

Fundraiser Happenings

Soup Bowl Fundraiser and Ceramics Silent Auction is Back!

by Clay Artisans of Moab

We're finally back, earlier in the year than usual and in a new location with another great nonprofit partner. The **Clay Artisans of Moab (CLAM)** and the **Moab Valley Multicultural Center (MVMC)** are excited to be planning the **Fourth Soup Bowl Fundraiser and Ceramics Silent Auction, Friday, September 16, 2022 from 4:30 to 7:30 p.m.** We invite you to gather with CLAM and MVMC staff, volunteers, and friends to feast on delicious, locally made soups served in unique glazed pottery bowls made by CLAM artists. With each ticket sold and bowl filled, you help support MVMC, a vital, regional nonprofit, AND you get to take your soup bowl home!

If you've attended previous events, you know how special an evening it is for everyone and how much we all look forward to the next. Over the last two years it wasn't to be. All of us endured so many losses due to the pandemic during 2020 and 2021, and it put CLAM into hiding as we watched, waited, and wondered. We definitely missed offering this wonderful community event both years, but were also aware of the pressures on our beneficiaries, volunteers, and business donors with local economic struggles, not to mention the health risks. Now that we're out of the earliest uncertainties, having the event outside seems like a great opportunity, so planning for the Fourth Soup Bowl Fundraiser event for MVMC has begun.

If you haven't yet been, here's a little history. In our first three Soup Bowl events combined, we were able to raise a total of nearly \$24,000 for local nonprofits! During our First Soup Bowl Fundraiser back in 2017, we served soup to 240 people and provided more than \$6,000 for the Youth Garden Project summer camp scholarship fund. Immediately following, word got out in the community that the Soup Bowl Fundraiser felt "like old Moab" — a high compliment in our opinion! Our second event was even bigger with 350 people served and \$8,800 raised for the Seekhaven Family Crisis and Resource Center's food-related programs. Word *really* got around by 2019. Our Third Soup Bowl Fundraiser for the Moab Free Health Clinic (MFHC) sold out, and soup, breads, and desserts were served to over 400 people. With ticket and auction sales, we raised \$9,100 for MFHC's diabetes education and food voucher program.



Just a few of Moab's local potters descended on Desert Sun Ceramics (DSC) to make bowls for the event. Clockwise from top left: Liz Ford, owner of the community studio DSC, Zinzi Chamanifard, Joanne Savoie, Gee Wirt, and Emma Tueck.

Don't miss out this time. Get your tickets! You can pick from a wide variety of handmade bowls made by local potters; each one is made with love, and is beautifully one-of-a-kind. Along with all the great food and company, you can place your bids from 4:30 to 7:30 p.m. during the Ceramics Silent Auction, the only ALL CERAMICS auction in Moab. Anyone, ticket holders or passers-by, can stop by the MVMC yurt to bid on items, or Buy It Now and walk away with hand-made treasures.

Support the Moab Valley Multicultural Center at the Fourth Soup Bowl Fundraiser and Ceramics Silent Auction, Friday, September 16, 2022 from 4:30 to 7:30 p.m. Soup served from 5 to 7 p.m.

Location: Outside at the Moab Valley Cultural Center, 156 N. 100 W.

Tickets: \$25 (adults and teens 13+) and \$10 (children 5-12).

We strongly encourage you to purchase your tickets for this popular event in advance:



- **moabmc.org** – Online tickets include a credit card surcharge so 100% of the benefits will go to the MVMC.
- **MVMC office** – 156 N. 100 W., payable by cash, check, or credit card.
- **Day of the event** – Walk up sales available via cash, check, or credit card while supplies last.

Find announcements on Facebook – **moabmvmc** and **clayartmoab**.

Huge thanks to the **Moab Arts Council** for the 2020 grant to help us with the cost of clay and supplies, and for allowing CLAM to keep the funds to support the next event when it could happen.



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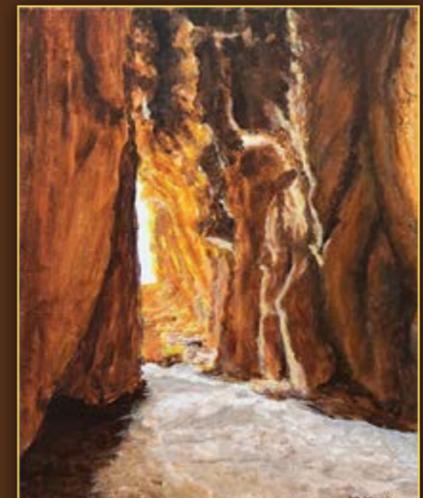
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