
Pottery Partners

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Course Description

Here is a great opportunity to spend creative time with your child, spouse, grandchild or sign up by yourself. You'll learn to prepare, center, pull, shape, finish, and glaze your clay creations. You will become familiar with basic pottery tools (see supply list), and experience the pleasure and satisfaction of working with your hands — the most amazing tools. Delight in the beautiful and food-functional mugs, bowls, and plates you will make. No experience needed.

Course Goals

Students who complete this course successfully will be able to:

- Understand and participate in making functional pottery from bag to finished pot
- Correctly use basic pottery tools including their hands
- Throw a cylinder and a bowl form
- Use a bat and throw a plate form
- Successfully glaze pottery forms

Materials & Supplies

Purchase a basic (8-piece) pottery tool set. This includes: a needle tool, sponge, metal rib, wire tool and 2 trimming tools. At Hobby Lobby, they are \$12.99. On their web site, obtain a 40% discount coupon. Meininger's Art Supply (Weber @ Cucharas) has them for \$9.39. You can find them on Amazon. Find a plastic pencil case or other waterproof container to keep your tools together.

An old hand towel is very helpful. If you have respiratory concerns, please bring a dust mask.

Please wear clothes and sturdy shoes (no flip flops please), that can be stained by some clays, or get sandy/muddy/wet. Leave watches, rings, bracelets at home.

Optional: You own bibbed apron, and any fun or interesting texturing devices.

Feel free to email me with any questions: kbyrd@coloradocollege.edu

I am looking forward to meeting you and starting your adventure in clay!