

# 2023 Dam Retreat

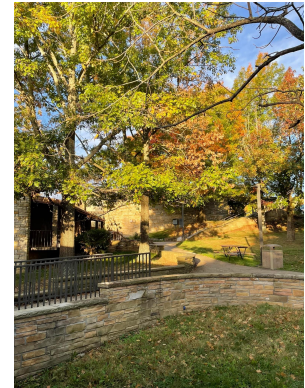
Our Guest Artist: **Linda Leach**



And the dessert artist:  
**Helen Cruickshank**

**DATE: OCTOBER 25-29, 2023**

**PLACE: THE ROUGH RIVER DAM STATE PARK RESORT  
450 LODGE ROAD  
FALLS OF ROUGH, KENTUCKY 40119  
270-257-2311**



WHEN YOU MAKE A RESERVATION FOR EITHER A LODGE ROOM OR A CABIN CALL THE FRONT DESK INSTEAD OF USING THE 800 NUMBER. TELL THE RECEPTIONIST THAT YOU WILL BE ATTENDING THE POLYMER CLAY RETREAT IN ORDER TO RECEIVE THE SPECIAL RATE. DON'T DELAY. LAST YEAR THEY RAN OUT OF LODGE ROOMS.

OTHER OPTION FOR LODGING IS **THE ST. CLAIR MOTOR LODGE** WHICH IS A MILE AWAY FROM THE RESORT. 270-296-1610.  
[WWW.JILL@STCLAIRMOTORLODGE.COM](mailto:JILL@STCLAIRMOTORLODGE.COM)

**FEE: \$150**

WRITE YOUR CHECK FOR THE ENTIRE AMOUNT PAYABLE TO **RON LEHOCKY.**

SEND TO **1763 CASSSELBERRY RD. LOUISVILLE, KENTUCKY 40205**

AFTER I RECEIVE YOUR CHECK YOU WILL BE INVITED TO JOIN THE PRIVATE FB GROUP **DAM RETREAT 2023**. WE WILL USE THAT SITE TO COMMUNICATE AND POST FURTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

## RETREAT SCHEDULE

LINDA LEECH WILL TEACH STARTING THURSDAY MORNING AND CONTINUE THROUGH SATURDAY AFTERNOON.

HELEN CRUICKSHANK WILL OFFER "DESSERT" AFTER DINNER ON THURSDAY, FRIDAY AND SATURDAY.

WEDNESDAY IS A FREE DAY FOR SETTING UP YOUR STATION. THE ROOM WILL BE AVAILABLE AFTER 10AM. THE ROOM IS OPEN FOR THE ENTIRE EVENT SO YOU CAN STAY AS LATE AS YOU WANT AND ARRIVE AS EARLY AS YOU CAN.

WE WELCOME DEMOS FROM THE ATTENDEES. IF YOU HAVE A NEW IDEA OR TECHNIQUE OR DISCOVERED A NEW TOOL AND WANT TO SHARE THERE WILL BE TIME ON WEDNESDAY AND THROUGHOUT THE SUBSEQUENT DAYS TO SHARE.

## OPTIONAL ACTIVITIES

BROWN BAG EXCHANGE: ITEM MUST BE SOMETHING YOU MADE

INCHIE EXCHANGE: YOU HAVE THE OPTION OF MAKING ONLY ONE FOR THE MIRROR WHICH WILL BE RAFFLED OFF ON SUNDAY OR MAKE ENOUGH TO ALSO EXCHANGE WITH OTHER 56 ATTENDEES.

THEME: **ANYTHING YOU DAM WELL PLEASE**

LEFT-RIGHT-CENTER: YOU WILL NEED 6 "CHIPS" TO PLAY

RAFFLE: THIS OCCURS ON SUNDAY MORNING. WE WELCOME DONATIONS TO THE RAFFLE. THE BIG RAFFLE ITEM WILL BE THE MIRROR.

