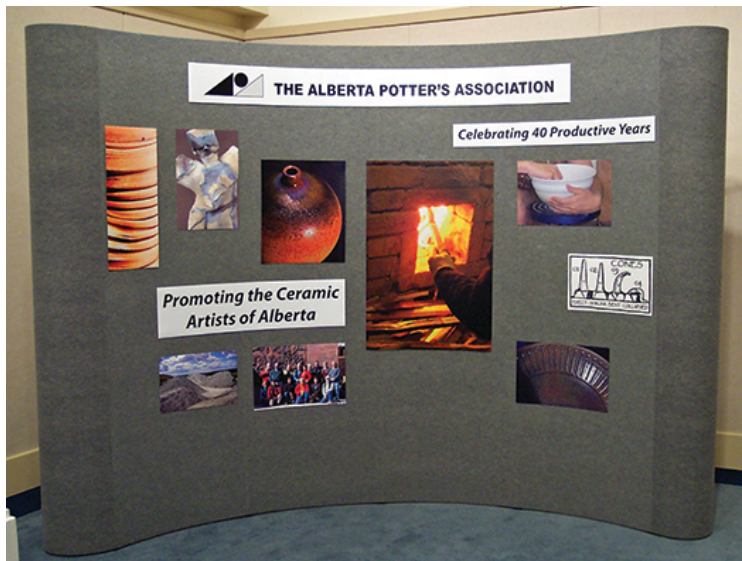
Executive, 2005-06: President: Alan Knowles (acting); Vice President: Engine Kufeld; Secretary: Craig Charlesworth; Treasurer: Tammy Parkes-Legge; Memberships: Larry McIntosh; Education: Alan Knowles, Tammy Parks-Legge; Exhibitions: vacant; Election Committee: Christian Barr; Newsletter: Enzien Kufeld; Directors: Auvery Reid, Joe Reid, Heather Fletcher.

AGM: Plainsman, May 28, Edmonton. Christian Barr, President.

Outreach: 2 workshops in province.

### 2006-2008, Medicine Hat term

#### 2006 (Watershed year!)



Executive, 2006-07: President: Jim Marshall; Vice President: Harry Fix; Secretary: Sharon Aaltonen; Treasurer: Allan Jenson; Memberships: Sharon Aaltonen; Exhibits/Workshops: Les Manning; Newsletter: Sharon Aaltonen; Director: Heather Fletcher.

AGM: Disband or Regroup?

APA applies to surrender certificate of incorporation to Societies Act and Charitable Organisation number (letter dates February 25 for a dissolution of APA before April 1, 2006). AGM: April 1, Antique Room, City Arts Centre presents resolution to dissolve. To

continue APA a quorum is required and membership required to form new board of directors, proxy

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2006 AGM at Red Deer College and Cone Box show

proposal to scale back the fees, activities and newsletter and get back to “grass roots” managing. They introduce saving costs by using the internet to provide information. Rely on and encourage regional APA activities, gather together at the AGM’s. To cut back on burnout, rotate the executive and region every two years.

Workshop: Wally Asselburg, Belgium, “Naked Raku”, Mount Pleasant Arts Centre, October.

### 2007



2007 AB/BC Show held at Medalta, Comox and Vancouver

Heritage Centre and around the Province until 2010.

vote forms sent out. Proposal to disband the APA. Edmonton Executives overworked, burnt out. Funding reduced and not a lot of members interested.

Jim Marshall rallies the troops and a committee from Medicine Hat makes a bid to keep APA active. Jim Marshall, Les Manning and Sharon Aaltonen participate in AGM, get voted in as new executive and a new proposal to scale back the fees, activities and newsletter and get back to “grass roots” managing.

AGM: Date: Saturday June 10-11  
2006, Medalta Meeting Room. New

Executive, 2007-08: President: Jim Marshall; Vice President: Harry Fix; Secretary: Sharon Aaltonen; Treasurer: Allan Jenson; Memberships: Sharon Aaltonen; Exhibits/Workshops: Les Manning; Newsletter: Sharon Aaltonen; Director: Heather Fletcher.

AGM: Mini Conference and AGM held at Red Deer College.

Exhibition: 40th Anniversary Cone Box Travelling Show, juror: Les Manning. Organised by Elaine Harrison and Louise Cormier. Venues: Medicine Hat Arts and



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AB/BC Show and exchange with BC Potters at Granville Island and Comox.

Projects/Events: *Jim Marshall wrote: '2006 Medicine Hat executive, 40th Anniversary Cone Box Travelling Show at the Medicine Hat Esplanade Arts and Heritage Centre, which travels until 2010! APA portable display booth is introduced at this show. A personal photo booth is designed and demonstrated in a workshop held at the AGM which was held between the newly renovated Medalta Museum and the College with participants, a ceramic show, a pancake breakfast and a new Red Deer Executive.'*

### 2008-2010, Red Deer term.

#### 2008

Executive, 2008-09: President: Brian McArthur; Vice President: Dawn Detarando; Secretary: Lara Holowenko; Treasurer: Anna Rasmussen; Memberships: Anna Rasmussen; Exhibits/Workshops: McArthur/Detarando; Newsletter: Dawn Detarando; Director: vacant.

