

# 2015 KNOWLEDGE CLINIC

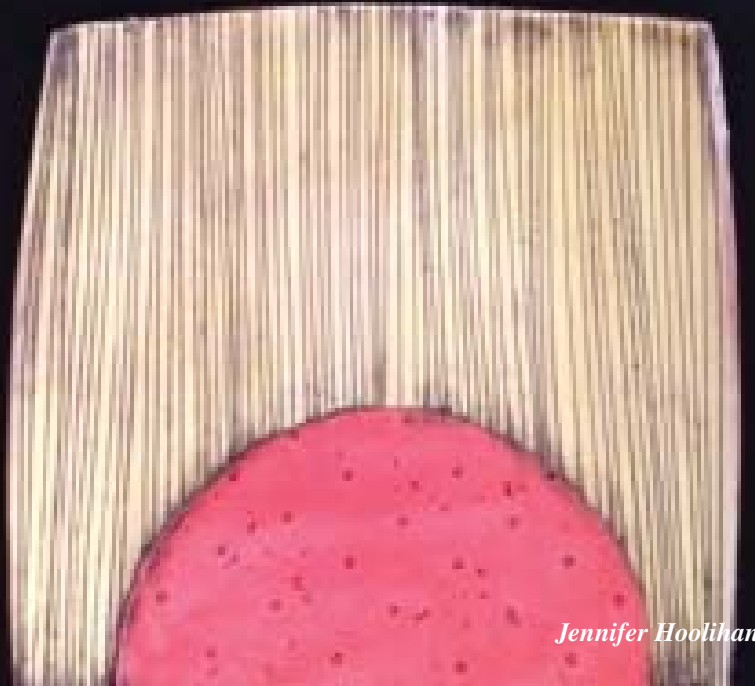
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*McKenzie Smith*



*Tracy Gamble*



*Jennifer Hoolihan*

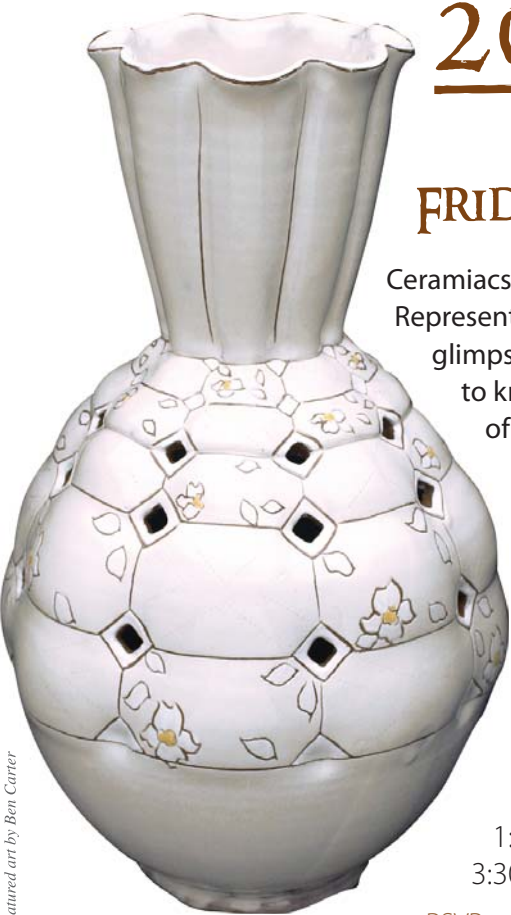


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Featured art by Ben Carter

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FRIDAY 1/30 OR SATURDAY 1/31

Ceramiacs, join us for a **free** clinic at our new store and warehouse in Clearwater. Representatives will be onsite from AMACO/Brent, Spectrum, Mayco and Skutt to give you a glimpse of the most important tools of your trade—everything the closet Ceramiac needs to know from wheel to kiln. Also, be sure to check out our onsite store to take advantage of our Knowledge Clinic specials!

## JAN. 30 AND JAN. 31 SCHEDULE:

8:30am	Doors Open
9:00-11:30am	Throwing demo with special guest Ben Carter
11:30am-1:00pm	Break for lunch
1:00-3:30pm	Paper Patterns for Pottery with special guest Jennifer Hoolihan
	<i>Limited to 25 participants each day—please call to sign up</i>
1:00-3:30pm	Layering glaze techniques with special guest Tracy Gamble
1:00-3:30pm	Making cane handles with special guest McKenzie Smith
1:00-3:30 pm	Free time to meet with manufacturers' representatives
3:30pm-4:30pm	SKUTT session on kiln repair and maintenance

RSVP required: Call 727.553.9344 or email [manager@highwaterclaysflorida.com](mailto:manager@highwaterclaysflorida.com).

