

Santa Cruz Mountains Art Center
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APPRECIATION FOR "FILLING BOWLS"

November 14, 2011

Loaves & Fishes Executive Director Margarita Cortez and event coordinator Lin Colavin, presented an Award of Appreciation to the Santa Cruz Mountains Art Center Board on Monday evening, November 14.

Margarita expressed her sincere appreciation for the Art Center's donation of 60 beautiful bowls to help Loaves & Fishes "Empty Bowls" fundraising efforts. She shared her belief in the value of volunteers and collaborations within our community, noting that over the past few years, Loaves & Fishes has distributed over 300,000 pounds of food to feed the hungry in our community. Their "Empty Bowls" event this year raised almost \$30K to help them continue their efforts.



Happy we can all fill bowls to feed hungry people in our community.
Loaves & Fishes Executive Director, Margarita Cortez (above, center) & Event Coordinator Lin Colavin (right) presented an Award of Appreciation to the Santa Cruz Mountains Art Center Board Chair Shahn Spratt (left) and Ceramics Committee Co-Chair Stephanie Triolo (bottom)

Paying it forward: The raw clay for the Art Center's Ceram-A-Rama event was donated by Phoenix Ceramics owner Kevin Wahl. He has supported our annual event for the last 10 years, with donations of tools, clay and talent. Local potters participating in the event created 100 bowls on the potter's wheel using the donated clay. The Art Center's Ceramics Committee trimmed, glazed and fired the bowls, choosing the best 60 to donate to Loaves & Fishes "Empty Bowls" fundraising event.



Table of bowls (top left), Single bowl – (top right).

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In 1987, the Santa Cruz Mountains Art Center began as a committee of the Cultural Council of Santa Cruz County. In November of 1997, the organization became its own non-profit corporation registered with Federal and State governments.

The Center is governed by an eleven member Board of Directors elected by the members of the organization. Anyone evincing a genuine interest in or willingness to contribute time and effort towards furthering the primary purpose of the corporation is eligible for membership.

“The Santa Cruz Mountains Arts Center supports and encourages the arts through education, exhibition and cultural activities, reflecting the unique and diverse environment of the mountain communities.”