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March 24th, 2020



A Note from the Executive Director

Hello Everyone!

I hope you all receive this newsletter in good health. I already miss seeing the studio buzzing with creativity. We are such a close-knit community-- I am so looking forward to seeing everyone again soon!

As you all know, we have closed the center until April 16th due to COVID-19 precautions. The safety of our students/members are of the utmost importance. While we are unsure what the future looks like, in regards to COVID-19 updates, we know that connecting our community and staying creatively engaged, is very important. Especially now. This is true for all of our students as well as our studio members. So during this time, we are working hard to provide you with ceramic and warm glass education at home--as a way to stay creatively active and to give us the ability to connect with our community of artists and students. Check out these new options below:

NEW Google Classrooms for all our 2020.2 8 week students. On your classroom pages, you will find new content to look forward to every Monday and Friday by 5pm. Your instructors will add videos to watch along with content to read, tailored to every class. If you are in an 8 week class for 2020.2, you should have already received an email with the link to your classroom. We hope this provides you with the opportunity to continue to flex your creative mind--outside of the studio setting. If you are currently enrolled, and cannot find the link, please send us an email at

info@iowaceramicscenter.org and we can help you get started.

UPCOMING Grab-N-Go Projects. With extended school breaks, we are also working to provide at home art education to school aged children and teens. We will soon be offering grab-n-go art projects--complete with project descriptions and step by step directions. Since Art Education is our passion, we want to make sure that our young student's love for creating AND ceramics does not stop. These projects will give those budding artists an outlet--with all the supplies--to create something fun in a safe environment. These projects are ideal for parents who are working from home--they will keep your kiddos creatively engaged for an hour or more! We are working hard on this and we will be able to provide more information next week! STAY TUNED!

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For a limited time, when you purchase a \$100 gift certificate, we will throw in an extra \$10 gift certificate for free (\$20 for \$200)! These gift certificates can be used for future classes/workshops as well as gallery and shop purchases (clay and glass purchases included). This is a great time to purchase a gift certificate and support the center at the same time. Purchase them online below and we will send you the gift certificate in the mail. Go to this link below to purchase these certificates:

PURCHASE GIFT CERTIFICATES HERE:

https://theceramicscenter.secure.force.com/events/CnP_PaaS_EVT_ExternalRegistrationPage?event_id=a0Jd000000M5waHEAR

Social Media Takeovers. Stay tuned to our social media, Instagram and Facebook, as social media takeovers from many of our past Resident Artists! Learn something new from them, see familiar faces and check out their newest works.

FACEBOOK LINK:

<https://www.facebook.com/iowaceramicscenter/>

INSTAGRAM LINK:

https://www.instagram.com/iowa_ceramics_center/

As we navigate through this, we will be updating you through our upcoming newsletters and through social media channels. Please feel free to contact us with any questions or to just check in, I would love to hear from you!

Best Wishes,
Ellen Kleckner
Executive Director

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Please use this link below and to get more information:

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