"DESTASH" TABLE: IF YOU HAVE STUFF YOU NO LONGER WANT YOU CAN EITHER GIVE IT AWAY OR SELL IT.

SNACK TABLE: PLEASE BRING SNACKS TO SHARE



ALL ATTENDEES AND GUEST ARTISTS ARE ENCOURAGED TO BRING THEIR WORK TO SELL.

## RULES OF ENGAGEMENT

YOU MUST PROMISE TO HAVE A GOOD TIME, INSPIRE AND BE INSPIRED, SHARE WITH OTHERS, LEAD WITH KINDNESS AND LEAVE YOUR STRESSES AT HOME. THIS IS AN OPPORTUNITY FOR USE TO CREATE AND RECREATE.

NO MOTORS IN THE WORK ROOM (THERE WILL BE A DREAM MACHINE WITH A MOTOR AVAILABLE IN THE FOYER FOR EVERYONE TO USE. THERE WILL ALSO BE A BUFFER, HEAT GUN AND MISCELLANEOUS SUPPLIES TO SHARE IN THE FOYER)

WE ENCOURAGE OURSELVES TO HANDLE ADULT BEVERAGES DISCRETELY. THERE IS A PARK WARDEN WHO CHECKS FOR ALCOHOL IN THE OPEN SO WE HAVE A "SPEAKEASY" IN WHICH WE KEEP/HIDE OUR POTABLES TO SHARE WITH THE GROUP.

COFFEE AND WATER WILL BE IN THE WORK ROOM. DESSERTS WILL BE PROVIDED ON THURSDAY FRIDAY AND SATURDAY. WE HAVE A HUGE SUPPLY OF ICE.

THERE IS A DINING ROOM IN THE LODGE AND A FEW RESTAURANTS NEAR BY.



## GUEST ARTIST LINDA LEACH

LINDA IS AN ACCOMPLISHED POLYMER ARTIST FROM CAMDEN, MAINE. SHE HAS BEEN INVOLVED WITH

POLYMER FOR DECADES. SHE WOWED US AT THE 2022 DAM RETREAT WITH HER DEMO OF

REPRODUCING CLOISONNÉ IN POLYMER AND THE BEAUTIFUL ARRAY OF ITEMS SHE MADE. IT WAS

UNANIMOUS THAT SHE BE THE GUEST ARTIST THIS YEAR. LINDA IS AN INNOVATOR AND A FANTASTIC

TEACHER. SHE PLANS TO TEACH US HOW TO MAKE QUILT BLOCKS, BOXES AND FLORAL BROOCHES.



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## DESSERT ARTIST HELEN CRUICKSHANK

HELEN IS A FULL TIME  
OCCUPATIONAL THERAPISTS  
IN ESSEX, ENGLAND AS WELL  
AS A POLYMER ARTIST. SHE HAS A  
WONDERFUL WHIMSY ABOUT HER  
WORK. SHE HAS PUBLISHED TWO  
BOOKS ON POLYMER CLAY. SHE  
LOVES CATS, DOGS AND HORSES  
BUT NOT AS MUCH AS SHE ADORES HER

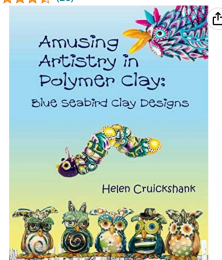


GRANDSON TOBY. TOBY IS HER MUSE  
FOR CREATING WHIMSICAL  
CHARACTERS FOR HER BOOKS. HELEN  
WILL PROVIDE A SCRUMPTIOUS  
DESSERT FOR US.

Helen Cruickshank  
Polymer Clay for all Seasons: Blue Seabird  
Clay Designs  
★★★★★ (7)



Helen Cruickshank  
Amusing Artistry with Polymer Clay: Blue  
Seabird Clay Designs  
★★★★★ (26)



LOOKS LIKE ANOTHER DAM-STATIC TIME IN  
STORE FOR US.

RON AND AMY

