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Born on September 10th 1974 in Varazdin (Croatia). Based in Tuam, Co. Galway (Ireland).

Internationally active artist, potter, ceramic maker and tutor well known for his YouTube tutor's Channel.

Traditional pottery of north-west Croatia expert awarded by the Ministry of Culture Croatia (National Treasure) with numbers of displaying, workshops, lectures, research work and publication behind.

As tutor in pottery and ceramic field he is author of master classes, educational programs, workshops, courses, lectures, training and demonstrations for all age groups, educational levels and special students needs.

Most recently he is focused in contemporary art practice with a more global approach in his artwork.

His YouTube Channel as tutors channel is followed by thousands with millions of views.

Clay Galway member since 2019.

Ceramics Ireland's member since 2018.

The Croatian Association of ceramists Kerameikon member since 2005.

EDUCATION

2021 3rd year student with GMIT, Contemporary art in studio practice with specialization in 3D media

2020. QQI Level 6 Training and development, DCM, Ireland

2018. 2019. Therapeutic Art Life Coach, Udemy, Ireland

2013. Ceramics preparation, Varazdin City Museum, Croatia

2011/2010 Valorisation of cultural tourism, EU SeeNet2, Italy/Croatia

2001/2000 Pottery/Ceramic Art, apprenticeship, Croatia

2000/1998 Paintings development, prof. T. E. Fischer Studio, Croatia

1998/1996 Painting and drawing, Art School Fisher, Croatia

1994/1990 Lab Technician, Croatia

SHOWS

SKILLS

Drawing, painting.

Material preparation, hand building, modeling, sculpting, coil building, pottery wheel throwing, slip casting, glazing, raku, obvara, electric, wood and gas firing, pir firing, decals, overglazing, lusters... and many more.

IT SKILLS

Adobe Illustrator, Corel Draw, Wordpress, Microsoft Office, ...

AWARDS

National Treasure by Ministry of Culture Croatia

LANGUAGES

Croatian (native), English

BIBLIOGRAPHY

2021 Ceramic in Ireland, book

2021 Ceramic Ireland Annual Members Exhibition, Dublin Castle, Ireland
2021 Ceramic Ireland Selected Exhibition, Raftcastle Dublin, Ireland
2021 Clay Galway Online Show 20/21, artist, co curator and co producer
2021 Clay Journeys for Galway 2020, artist, co curator and co producer.
2020 Ceramic Ireland, Annual Members Exhibition, Dublin Castle, Ireland
2019 Clay Galway Annual Members Exhibition, Tribeton Galway, Ireland
2017 Jugs, A unique exhibition of Irish Ceramics and Glass Jugs, McCambridge's, Galway, Ireland
2015 Kerameikon in Advent, Varazdin, Croatia
2015 Selected work, Kaposvar, Hungary
2015 12+1, Varazdin City Museum, Croatia, curator
2012 Selected work, City hall Varazdin, Croatia, solo
2010 Selected work, Herbstmesse, Graz, Austria
2008 Traditional pottery of northwest Croatia, Ericsson Nikola Tesla Gallery, Zagreb, Croatia, solo
2006 Selected work, Lubenice, Cres Island, Croatia
2000 Collages, Palatin Gallery, Cakovec, Croatia, solo
1998 Paintings, Conning Gallery, Varazdin, Croatia
1997 Paintings, Conning Gallery, Varazdin, Croatia

WORKSHOPS

2020 Clay Journeys for Galway 2020, Trinity Primary School Tuam, Ireland
2019 Ceramic for fun, Traveller Community Centar, Tuam, Ireland
2019 Pottery wheel throwing demonstration, Galway Potter's Market, Galway, Ireland
2018 Prehistoric fairing, CEXA and Archaeological students, Croatia
2017 Three, two, one ... Tradka! traditional ceramic in different way, Vestigium, Zagreb, Croatia
2016 Talk to the clay, pottery wheel throwing workshop, ArtOmat, Zagreb, Croatia
2016 Traditional pottery of north-west Croatia, Ministry of Culture and POU Đuro Adler, Ivanec, Croatia
2016 Ceramic Art and how to improve our work, course, COO Cakovec, Croatia
2015/2014 Ceramic Art, art teachers course, Croatia
2016 Pit Firing at Banjscina, Open Atelier workshop, Banjscina, Croatia
2015 Basic clay work program, Secondary school Novi Marof, Croatia

