This class will introduce students to the beauty of ceramics. We will focus on three hand-building techniques, pinch methods, coil processes, and slab methods. Students will create functional and decorative clay pieces while learning various ways to form and manipulate clay. A variety of glazing and decoration techniques will be introduced as well. Students will be able to independently create pieces... beginning with a sketched idea, and culminating in a finished product.

final exams:

By the end of the semester, all assignments should be completed. You will be given time to work on your Final Exam in class. You will be tested on your knowledge of safety rules, working with clay process and procedures. All information to prepare for test in available on the website: juliannakunstler.com/ceramics1.php

skills taught (outcomes):

Working with clay procedures, clay drying stages, temperatures, firing stages, glazing, hand-building techniques: pinch, coil, slab.

grading:

Art classes grades are based on skills and performance. Full credit will be given to all correctly FINISHED assignments turned in on time. Students must follow the teacher’s instructions to fulfill project requirements. Grading requirements and rubric will be explained at the beginning of each project.

**Formative assessment** measures student skill growth. Studies, studio work, and practice are considered to be a formative assessment and are worth 20% of the semester grade.

**Summative assessment** measures student performance. Completed artwork is considered a summative assessment. Summative grades are worth 80% of the semester grade.

NOTE: Unless an assignment specifically requires copying, it will be interpreted in the same manner as plagiarism and is not acceptable.

art department expectations:

Food, drinks, candy, gum are not allowed in the Ceramics room (for safety reasons).

Be in the room before the bell rings. Dropping your stuff and leaving would not qualify you as being on time.

Sit at your assigned seat.

Talk quietly with students next to you.

If you must swear, or use crude/vulgar language, please do it elsewhere. Thanks…

Encourage your fellow classmates in a positive way… Treat them fairly and nicely.

You are responsible for cleaning your work area. I am not going to do it for you.

due date policy

Assignments must be completed according to times/dates as noted when assignment is given. Assignments will not be accepted after the last day of each six-week grading term.