



July 2023

CMAG Members: Shelley Durica-Laiche, Tyler Haas, Valerie Grahan

# IMPORTANT DATES

**7/18, 7pm**July CMAG Meeting

**8/15, 7pm**August CMAG Potluck and Swap Meet

**9/19, 7pm**September CMAG Meeting

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# July Presentation: Shelley Durica-Laiche

Our July presenter is Shelly Durica-Laiche of Indio Metal Arts.

Shelly will share how she began her journey as an artist, her process of creating and how Frogwood was a transformative experience.

This Oregon native is a freelance artist working full time in the Portland area for the last 11 years.

She is the recipient of the CMAG scholarship to attend the artist collaborative, Frogwood in May. This weeklong immersion joined nearly 60 artists to create artworks using a multitude of mediums.



Shelly creates decorative and functional metal art from reclaimed materials. Her main tools are a MIG welder and oxy-acetylene torch.

She also uses cold connections to incorporate non ferrous metals as well as other mixed media such as rocks, beads and ceramics.

You may have seen her work during Portland Open Studios, Modern Home Tour or Association of Landscape Designers Tour. Her public work has exhibited at Milwaukie City Hall Sculpture Garden, Oregon Society of Artists and Happy Valley Sculpture Garden. She has a piece in the permanent collection of the Wonder Garden at the Hoffman Center for the Arts. Some of her gallery exhibitions include the Sherwood Center for the Arts and Alberta Street Gallery. She is currently showing at Dragonfire Gallery, Side Street Arts and the Rain Spark Gallery.

She is a current member of the Pacific Northwest Sculptors Group as well as CMAG

# Letter from the President

Hi Everyone,

Thank you for electing me to the position of President!

This feels like an exciting time for CMAG. Thanks to the efforts of Madeleine, our past President, and the dedication of the Executive Board, we survived the "pandemic years" and have come back with two good Spring Shows, a growing membership, increased meeting attendance, an interesting and useful slate of meeting programs, an upcoming workshop from a nationally recognized instructor, and great ideas for future classes and affordable skill acquisition.

All of this comes from members that are willing to get involved to help create and facilitate the things that I've just mentioned. This Guild is full of energy and talent and what you don't know you can learn from others who always seem willing to share. This is your Guild and it will be what you make it! So, the excuse of, "I don't have enough experience..." is rarely an obstacle to getting involved or taking on a new committee or role in CMAG. It is really an opportunity to gain the experience in a unique and supportive community of people with shared interests.

I have goals for my time as your president. I want to see CMAG continue to grow in membership. I would like to see members be open to mentoring others whenever possible. I want to utilize the talents and skills within the guild to create more education and skill sharing opportunities. I want to see the Spring Show success grow by emphasizing CMAG's identity in our PR and advertising. And I want to encourage everyone to consider getting involved in some way to help this Guild continue to be vital and valuable to all its members.

Always feel free to share your ideas and questions at our meetings. Members are always welcome at the Board meetings, as well.

To the future of CMAG, Mary Wong



# **August Annual Swap Meet and Potluck**



Next month we'll have our annual potluck and swap meet at the Multnomah Arts Center! Please bring a dish to share, your favorite snack, or chocolate is always a good choice. What has been collecting dust in your shop? Is something taking up space you would rather put to better use? Is there a treasure you would love to pass on to a deserving soul? This is your grand opportunity to clean house and become a hero at the same time! Bring in anything large or small to sell or give away. This includes hand tools, gems and metals, machinery, and consumables like solder and flux. If you'd like to sell something too large to bring in, you can bring a picture of it. Make sure to bring cash, check or PayPal or Venmo links.

CMAG Election Results		
Executive Board	2022	2023
President	former/Madeleine Moore	Mary Wong
Vice President		Madeleine Moore
Treasurer	Barbara Covey	Barbara Covey
Secretary	Anne Johnson	Anne Johnson
General Board & Staff	Current Member	Member Elect
Board Member-at-Large	Mary Wong	Thomas Tietze
Education Chair	Madeleine Moore	Madeleine Moore
Website Manager	Madeleine Moore	Madeleine Moore
Librarian	Kristin Fudalla	Kristin Fudalla
Communications Chair	Madeleine Moore	Madeleine Moore
Social Media Chair	Catherine Chandler	Catherine Chandler
Public Relations Chair	Catherine Chandler	Catherine Chandler
Guild Community Development Chair		
Spring Show Chair	Tai Vautier	Tai Vautier
Programming Chair	Madeleine Moore	Madeleine Moore
Refreshments Chair	Barbara Covey	Zak Pearson
Newsletter Editor	Jen McCaw	Susan Mitchell
Membership Chair	Carli Schultz	Carli Schultz
Registrar	Madeleine Moore	Francesca Kennedy
Event Setup/Shutdown		Zak Pearson

# NinetyTwenty Studios

Please visit https://www.ninetytwentystudios.com for more information and to register.