AGM: May 31, 2008, Medicine Hat Cultural Centre.

Exhibition: 40th Anniversary Cone Box Show, Cultural Centre Gallery. Travels until 2010.

Red Deer Executive, APA participates in the Works Art and Design Festival with a booth selling members' work for 14 days.

#### 2009



Elaine Harrison, Aleithia Ward and Verna Allison at AGM,

Executive, 2009-2010: President: Brian McArthur; Vice President: Dawn Detarando; Secretary: Lara Holowenko; Treasurer: Anna Rasmussen; Memberships: Anna Rasmussen; Exhibits/Workshops: McArthur/Detarando; Newsletter: Dawn Detarando; Director: vacant.

AGM: Red Deer Recreation and Culture Centre. 1st Red Deer AGM held at City of Red Deer Recreation Centre and Culture Centre with guest demonstrators Martin Tagseth (Saskatchewan) and Mariko Paterson. Monika Smith made a presentation on NCECA.

APA provides funding to regional shows and workshops.

Workshop: A weeklong wood fire workshop at the RDC with Martin Tagseth preceded the AGM and was attended by 12 members.

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The Red Deer AGM is started a week ahead with a hand building workshop with Rob Froese attended by 12 members, website live at meeting, plate exchange, workshops at Red Deer College with Jack Sures, Cara Driscoll and Rob Froese.

### **2010-2012, Lethbridge term.**

#### **2010**

Executive, 2010-2011: President: Elaine Harrison; Vice President: Louise Cormier; Secretary: Heather MacDonald-Soročan; Treasurer: Karen Dormaar; Memberships: vacant; Exhibits/Workshops: vacant; Newsletter: vacant; Director: vacant.

AGM: Lethbridge, Japanese theme. May 25-26. Bowman Art Center:

Demonstrations: Bruce Cochrane "Process, form, surface, content"; Koi Neng Liew (sculpture); Xanthe Isbister (sculpture); Connie Pike (Brushwork on pots); Brenda Danbrook.

Japanese rice bowl exchange. Three-piece mould making demo; Japanese Calligraphy and Brush Making demo. Membership at 111.

Community Outreach: Managed to create a list of all guilds in province.

#### **2011**

Board, 2011-12: President: Elaine Harrison; Vice President: Louise Cormier; Secretary: Heather MacDonald-Soročan; Treasurer: Karen Dormaar; Memberships: vacant; Exhibits/Workshops: vacant; Newsletter: vacant; Director: vacant.

AGM May 28 (MEDIEVAL Theme) Lethbridge Bowman Art Centre.

Demonstrations: Tanis Saxby (Vancouver).

Alberta in a Box, Wide Open, exchange with BC potters.

### **2012-2014, Calgary Term**

#### **2012**

Board, 2012-13: President: Monika Smith; Vice President: Connie Cooper; Secretary: John Robertson; Treasurer: Krista Gowland; Memberships: Kathy Ransom; Website: Connie Pike; Director: Carly Slade.

AGM Lethbridge.

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### **2013**

Board, 2013-2014: President: Monika Smith; Vice President: Connie Cooper; Secretary: John Robertson; Treasurer: Krista Gowland; Memberships: Kathy Ransom; Website: Connie Pike; Director: Carly Slade.

AGM: May 10-13, 2013, Calgary. Hosted the conference "Off Centre." Distinguished speakers and workshop leaders included: Greg Payce, Don Thompson, Ed Bamiling, Steven Grimmer, Dawn Detarando and Brian McArthur, Barry Morrison. The Alberta Craft Council hosted a panel discussion. ACAD presented the upcoming MFA program in craft.

Exhibition: Juried show at Webster Galleries with artist reception May 10, (May 3-May 25) and hosted by ACAD. Committee Chair, Connie Cooper. Well over 100 people attended. Cup exchange and Silent Auction were held and helped fundraise.

ACAD ceramic students provided volunteer assistance. Katrina Chaytor was liaison for ACAD and provided assistance in the development of the conference.

A Province-wide survey was conducted with 121 participants. Tobla Howell was hired to develop the survey and report.

Decision made to keep the APA Board in Calgary instead of rotating it to a new location in an effort to maintain its vision, funding options, cohesive planning.

First on-line Board meeting held in March.

Scholarship: The APA provided a \$500 scholarship to ACAD Ceramic's Department.

