



Dear Friend,

What do you do to reassure yourself during these unparalleled times? Has your kitchen turned into a makeshift art studio? Do you brew warm tea in your favorite handmade ceramic mug or arrange flowers in a beautiful ceramic vase? Maybe you bake comfort food in a ceramic casserole dish? The arts have the power to uplift spirits and provide a voice for change during times of uncertainty.

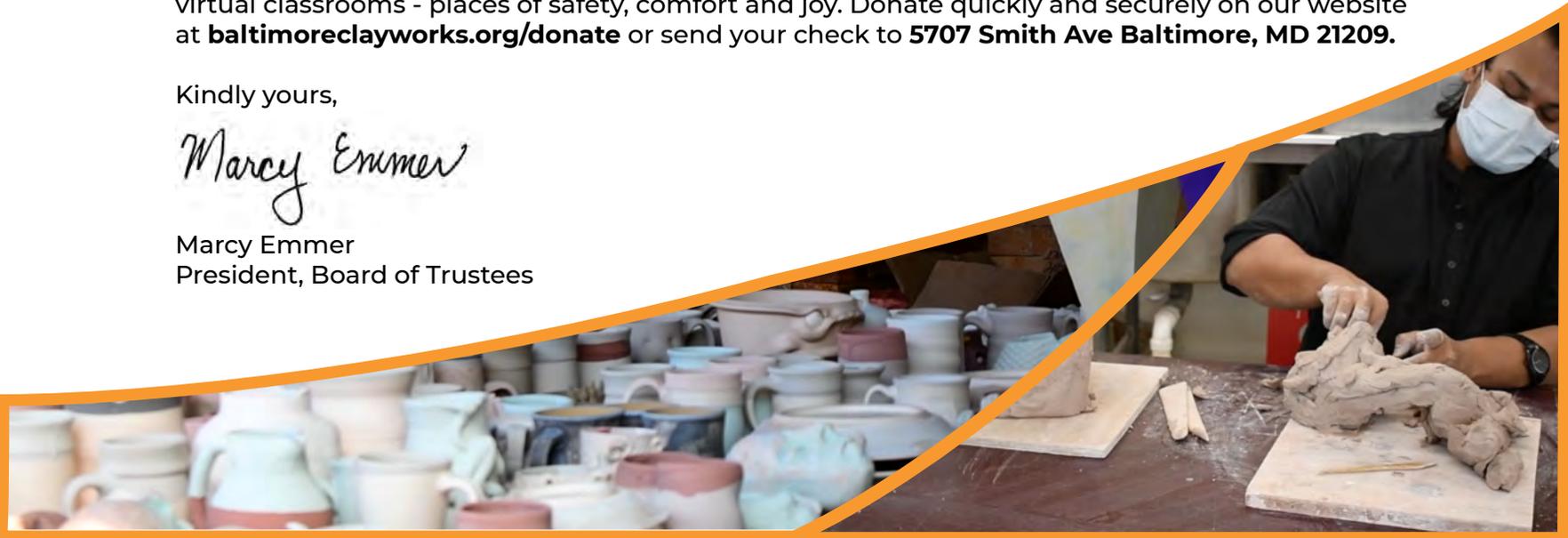
While 2020 has brought unforeseen challenges, it has presented new ways for Baltimore Clayworks to connect with our community and expand our reach:

- We hosted virtual summer camps, impacting nearly 100 children ages 6-15.
- Baltimore Clayworks is bringing artists together from around the globe with virtual classes, discussions and workshops.
- Our staff continues to coordinate contactless firings and potter's wheel rentals for students and community members.
- In-person classes are running at 50% capacity to ensure the safety of our students and teachers.
- The Community Arts team has distributed hundreds of art kits to partnering organizations, and managed a collaborative program with Park Heights Renaissance and YouthWorks to beautify Shirley Avenue Park with a mosaic.
- The Annual Seconds Sale became the Mystery Box Sale (*still available online*).
- Lormina Salter fellow Samantha Briegel created a solo exhibition called *Maintaining Comfort*, reflecting the objects which brought her relaxation and relief in the face of a global pandemic.
- Baltimore Clayworks was fortunate to host *The Wind of Change: Contemporary Ceramics of Taiwan*, curated by Professor Ching Yuan Chang of Tainan National University of the Arts and made possible by generous support of the Taiwan Ministry of Culture.

Please help Baltimore Clayworks make a difference in the lives of others during this pandemic. Your contribution will ensure that we can continue to bring community-based programming to underserved communities, provide support for our resident artists and keep our studios - and virtual classrooms - places of safety, comfort and joy. Donate quickly and securely on our website at baltimoreclayworks.org/donate or send your check to **5707 Smith Ave Baltimore, MD 21209**.

Kindly yours,

Marcy Emmer
President, Board of Trustees





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