




NICOLE PITCHER


CERAMIC ARTIST

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SKILLS

Wheel throwing
Creative Design
Visual thinking
Process planning
Predictive problem solving
Attention to detail
3D Design & Printing
Continuous Learner

EDUCATION

**Associates of Science
Visual Communications
Ivy Tech Community College**

May 2022–May 2023

Magna Cum Laude
Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society
Dean's List
Honor Society

**Associate of General Studies
General Studies
Ivy Tech Community College**

2016–2018

Summa Cum Laude
Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society
Dean's List
Honor Society

**Bachelor of Fine Art
Ceramics
Purdue University Fort Wayne**

2022–2024 (present)

The National Society of Leadership and
Success

PROFILE

I am a skilled and enthusiastic ceramic artist who has honed my expertise in crafting exquisite wheel-thrown ceramic forms. Hailing from the Midwest, my artistic journey has been significantly shaped by the rich traditions of German and Dutch pottery.

My creations stand out with a strong emphasis on functionality, as I take pride in designing pieces that are not only visually appealing but also highly practical for everyday use.

Beyond my artistic endeavors, I am deeply committed to the world of ceramics, possessing not only the skills to create stunning pieces but also proficiency in maintaining and operating a studio.

WORK EXPERIENCE

Ceramics Studio Assistant

Purdue University Fort Wayne

August 2022–October 2022

August 2022–Present

- Responsible for maintaining a well-organized and functional ceramic studio, ensuring an efficient workflow and a clean and safe working environment.
- Responsible for operating pug mill and clay mixer, effectively processing clay into a consistent and workable state for ceramic production, optimizing material usage, and reducing waste.
- Responsible for precisely executing glaze recipes
- Experience in firing techniques, including oxidation, reduction, soda, and wood firing.

Ceramic Artist

3Rivers Mudworks

January 2020–Present

- Responsible for running and managing a fully-functional, production-capable single-artist pottery studio, overseeing all aspects of operations to ensure smooth workflow, efficient production, and high-quality output.
- Skilled in wheel throwing and hand-building techniques.
- Demonstrated expertise in glaze mixing and application.
- Responsible for kiln operation and firing processes.
- Proficient in surface decoration and texture techniques, employing such techniques as sgraffito, resist techniques, stamping, as well as utilizing spring molds for raised relief elements.
- Proven ability in materials acquisition, responsible for sourcing high-quality clay, glazes, and other essential supplies, ensuring a steady and reliable inventory for uninterrupted production.
- Responsible for establishing and maintaining a web presence, utilizing website design, content creation, and online marketing strategies to showcase artwork, engage with a broader audience, and drive business growth utilizing such platforms as Facebook, Instagram, and TikTok.

Sampling of Volunteer Experience

- Election poll worker
- Primetime Youth community center (YFC)
- Hurricane Katrina Relief through Red-Cross
- One week youth Camp worker in Guam
- Short-term missions in Haiti and Belfast, Northern Ireland
- Multiple summer camps working as a counselor, cook, lifeguard, and maintenance

Travel Experience

- Port-au-Prince, Haiti (two weeks)
- Guam (one week)
- Belfast, Northern Ireland (two months)

REFERENCES



Seth Green

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Purdue University Fort Wayne
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