### **APA is centralised in Calgary**

### **2014**

Board, 2014-15: President: Monika Smith; Vice President: Connie Cooper; Secretary: Darlene Swan; Treasurer: Krista Gowland; Memberships: Kathy Ransom; Website: Connie Pike; Director: Greg McRitchie. Greg Ritchie appointed interim president, August.

'Urban Wild' group exhibition, Alberta Craft Council, Edmonton. This Show was carried forward from a Calgary Clay Arts Show held in Calgary in 2011.

AGM: June 7, 2014. Ceramics Canada. Workshops: Tony Hanson presenter for a glaze workshop.

Empty Bowls (Airdrie Food Bank initiative) held June 21, 2014.

### **2015**

Board, 2015-2016: President: Mynthia McDaniel; Vice President: Ashleigh Frykling; Treasurer: Giselle Peters; Membership: Rylee Petkau, Secretary: Darlene Swan; Directors: Kathy Ransom; Connie Pike; Trish Lansdell-Denholm; Theresa Wyss; Nick Newton.

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AGM: Airdrie Food Bank, new board.

### **2016**

Board, 2016-17: President: Mynthia McDaniel, Vice President: vacant, Treasurer: Giselle Peters, Secretary: Darlene Swan, Directors: Rylee Petkau, Millarville Market; Cara Carter, website; Newsletter, Kellsey Ronaghan, Connie Pike, Trish Lansdell-Denholm, Kirsty Wilson.

AGM June 18, 2016: Leighton Centre, near Calgary, AB.

The meeting includes a potluck lunch, a demonstration by Sarah Pike and mug exchange.

First Annual APA Potters' Retreat – Salt and Soda Firing Workshop, Medalta, Medicine Hat, Oct, 12-16, 2016.

Exhibition: "Explorations," October 3-14, 2016, Calgary Public Library, Central location.

APA website adds a portfolio category for members who wish to publicize their work.

### **2017**

Board, 2017-18: President and past President: Mynthia McDaniel, Secretary: Darlene Swan, Treasurer (?), replacement, Diane Hove; Membership Director: Rylee Petkau, Newsletter: Kellsey Ronaghan, Directors: Connie Pike, Kirsty Wilson, Joe Martin, Cara Carter, Greg McRitchie.

Replacements required for the positions of President and Treasurer from June-December as the President and Treasurer resigned. Diane Hove has offered to be Treasurer and President's position was shared by all the board.

AGM: Arts Place, Canmore. Full day demonstrations by Andrew Tarrant, pot luck, mug exchange and display of members work.

APA participates in the Millarville Market, summer.

Grant: A \$100 grant is approved for NCECA participation. Recipient: Monika Smith

Workshop: September retreat: Woodfire at Robin Dupont's Studio near Nelson, BC.

Sales: Millarville Market for summer and Christmas Farmers market a great success.

### **2018**

Board, 2018-19: President: Greg McRitchie, Vice President: Erin Freed; Secretary: Kellsey Ronaghan; Treasurer: Genevieve Goodhart; Directors: Cara Carter, website; Millarville Market: Louise Brud, Connie Cooper, Carmen Belanger.

AGM: Held at Artpoint, Calgary with Mindy Andrews presenting.

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Empty Bowls: We participated in Airdrie's 'Empty Bowls' again this year marking 10 years of participation, including those of the Calgary Clay Art Association.

### **2019**

Board, 2019-20: President: Erin Freed; Vice President: Louise Brud (coffee & ceramics); Secretary: vacant, Erin filling in; Treasurer/Membership: Genevieve Goodhart; Directors: Connie Cooper, 2020 show; Gillian Boone, social media/website; Louise Cormier, newsletter/history; Rylee Petkau, Millarville sales. Past President: Greg McRitchie.

AGM: Madden Community Centre, June 8. Guest presenter: Lisa McGrath.

Coffee and Ceramics; Louise Brud created a social meeting group with several events held to date. These Calgary gatherings are open to all potters with the intent to create connections within the ceramic community.

Grant: \$500 grant to RDC student.

Workshops: Dawn Candy in High River, Pike Studios.

Sale: Held at Bridgeland Community Centre.

### **2020**

Board, 2020-21: President: Erin Freed; Vice President: Gillian Boone; Secretary: Shannon MacNaughton; Treasurer: Genevieve Goodhart; Website, Gillian Boone; Directors: Connie Cooper, 2020 show coordinator/history; Louise Cormier, newsletter/history, Louise Brud, Bob Acton, Monika Smith.

AGM: Online, no presenter due to COVID-19.

Grant: \$500.00 grant to AUoA

Exhibition: 20/20 Show, 'Celebrating 50 Years', Roberto Ostberg Gallery postponed until September 25, 2020.

Workshops including Trudy Golley; Naomi Clement held at Old Man River Potters Guild, Lethbridge, were cancelled/postponed due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Coffee & Ceramics held at an outside venue.





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