# Ceramic Techniques for All (B215) and X217

#### **Course Description**

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"Our mission is to provide instruction and support services enabling students to successfully learn and advance their knowledge and use of ceramic art techniques."

## **Course Goals**

1. Survey basic pottery and ceramics foundation techniques.

2. Provide a positive and supportive learning environment enabling students of all abilities to create attractive and useful ceramics.

## Course Subject Outline

- 1. Introduction to hand building techniques using patterns and models.
- 2. Overview of design and decorating considerations.
- 3. Introduction to wheel throwing using pottery wheels in the studio.
- 4. Introduction to slip casting methods.
- 5. Employing hump mold hand building techniques.
- 6. Introduction to bisque and glaze firing methods and procedures.
- 7. Review of basic safety considerations in the studio.

#### Studio Rules

Semester fees of \$40 per student, due at the beginning of the semester, cover materials including clay, glazes, and other expendables as well as low firing at the New Castle County Arts Pottery Studio. Mid-range firing is provided by another facility on a variable cost basis. Clays, glazes, and other materials will be supplied by the instructors. Students are not permitted to use any materials which may damage kilns. Therefore, all student projects are subject to advance instructor approval.

Studio class size is limited to 12 students plus three instructors for a maximum of 15 individuals at any time in the studio. Only registered and waitlisted students may attend our CTA workshops. Instruction is supported with information videos also on our website http://www.olliuodcta.art where students can familiarize themselves virtually with topics covered in class.

Our class website provides support for class instruction, student self-study and general information. Instructors provide individual coaching and instruction tailored to the needs of each student. http://www.olliuodcta.art Selected student work is displayed on the website and in the Arsht Hall lobby.

Weekly Layout:

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