



2012 PMC Conference

## PRE-CONFERENCE WORKSHOP

### **Clasps and Findings in PMC** *Barbara Becker Simon*

One Day Workshop, June 20, 2012  
Cost per Student: **\$190.00**

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A custom-made clasp that co-ordinates with the rest of your carefully crafted PMC jewelry is icing on the cake and brings your work to another level. Learn to create various styles of clasps with metal clay and sterling silver wire. Some examples are: hook and eye clasp, toggle clasp, double C clasp, and button shanks. Students will learn to use pliers properly, how to manipulate wire and implant it in metal clay. Firing procedures and finishing techniques will also be covered. We will discuss the use of PMC Pro as a material suitable to function for findings. Students will learn to make and fire at least one type of clasp in this workshop and are encouraged to bring their clasp ideas and questions.

Class limit: 15 students.

#### **Tools and Materials Provided**

The instructor will provide all tools and equipment to complete the project with the exception of the tools and supplies brought by the students, listed below.

#### **Tools that Students Should Bring**

*Personal metal clay tool kit including:*

- Close-up eye wear, if needed
- Plastic or glass sheet for work surface
- Rolling pin (8" thick walled 1/2" PVC pipe)
- Spacers (playing cards, e.g.)
- Dixie cup water container
- X-Acto knife
- Wax working, ceramic, polymer clay or dental tools
- Needle tool
- Small paint brushes
- Drinking straws of various diameters
- Drill bits
- Burnisher
- Emery boards – fine, medium and coarse
- Sheet of 220 wet/dry emery paper
- Other abrasives (sponge pads, micro polishing papers, etc.)
- Olive oil or Badger Balm
- Carving tools (optional)
- Texture plates and texture materials (optional)
- Scissors
- Paper and pencil
- Ruler with inches and millimeter
- 2ft. each of 16 and 18 gauge round sterling wire
- Pillow for hard chair?
- 2 packs of 25 gr. PMC 3
- 1 jar PMC3 Slip (optional)
- Half-round #2 cut regular or needle file
- Chain nose pliers
- Flat nose pliers
- Round nose pliers
- Flush cutters