



Pottery I/II

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NO PREVIOUS EXPERIENCE IS REQUIRED.

Instruction is based on the needs of each student.

- Introduces first time students to the pleasures of working with clay, and encourages more experienced students to hone their skills and develop a personal style
- Tools available. Bring your own tools if you have them.
- Wear old clothes or bring a coverall or apron.

Beginners:

- Hand-building: several techniques including pinch pots, slab, coil, joining, pulling handles, and finishing. Students have the choice to continue to develop hand building skills and techniques for the balance of the course.
- Wheel instruction includes centering, opening, thinning walls, differences in technique between cylinders, bowls, & plates, trimming, attaching handles, etc. Students will have plenty of opportunity to practice on the wheel up to and including week 6 of the course.
- Introduction to decorating and glazing techniques.

Intermediate and returning students:

- Individual instruction is student-driven based on expectations. Projects could include functional items such as teapots, casserole dishes, plates, vases, etc.
- Throughout the term a variety of surface decorating and finishing techniques will be introduced.