

Pottery on the Wheel

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Semester: SUMMER 2024, Afternoon Class

Days: Monday to Friday, July 8-19

Time: 2-4pm

Course Description:

Ready for the wheel? In this class, students will learn the basics of throwing pottery on the wheel, from centering, coning, and pulling walls to glazing their work. This class will teach the general safety of working with clay and ceramic glazes. Students will leave the class with their very own mugs and bowls!

What will you learn?

Students will learn the basics of throwing pottery on the wheel, from centering, coning, and pulling walls students will learn to make their own mugs and bowls!

Materials

Materials will be provided by the FAC.

Class Schedule:

Class 1: The first steps to pottery on the wheel are wedging and centering. We will focus on these two skills then how to properly clean up our wheels.

Class 2: It's all about height today. We're going to learn how to pull our walls to reach new heights.

Class 3: Mug day. We're going to take the skills we have learned to make our first mug.

Class 4: Handles day. We will learn how to pull handles today and work on making more mugs.

Class 5: We will learn to open forms to throw a bowl.

Class 6: This is a workday, but also when sculptural works can be added.

Class 7: Last day to play in clay, all trimming and handles will be completed on this day.



Class 8: Students will play with 3D forms this day using paper while our projects fire for their bisque load.

Class 9: Students will glaze this day.

Class 10: Students will review and critique their work and prepare for the parent exhibition at the end of class!