

Ceramic Handbuilding

Semester: Summer 2024

Days: Thursday, June 6 – August 1 (class will not meet July 4)

Times: 6:30-8:30 PM

Instructor Name: Tim Sullivan

Course Description

In this class, students will learn the basics of handbuilding. Students will learn to glaze their work as well as the general safety of working with clay and ceramic glazes. The class will learn to work with slips, glazes, and wax resist to create surface decorations, as well as reactions between different types of glazes.

What will you learn?

Within this course students will learn the foundations of ceramic handbuilding (scoring, slipping, and creating surface textures) using a variety of tools. Students will also learn about the reactions between the different types of glazes.

Materials

The following items are provided by the Firehouse Art Center through the materials fee:

- Clay
- Dip glazes

Class Schedule

First Class:

Students will begin with pinch pots, coils, scoring, and slipping coils to make pots.

Second Class:

Students will work with slabs to make plates.

Third Class:

Students will Students will work with slabs to make bowls.

Fourth Class:

Students will create boxes, covered/closed forms.

Fifth Class:

Students will learn to use decorative slips.

Sixth Class:

Work day – students will continue putting finishing touches on their work.



Seventh Class:

Glaze day – finishing project details.

Eighth Class:

Glaze and finish all student work.