

2022-2023

William Land Afterschool Enrichment Programs

Kids' Pottery: Handbuilding (3rd-6th grades)

Wednesdays 3:00-4:15pm

Instructor: Katie Schiller-Tang at Jade Ceramics

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Class Description:

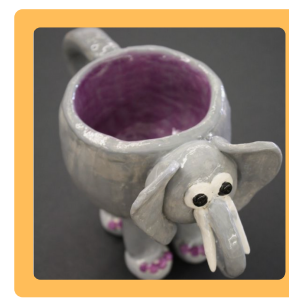
Students will explore making functional and decorative ceramics using coil, pinch, and slab handbuilding methods. Playing with clay is a multi-sensory experience, known to have therapeutic effects such as building motor skills and coordination, and expanding children's creativity and imagination.

Handbuilding pottery is generally a two-step process. Students will build with clay. The pieces then undergo a *bisque* fire. The following week, students will glaze (paint) and decorate the pieces, followed by a *glaze* fire to produce the final creation. Students will become familiar with the process and learn different techniques through trial and error.

The firing is done remotely at a kiln located at Jade Ceramics Studio. All the glazes are lead free and the final creations are food safe.

Materials and Fees:

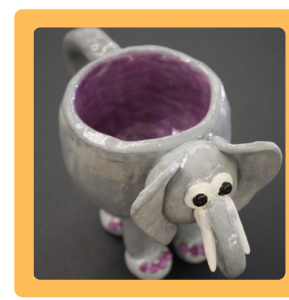
The fee for enrollment is \$200 dollars per student. It will cover clay, glaze, pottery tools, and the off-site firings for the entire academic year. Payments can be made via check, Venmo, or Zelle. If a student is very interested in the course but has financial concerns, please reach out for alternative arrangements.



Schedule and Activity Outline:

This is a fluid schedule and will remain adaptive based on students' progress.

| Session | Date | Activity |
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| 1 | 10/5 | Introduction: class rules, free play |
| 2 | 10/12 | Halloween bowl project |
| 3 | 10/19 | Glaze and decoration |
| 4 | 10/26 | Fall leaves project |
| 5 | 11/2 | Glaze and decoration |
| 6 | 11/9 | Intro to pinched techniques |
| 7 | 11/16 | Glaze and decoration |
| 8 | 11/23 | *Holiday* |
| 9 | 11/30 | Intro to coiled techniques |
| 10 | 12/7 | Christmas tree project |
| 11 | 12/14 | Glaze and decoration |
| 12 | 12/21 | *No class* Pick up projects |
| 13 | 1/18 | Coiled techniques |
| 14 | 1/25 | Glaze and decoration |
| 15 | 2/1 | Coiled pots: Valentine's day project |
| 16 | 2/8 | Glaze and decoration |
| 17 | 2/15 | Nature project: texture and patterns |
| 18 | 2/22 | Nature project: colors |
| 19 | 3/1 | Pinched techniques: bowls |
| 20 | 3/8 | Glaze and decoration |
| 21 | 3/15 | Pinched techniques: mugs |
| 22 | 3/22 | Glaze and decoration |
| 23 | 3/29 | Easter egg project |
| 24 | 4/5 | Easter egg project |
| 25 | 4/12 | Easter egg project |
| 26 | 4/19 | *Holiday* |
| 27 | 4/26 | Box building (Mother's day project) |
| 28 | 5/3 | Box building |
| 29 | 5/10 | Glaze and decoration |
| 30 | 5/17 | Teacher appreciation project |
| 31 | 5/24 | Glaze and decoration |
| 32 | 5/31 | *TBD* Extra time to finish projects |



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Application

Please send completed application to jade.ceramics.kst@gmail.com.

Student's name: _____

Grade and teacher: _____

Parent/guardian name #1: _____

Phone and email: _____

Parent/guardian name #2: _____

Phone and email: _____

Any prior experience with pottery/ceramics? Y/N

Additional comments: _____