2021 Ceramic Ireland Magazine Issue 45 2021
2015 Cinfranje, traditional pottery of north-west Croatia decoration (original Cinfranje, tradicionalno ukrašavanje lončarskih predmeta sjeverozapadne Hrvatske) research work
2014 Traditional pottery of north-west Croatia between Drava and Ivancica (original Tradicijsko lončarstvo Sjeverozapadne Hrvatske između Drave i Ivanšćice) monograph
2012 Intangible cultural heritage – legal frame analysis on traditional ceramics production, National Museum Beograd (Serbia), selected works, photos

2015 Basic clay work program for people with disabilities, CRV Lekicka, Varazdin, Croatia
2015 "Cinfranje", traditional pottery decoration, Secondary school Gospodarska, Varazdin, Croatia
2015 Infinite pillar; Let's create together, Croatia
2014 Big pots pottery wheel throwing, ULUS Samobor, Croatia
2014 Žlabrača, Porcijunkulovo, Cakovec, Croatia
2014 Basic clay work, primary school Petrijanec, Croatia
2013 Basic clay work program for people with disabilities, CRV Lekicka, Varazdin, Croatia
2013 Medals making, Varazdin City Museum, Croatia
2013 My toy, Varazdin City Museum, Croatia
2013 Žlabrača, Varazdin City Museum, Croatia
2013 Pottery wheel throwing, ULUS Samobor, Croatia
2013 Basic clay work with golden square construction, primary teachers masterclass, Varazdin, Croatia
2012 Texture on tile, program for blind persons, Cakovec, Croatia
2012 Traditional Dishware in Christmas Eve, ULUS Samobor, Croatia
2012 Pottery wheel throwing, Primary school Beletinec, Croatia
2011/2003 Traditional pottery of northwest Croatia, Traditional crafts square, Varazdin, Croatia
2011/2003 Pottery wheel throwing, Spancirfest, Varazdin, Croatia

SELECTED WORK

2021 No Name collection, ceramics
2019/2020 Inspired by Ireland, wide range of techniques, Ireland
2017/2014 Desperately Looking for a Spring, glazes playing, Croatia/Ireland
2016/2015 New effects ceramics research, open fire firing, Croatia
2015/2012 Restaurateurs and reconstruction work in ceramic, Varazdin City Museum, Croatia
2012 «69», black clay sculpting, Croatia
2012 «Redblack», black clay sculpting, Croatia
2012 «Between», applied art, Croatia
2012 «Mythology in traditional forms », applied art, Croatia
2017/2001. Traditional pottery of north-west Croatia
2002/2001 Jewelry made by clay and wire, Croatia

OTHER ACTIVITIES

Admin for www.claygalway.com, Official Clay Galway Website

Clay Journeys for Galway 2020, Clay Galway, Ireland, involved on many levels

Since 2019 Clay Galway Association member

Since 2018 Ceramics Ireland member

2018 „Cinfranje – traditional pottery of northwest Croatia decoration“, project, Ministry of Culture, Croatia

2017 The Ministry of Culture Croatia award, National Treasure for traditional pottery of north-west Croatia

2017/2015 Promoter and demonstrator for Bosio Zagreb ltd (Bosio ceramic kilns, Goerg und Schneider plastic masses, Duncan slips and glazes), Croatia/Slovenia/Serbia

2015 Ceramic Expert, secondary school Novi Marof, Croatia

2017/2015 Ceramic Expert, primary school Varazdin, Croatia

2015/2014 Ceramic Art, education program author

2017/2012 Board member, «Hajdina» association for cultural heritage protection, Croatia

2012 Ceramic expert, Primary school Beletinec, Croatia

2011/2010 Valorization of Cultural Tourism, EU project SeeNet2, Italy/Croatia

Since 2005 The Croatian Association of ceramists Kerameikon member

2011/2003 Traditional crafts square supervisor, Varazdin, Croatia