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## Local Small Company donates Pottery Wheels

(28th June 2019 Georgetown) Businesses are on track in Cayman when one small business donates to another.

Melanie McTaggart, owner and founder of FINdetail, a small accounting and business services firm, has done just that with the recent donation of three pottery wheels to Art Nest Creative Studio.

"I have always had a passion for Art and one of my favourites courses in University was a pottery class where I learned how to throw on a pottery wheel," the Qualified Accountant said, "I have been waiting for somewhere on island with access to wheels, to get back into practice since I've returned from University years ago, but I haven't been able to find any until recently when I spoke with Art Nest who have been eager to start pottery wheel classes again. I realised that instead of waiting for someone else to make wheels available, I could be the person who shared this amazing creative outlet with the community."

Art Nest creator Christina Pineda said "I am overjoyed and quite frankly floored by such a great donation for our studio. We have been trying to save up to purchase wheels but it is always a difficult thing budget-wise so we were delighted when Melanie approached us with this amazing idea. We are so excited to be able to offer more ways for people to connect to their creativity thanks to Melanie's generosity".

Ms McTaggart will be putting her pottery knowledge to good use by teaching small groups a beginner's workshop called "Wheel & Wine" where participants will learn how to centre clay on the wheel and make a small clay vessel. The first workshop is scheduled for Wednesday, July 24 at 7:00pm at Art Nest. There will be two people working at a wheel, so people are encouraged to register as a pair for \$55 each (UPDATE – This event is now sold out). The price includes light refreshments, instruction, two kiln firings and an additional session to paint the piece.

After the initial class in July, regular weekly Wheel & Wine Workshops will be held on Saturday at 7:00pm starting in August. The studio will also be introducing a Clay Club in August where people with some experience can use the wheels in an open studio setting on a weekly basis.

Please email: events@artnestcayman.com to register or call 345-949-0107.

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Photo: Melanie McTaggart of FINdetail with pottery wheels