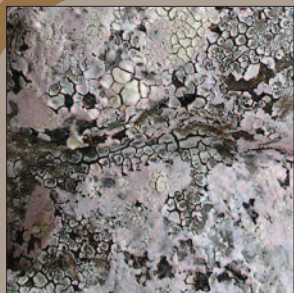
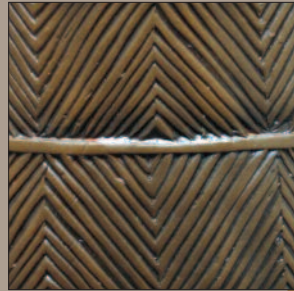


Fireworks
2008
Exhibition



FIREWORKS

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Fireworks 2008 Exhibition: Introduction

Fireworks Exhibitions are the pride and joy of FUSION: The Ontario Clay and Glass Association, as they represent one of the most public displays of the hard work done by members of this volunteer organization. The opportunity to present the work of our talented members to the general public is gratifying, but these exhibitions offer much more than this, as they are a unifying force in our wide spread community.

The act of creation is primarily a solitary occupation, so the opportunity to exhibit one's work to the public and to one's peers is an important validation of time and effort spent in honing one's craft. But beyond this, these exhibitions are an opportunity for each and every exhibitor and viewer (whether they are a practitioner or not) to learn, appreciate and expand their knowledge. Jurors for this exhibition are

chosen from across the country, and even internationally, to provide a fresh perspective to those who participate in the exhibition. Conversely, the jury process introduces the talents of our FUSION members to a wider audience outside of Ontario. A potter friend of mine, now into her eighties has always remarked that, as she has traveled the world, the introduction that has opened more doors for her than any other is the simple statement, I am a potter. This exhibition at its heart is a statement about that sense of community and that all are welcome.

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Fireworks 2008 Exhibition: Welcome

'FIREWORKS' is the juried travelling exhibition of handcrafted work in clay and glass by members of FUSION: The Ontario Clay and Glass Association. Since 1975, these exhibitions have offered members the opportunity to exhibit their work throughout Ontario, and have presented Ontario communities with an opportunity to see contemporary creative expressions in clay and glass.

'FIREWORKS' Exhibitions have been mounted in galleries, libraries, colleges and universities, arts centers and municipal buildings over the thirty year period. Throughout the province, curators report that the FUSION exhibitions are among their most popular presentations. 'Fireworks 2008' will begin its tour by opening in the Carnegie Gallery in Dundas, as part of the FUSION Conference being held at McMaster University in Hamilton. FUSION thanks the Carnegie Gallery and the two sponsors, Tetraplex and the Potters Guild of Hamilton and Region, for hosting the inaugural show.

Pieces selected for 'Fireworks 2008' were based on the combined experience and expertise of two internationally recognized jurors. FUSION thanks Peter Powning from Sussex, New Brunswick and Stephen Hill from Centre Street Clay in Sandwich, Illinois, who collaborated in cyber-space to choose forty pieces for this exhibition, out of a field of 102 entries.

FUSION extends thanks to the individuals and businesses that have facilitated our Exhibition program. Prizes for award winning pieces were supported through interest accrued from investments of previous FUSION FIREWORKS Exhibition Endowment Fund donations by Gilda Goodman, FUSION past Board Chairs, the (former) Scarborough Potters' Guild, The Potters Guild of Hamilton and Region, and FUSION members and Board members. In addition, other awards were provided by Pottery Supply House, Tucker's Pottery Supplies, FUSION, The Ontario Crafts Council, The Potters Guild of Hamilton and Region and anonymous donors. Transportation and storage for 'Fireworks 2008' is donated by Pottery Supply House. FUSION also thanks the businesses, whose logos appear in the catalogue, for supporting the publication.

FUSION gratefully acknowledges the assistance of the Government of Ontario through the Ministry of Tourism, Culture and Recreation, and the Ontario Arts Council. Most importantly, FUSION thanks the artists who took the time to prepare images and to submit their work to the jury for 'Fireworks 2008'. You made this exhibition possible! Congratulations!