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## THROWING DEMO: BEN CARTER

Ben Carter is a studio potter, workshop leader, and social media enthusiast based in Santa Cruz, CA. He received his BFA in ceramics/painting from Appalachian State University, and his MFA in ceramics from the University of Florida. His professional experience includes being an artist-in-residence at the Odyssey Center for Ceramic Art in Asheville, NC, as well as Anderson

Ranch Arts Center in Snowmass, CO, the Archie Bray Foundation in Helena, MT, and the Ceramic Research Center Guldagergaard in Skelskor, Denmark.

From 2010-2012 he served as the Education Director of the Pottery Workshop in Shanghai, China. He has lectured and presented workshops at universities and craft centers in the United States, China, Australia, and New Zealand. He has exhibited internationally in numerous invitational and juried shows.

## CLINIC LECTURES

The backbone of our annual Knowledge Clinic and always a crowd favorite, our informative lecture sessions are designed to keep everyone in the know on kiln maintenance, glazing techniques and more. We begin with a throwing demo with Ben Carter followed by a hands-on clay project with Jennifer Hoolihan and/or glazing with Tracy Gamble or making cane handles with McKenzie Smith, and free time with the manufacturer reps. The clinic will finish up with an informative session on kiln repair and maintenance from our friends at SKUTT Kilns.



## PAPER PATTERNS FOR POTTERY: JENNIFER HOOLIHAN



During this hands-on session we will explore using paper templates to create hand-built pots. Transform soft slabs into functional objects with folds, darts, nips and tucks. Texture will be incorporated into the composition of the pieces as well as color through underglaze. Nesting baskets, boxes, even French fry holsters are possible with patterns. Participants should leave with a few different pieces and templates for home use.

**About Jennifer Hoolihan:** As a high school art student, Jennifer Hoolihan became hooked on ceramics and would often babysit her pottery teacher's child in exchange for bags of clay. She went on to receive a degree in ceramics from the University of North Texas. There she honed her skills in functional pottery, kiln firing and glazes. After graduation, she worked several different clay jobs and explored all areas of ceramics from slip casting to raku. Today she resides in Asheville NC and is the Ceramic Tech and Workshop Leader for Highwater Clays. She has taught classes at ABTech Community College and Odyssey Center for Ceramic Arts as well as maintaining her own clay studio.

## MAKING CANE HANDLES: MCKENZIE SMITH



Join McKenzie in a tent outside where he will be demonstrating how to make and attach cane/reed handles to various types of pottery. From teapot handles to hanging

wall pieces this technique will add that very personal touch to your work.

**About McKenzie Smith:** McKenzie Smith is a potter working in Florida. McKenzie worked as a Core Student at the Penland School of Crafts. He received his BFA from the University of South Florida and his MFA from the University of Florida. Residencies include the Archie Bray Foundation, Banff Center For The Arts, Baltimore Clayworks, and the University of Miami. Smith has exhibited widely and taught numerous workshops.

## LAYERING GLAZE TECHNIQUES: TRACY GAMBLE



Join Tracy in a tent outside where she will be demonstrating techniques for layering glazes and answering general glaze questions. Test tiles and glazes will be provided so you can try these techniques and take the tiles home to fire.

**About Tracy Gamble:** A studio potter, Tracy has been learning, teaching, designing, producing and selling in clay for over 20 years. Tracy is a Studio Potter, Education Consultant for American Art Clay Co., Inc. (AMACO). Her education includes; an MBA, a Masters in Library and Information Science, and an undergraduate degree in Theatre. Two years of teaching elementary art, in a private school in the Chicago area during her time as a studio potter, contributes to specific understanding of the challenges of art teachers. Currently, and for the past 14 years she has been teaching workshops, writing articles and lesson plans, and consulting in commercial clay and glazes on her own and with her husband, David L. Gamble, all over the United States and Internationally. You may have read her articles and/or seen her pottery in advertisements in Ceramics Monthly, Pottery Making Illustrated and Arts and Activities.

## MEET THE MAKERS!

Your favorite manufacturer reps will be here to discuss wheels, kilns, and glazes.



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