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INTRODUCING A NEW COMMUNITY CLAY ARTS CENTER

- Whidbey Clay Center LAUNCH PARTY is Saturday, November 26th from 11-5pm
- Tour the expanded studio space
- Shop the new gallery
- Sign up for pottery classes
- Learn about membership

Whidbey Clay Center would like to invite the community to help us celebrate the opening of our new studio and gallery space at our LAUNCH PARTY on November 26th from 11-5pm. Whidbey Clay Center is located at 1664 Main Street in Freeland, Washington. Guests may tour our expanded studio space, shop the gallery, sign up for pottery classes, and learn more about membership.

Whidbey Clay Center has operated in Freeland since 2019. Since that time studio membership has steadily grown from about 15 individuals to 40. Owner Cara Jung says, "We have been operating at capacity for about a year now. This new studio expansion will triple our footprint and allow us to better serve our members and community."

Whidbey Clay Center offers several different avenues for individuals to become involved in the clay community. It is primarily a membership studio that operates much like an exercise gym. Individuals that are comfortable working independently can join as members and utilize shared equipment, glazes, and in-house firing services to make their ceramic artwork. Members can also choose to partake in special firings, workshops and sales.

Whidbey Clay Center also offers ongoing wheel throwing and handbuilding classes for students of all ages and skill levels. Jung says, "More space will allow us to offer a larger number and variety of classes. If you've never taken a pottery class or want to get back into the practice, now is a great time to start." Membership is not required to register for classes and can be done on the website www.whidbeyclaycenter.com. Spots are still available for a few classes starting in November. The bulk of new classes will begin in the New Year.

The new studio expansion has also allowed for the addition of a small gallery that will feature artwork made by members and other Whidbey Island artists. After November 26th the gallery will be open daily or by appointment (206-550-5932).

Cara Jung holds an MFA in Ceramics and has been a working ceramic artist for over 20 years. Cara and family moved to Whidbey Island four years ago and now call the Island home. Her husband, Dr. Robert Jung is a partner at South Whidbey Animal Clinic in Clinton. Cara and Rob have three children attending South Whidbey Schools.

Whidbey Clay Center- building community through clay.