FUSION Exhibition Committee

Magdolene Dykstra

Mischievous
38 x 5 x 5 cm
Stoneware

Henry Goodman Best in Show Award

FUSION Board Chair Purchase Award

Judy Donaldson

Fern Stemmed Sphere
11.5 cm dia
Smoke fired porcelain

Tucker's Pottery Supplies Award of Merit

Sam McKenna

Untitled
24 cm dia
Porcelain, crystalline glazed with glass

Ontario Craft Council / FUSION Design Award

Bruce Cochrane

Lidded Form
30 x 20 cm
Earthenware

Founders' Award of Merit

Chiho Tokita

Bud Vase 2
7.5 x 7.5 x 14 cm
Porcelain

Potters' Guild of Hamilton and Region Award



Magdolene Dykstra



Judy Donaldson



Sam McKenna



Chiho Tokita



Bruce Cochrane

Judith Morsink

Encrusted
15 x 11 x 36 cm
Stoneware

Scarborough Potters' Guild
Award of Merit



Judith Morsink

Barbara Rose

Ash Jar
21 x 21 x 16 cm
Porcelain

Pottery Supply House
Award of Merit



Barbara Rose

Tara Lynne Franco

Untitled
38 x 38 x 9 cm
Brown earthenware and
porcelain

FUSION Award of Merit

Barbara Rose

Teapot
25 x 12 x 25 cm
Porcelain

FUSION Emerging Artist
Award

Tara Lynne Franco

The Rose
26 x 26 x 8 cm
Brown earthenware and
porcelain

FUSION Emerging Artist
Award



Tara Lynne Franco



Barbara Rose



Tara Lynne Franco

Lyse Fleury
Untitled
18 x 35 cm
Clay



Lyse Fleury

Philip Samuel Black
Voyageurs
40 x 15 x 18 cm
Pit fired stoneware

Irit Lepkin
For Left (2 pieces)
7.5 x 22 x 6 cm
Clay



Philip Samuel Black

Kasumi Lampitoc
Cup Vase II
19 x 27 cm
Porcelain/stoneware mix

Vlodek Tydor
Cracklet Box
12 x 8 x 22 cm
Porcelain, handbuilt

Anne Leon &
Ahmet Dortbudak
Feathers
30 x 16 cm
Porcelain



Irit Lepkin



Kasumi Lampitoc



Vlodek Tydor



Anne Leon & Ahmet Dortbudak

Anne Chambers
Adidem
10 x 11 x 11 cm
Porcelain/black stoneware

Fritz Lehberg
Teapot
23 x 23 x 16 cm
Stoneware

Michelle Prosek
Riverbed
45 x 30 cm
Glass

M. Kathleen Matsushita
Ebony Flair
18 x 15.5 cm
Porcelain

Shu-Chen Cheng
Twin
47 x 25 cm each
Clay

Heather Daymond
Lidded Form
12.5 x 9.5 cm
Stoneware



Anne Chambers



Michelle Prosek



Fritz Lehberg



M. Kathleen Matsushita



Shu-Chen Cheng



Heather Daymond

Chris Snedden
Frog Prince
30 x 24 x 20 cm
Stoneware/slips

Celia Zveibil Brandao
Dream Cups
19.5 x 12 x 12 cm
Wood fired porcelain

Irit Lepkin
Duplicity I
36 x 13 x 13 cm
Clay/wood base

Phyllis Erwin
Freeform Vessel #2
24 x 26 cm
Earthenware

Sam McKenna
Leaves in a Waltz
27 cm dia
Porcelain, crystalline
glazed with glass

Susan Card
Ode to Palissy
15 x 28 cm
Porcelainous stoneware



Chris Snedden



Celia Zveibil Brandao



Irit Lepkin



Phyllis Erwin



Sam McKenna



Susan Card

Jane MacIntosh
Sprite Flight
30 x 30 x 8 cm
Stoneware



Jane MacIntosh

Miguel Deras Zapata
Triad
48 x 16 x 15 cm
Stoneware, Handbuilt,
oxides and glazes



Keith Campbell

Keith Campbell
Night Shadows
35 x 9 x 9 cm
C6 Porcelain

Garry Dick
Untitled
21 x 16 cm
Wood fired stoneware



Miguel Deras Zapata

Shu-Chen Cheng
Blue
32 x 35 cm
Clay



Shu-Chen Cheng

Vlodek Tydor
Trophy Container
30 x 30 x 55 cm
Porcelain, handbuilt



Vlodek Tydor



Garry Dick

Chiho Tokita
Bud Vase 1
10 x 10 x 13 cm
Porcelain



Chiho Tokita

Judy Donaldson
Carrot Stemmed Sphere
7 cm dia
Smoke fired porcelain



Judy Donaldson

Wayne Cardinalli
Generous Vase
33 x 33 cm
Oxidation



Wayne Cardinalli

Heather Daymond
Basket
22 x 22 cm
Stoneware



Heather Daymond

Marlene Kawalez
Gentle Earth
25 cm
Clay/mixed media



Marlene Kawalez

Cheryl Wyre
Untitled
37 x 9 x 35.5 cm
Thrown and carved raku



Cheryl Wyre



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