Ninety Twenty Studios has a studio space available, 280 square feet, \$618 per month, \$300 security deposit. It is a lovely space with a newly installed floor, freshly painted, and one wall is all windows. Building includes a total of 9 studio spaces, full kitchen, 2 rest rooms, large outdoor yard, parking lot, and keyless entry to the main building. No welding or heavy metal construction. Available July 15.

If you are interested or if you could pass on the information, that would be great. Thank you!

# **Upcoming Shows and Application Deadlines**

# Washington:

#### In and Around Portland Metro:

No open upcoming events posted

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#### Oregon:

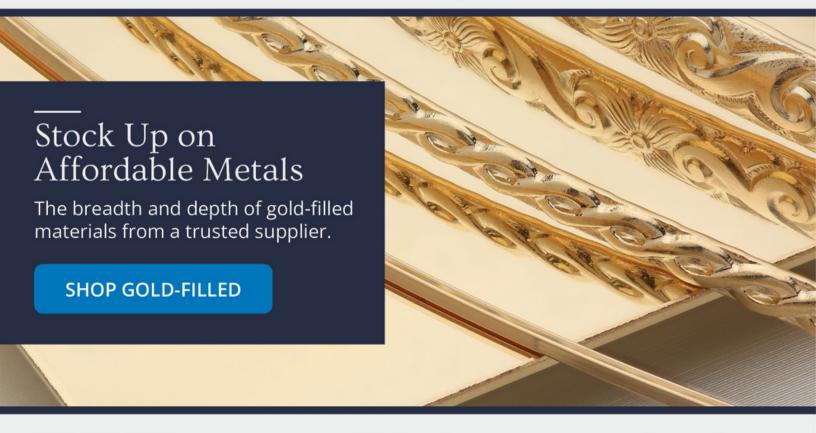
Bend Fall Festival Event Dates: 9/30 - 10/2/23 Bend, Oregon Deadline 8/15/23

Charbonneau Festival of the Arts Event Dates: 9/22/23 - 9/24/23

Wilsonville, Oregon Deadline: 8/10/23

For for information and to apply for shows, please visit **zapplication.org** 





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# CMAG Board & Staff 2023

#### **Executive Board:**

President: Mary Wong Treasurer: Barbara Covey

Vice President: Madeleine Moore

Secretary: Anne Johnson

### **General Board & Staff:**

Member-At-Large: Thomas Tietze

Education: Madeleine Moore

Communications: Madeleine Moore Social Media: Catherine Chandler

Web Site: Madeleine Moore Spring Show: Tai Vautier

Programming: Madeleine Moore

Librarian: Kristin Fudalla Refreshments: Zak Pearson

Newsletter Editor: Susan Mitchell Membership Chair: Carli Schultz Public Relations: Catherine Chandler

Registrar: Francesca Kennedy

# **GUILD BUSINESS**

# **GENERAL MEETING (MONTHLY)**

When: General CMAG member meetings are held the third

Tuesday of each month.

Meetings begin at 7:00 pm, and adjourn by 9:15

Where: Multnomah Arts Center

What: Meetings consist of general business followed by a program which may be a demonstration of a technique or tool, a slide presentation, a panel discussion, or other presentation of interest to CMAG members.

Who: Meetings are open to CMAG members and their guests

#### **BOARD MEETING**

Board meetings are held prior to the General Meeting at 6:00 pm. Members are encouraged to attend and contribute.

# **CONTACT INFO**

Creative Metal Arts Guild (CMAG) PO Box 8946, Portland, OR 97207

Email: cmag@cmaguild.org

Web: cmaguild.org

# NEWSLETTER ITEMS WANTED

We're looking for news about you and from you! Virtual trunk shows, tools you can't live without, books you love, online workshops or webinars you've attended or upcoming classes you recommend. And photos of new work you'd like to show fellow CMAG members. Include body text in an email with any links, and attach photos (ideally jpeg format) where available.

Submit to: cmag@cmaguild.org

Deadline: 2nd Monday of every month

# WAYS TO PROMOTE CMAG, CMAG MEMBERS & EVENTS

#### **GENERAL**:

Talk us up among your artist friends - invite them to a Third Tuesday meeting! Update your membership page on the website with photos, especially! Like our public Facebook page and Like, Comment on and Share announcements on your own page and on groups you think would appreciate them

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Follow us on Instagram, like our posts and tag us @creativemetalartsguild in your own appropriate posts

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