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"CHINESE CLAY ART" is a newsletter emailed to professional artists, curators, collectors, writers, experts, educators and students in the ceramic field, who want to know about ceramic art in China and things related. This newsletter will be a bridge between China and Western countries for the ceramic arts. Comments and suggestions are very welcome.

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10th Anniversary of Chinese Clay Art USA

In September 1999, the ceramic art studio called ClayGround (the Chinese Clay Art, USA, for clay tools and supply business) was opened in San Jose, California as a small studio. It was mainly for teaching clay to children and adults, hosting birthday parties, and for YMCA summer camps. During the first year teaching in our studio, I have invented plastic texture mats and have had the patent granted in China. Later on, I have gone back and forth between China and the US for clay tools of Chinese tradition as well as new and innovative tools. New products are released every few months.

Gradually, the ceramic art tools and supplies became our main business. Our business has been growing and we have established national-wide distributing networks, such as: Sheffield Pottery in Massachusetts, BigCeramic Store in Nevada, Davens Ceramic Center in Georgia, Continental Clay in Minnesota, Georgie's Ceramic and Clay in Oregon, Seattle Pottery Supply in Washington, Clay Planet and Aardvark Clay & Supplies, in California, Polymer Clay Express At The Artway Studio in Maryland, Carolina Clay Connection in North Carolina, New Mexico Clay in New Mexico, Armadillo Clay & Supplies in Texas, Ceramic Supply in New Jersey, Flat Rock Studio Clay Supplies in Arizona, Runyan Pottery Supply in Michigan, and the Ceramic Shop in Pennsylvania. This is about 50 companies in total, plus a few international retail customers. In the last quarter of 2008, we received many orders for texture mats to be used for cookie and chocolate making through Martha Stewart Magazine and TV programs. So it became another opportunity for us to develop new products - this time for kitchen supplies.

During the past 10 years, we have received many suggestions, support and encouragement from our valued customers and friends. On the behalf of all here at the Chinese Clay Art Corporation, I would like to express my appreciation to all of you. We hope we may grow

with you together!
Thank you to all of you who has supported our business!

Sincerely,

Guangzhen Po Zhou

Guangzhen Zhou, Chief Editor

***Beyond the Function---International Contemporary Teapot
Exhibition,NCECA 2009***



Gallery: French Designer Jeweler
Address: 7148 East Main Street, Scottsdale, Arizona
85251
Phone and Email: 480-994-4717
Exhibition: Beyond the Function-- International
Contemporary Teapot Exhibition
Artists: Swanica Ligtenberg, Sandy Kinzie, Eugenia Frith
Meltzer, Eric Serritella, Patrick Ting, Carol & Richard
Selfridge, Patricia Whidby, Steve Hilton, Robert Lawarre,
Robert Johnson, Carol Wedemeyer, Marc Barr, Ericka
Clark Shaw, Bowie Croisant, Anamarija Reljac, Sara
Chieco, Iva Viskovie, Gerard Justn Ferrari, Steve
Saliscan, Qian Zhangfa, Shi Xiaoming, Gu Meiqun, Zhou
Bo and He Xin, Wang Jianzhong.
Description: An exhibition interested in the exploration of
new developments in teapots worldwide during the birth
of the 21st century.

Curator: Guangzhen Po Zhou

Exhibition Dates: Apr 6-12, 2009

Hours open during NCECA: Mon-Sat 10:00a.m.- 5:00p.m., Thu 10:00a.m.-9:00p.m.

Reception: April 9, 7:00-9:00p.m.

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The pictures of the teapots will be online and the links will be sent out in our February newsletter. Also, you may check online for the show information at NCECA website at: www.NCECA.net. For those of you may participate in the conference, we may be able to meet in the opening reception. See you there in April 2009! Thanks and Happy New Year!

New Product



New idea of decoration: to use decal sheet cuts on your ceramic pieces.

You may design your own pattern from your computer and use a paper cut machine (search online for Cricut Paper Cut machine) to make some decal sheet cuts to

decorate your ceramic artwork, or just use a scissor to cut out the decal sheets.

Decal: Letters and Numbers, 13" x 20" (33cm x 50cm), 620 Letters (Low case and up case) and numbers in 4 sizes from 1/8" to 1/2" inch in height; choices of Red **DC 080R** and Black colors **DC 080B**

Decal: Sheets of 5 Colors, 13" x 20" (33cm x 50cm), Choices of red, yellow, blue, green and black.

The new decals (**DC 060B, DC 060G, DC 060R, DC 060U, DC 060Y**) are \$8.00 each, Sale \$6.00 each by the end of January 2009.

Customer Design Decal printing is available by request.

Monthly Special



All decals are on sale for up to 25% off. Please visit www.ChineseClayArt.com and type "decal" in "Store Search" in the top left corner.

Assorted Tile Cutters **CT 01**, original \$6.00, sale \$5.00

Wood Throwing Kit **WS 12C**, original \$18.00, sale \$15.00

Stainless Mixer **MX 15**, original \$7.00, sale \$5.50

Book "A Dictionary of Chinese Ceramics" **BK 007**, original \$180.00, sale \$160.00

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