

North Carolina Pottery Center in Seagrove, NC, Offers New Exhibits

The North Carolina Pottery Center in Seagrove, NC, will present several new exhibits including: *North Carolina Ceramic Gems*, on view from Jan. 22 through June 19, 2021, and *Raku: Spontaneity in the Flames*, on view from Jan. 22 through June 19, 2021.

Every day potters across North Carolina take clay and other natural resources, combine them using their knowledge, shape them into both simple and wonderful things using their artisan skills, and forge them using extreme heat (and sometimes flames) into a kaleidoscopic array of ceramic gems.

North Carolina has a large number of potters all making their own ceramic gems ranging from historical to utilitarian to more contemporary. This show, *Ceramic Gems*, focuses on the work of a dozen of those potters. You may already be familiar with some of the featured artists, others may be a bit less familiar and a little further off the beaten path, figuratively or literally, for you. Come explore their work with us.



Work by Terry Childress

Featured artists include: Stanley Mace Andersen, Alan Bennett, Marina Bosetti, Benjamin Burns, Terry Childress, Garry Childs, Becky Lloyd, Chris Luther, Dian Magie, Michael & Ruth Fisher Rutkowski, Brad Tucker, and Jim Whalen.

Most if not all of the pieces in this show will be available for purchase. Purchased pieces must remain in the show until the show's end date.

Raku pottery incorporates elements of knowledge, experience, excitement, unpredictability, and spontaneity, and is somewhat akin to a semi-controlled convergence of science, craft, art, and magic with a bit of chaos thrown in for good measure. Come see a colorful variety of Western-style work by a number of North Carolina's Raku potters from across the state, in the exhibit, *Raku: Spontaneity*



Work by Steven Forbes-deSoule

in the Flames, and learn more about the making of Raku.

Featured artists include: Edge Barnes, Steven Forbes-deSoule, David & Deborah Garner, Katherine Graham, Delores Hayes, Harry Hearne, Charlotte Munning, Phil Pollet, Colleen Black Semelka, Andy Smith, Courtney Tomchik, and Dan Triece.

All of the pieces in this show will be available for purchase. Purchased pieces must remain in the show until the show's end date.

The North Carolina Pottery Center is a dynamic and engaging place where people of all backgrounds, ages, and interests discover the beauty and the stories behind North Carolina's world-class clay culture. We are the first stop for visitors arriving in Seagrove and a place to which people will return to learn about North Carolina pottery. Visitors enjoy the beauty of our campus and are delighted by our interior spaces. We provide them with information about ceramic artists in the local area and throughout the state, and we are a gateway through which visitors enhance their appreciation of North Carolina's clay culture.

We tell these stories through excellent exhibitions and visual and participatory multimedia, as well as by providing experiential and educational opportunities. Our research and documentation focuses on the concepts and themes necessary to support our exhibitions and programming, thereby deepening our understanding of our state's clay culture. We are conscientious advocates for all of North Carolina's potters and North Carolina pottery in general.

For further information check our NC Institutional Gallery listings, call the Center at 336/873-8430 or visit (www.ncpotterycenter.org).

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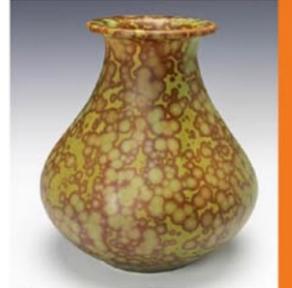
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Seagrove is a Community of Working Potters & home to the North Carolina Pottery Center

You're invited....

to visit the Seagrove potters at their workshops & studios nestled in the countryside.

Experience a diversity of pottery from contemporary, one-of-a-kind art pottery, to traditional utilitarian forms, & folk art

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