

Lisa Kurtz * Highland Pottery
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Professional Ceramic Artist

Knoxville, TN and Louisville, KY, 1985-Present

Selected National Juried Shows

"National Juried Exhibition", The Emporium Balcony Gallery, Juried, Juror: Julie Jack, Knoxville, TN, 2023
"SIP: A Ceramic Cup Show", Juror: Ben Carter Whitehead Center Gallery, Savannah, GA, 2018
"Deep Inner Cups", Juror: Richard Wehrs, Gallery Zeke, Steelville, MO, 2017
"10 x 10 x 10 x Tieton", Jurors: Gia Hamilton and Lloyd Herman, Mighty Tieton Gallery, Tieton, WA, 2017
"Conductivity: The Many Faces of Copper in Ceramics", Juror: Dick Lehman, Companion Gallery, Humboldt, TN, 2017
"Fired Up: Contemporary Clay" (Invitational), Roots Up Gallery, Savannah, GA, 2015
"Artscapes" (National Juried), Knoxville Museum of Art, Knoxville, TN, 2014, 2004
"NCECA Rewedged", (National Invitational), Hite Art Gallery, Louisville, KY, 2007
"Teapot Show" (National Invitational), Vesperman Gallery, Atlanta, GA, 1991
"Fine Crafts Exhibit", Perlow Gallery, Pittsburgh, PA, 1991
"Buyers Markets of American Crafts" (National Juried Wholesale Craft Fairs), Miami, FL, and Boston, MA, 1987 – 1990
"Ky Crafted Markets" (National Juried Wholesale and Retail), Louisville, KY, 1985-1988
"Eight States Annual" (National Juried Group), Speed Museum, Louisville, KY, 1984

Honors, Awards and Grants

Master Artist (Juried Grant), Tennessee Arts Commission and TN Craft Master Artist Apprentice Program, 2015-16
First Place Award of Distinction, Gatlinburg Fine Arts Festival at Arrowmont, Gatlinburg, TN, Juror: Liza Zenni, 2014
Second Place Award, Old Brownsboro Road Art Fair, 2009, Louisville, KY
Honorable Mention, Fountain City Open Show, Knoxville, TN, Juror: Sam Yates, 2005
Honorable Mention, Kentucky Fine Arts and Crafts Market, Louisville, KY, Juror: Adam Ash, 1989
First Place Awards: Wheel, Hand Built, and Sculptural Divisions, Ky. State Fair, Louisville, KY, 1988

Teaching

Pottery Instructor, Oak Ridge Art Center, Pottery Instructor, Oak Ridge, TN, current
Pottery Instructor, Payne Street Pottery, Louisville, KY, 2019-2020
Adjunct Professor of Ceramics, Drawing and Art History, Pellissippi State, "in person"
Knoxville, TN and "online" from Louisville, KY, 2016-2021
Pottery Instructor, Appalachian Center for Arts & Crafts, Norris, TN, 2018-2019
Adjunct Professor of Ceramics, Cleveland State, Cleveland, TN, 2014-2016

Education

MA, Ceramics, Louisville, Kentucky, 1985
Graduate Assistantship, 1984-1985
BA, Ceramics, 1981
Marcia Hite Art Scholarship, 1976

Continued Education

Upcoming: Arrowmont School of Arts and Crafts, HP Bloomer Soda Firing Workshop, Gatlinburg, TN, August, 2023
Stuart Gair Soda Firing Workshop Course Certificate, Arrowmont, 2022
Sam Lopez Soda Firing Workshop Course Certificate, Arrowmont, 2021
Austin Riddle Soda Firing Workshop Course Certificate, Arrowmont, 2018
Soda Kiln Rebuild, University of Louisville, Louisville, KY, 2018

Curatorial Experience

Co-Curator, Bagwell Gallery, Pellissippi State, Terra Madre Educators' Show, Knoxville, 2018
Invited Juror (online and on-site), Tennessee Craft, Tennessee Craft Spring Show, Nashville, TN, 2017
Invited Juror, Arrowmont School of Arts and Crafts, Gatlinburg, TN 2017
Co-Juror, Student Art Show, 2015 - 2016, *Cleveland State Community College*, Cleveland, TN
New Member Juror, Foothills Craft Guild, Knoxville, TN, 2012 - 2015
Foothills Craft Guild Juror, Knoxville, TN, 2014 - 2015
New Member Juror, The Art Market Gallery, Knoxville, TN, 2009 and 2022

Other Arts Employment (Galleries, Museums, and Administration)

The Art Market Gallery, Scheduler, Knoxville, TN 2007 - 2017
Tennessee Arts Commission and Tennessee Craft, Master Artist (MAAP), Nashville, TN, 2015 – 2016,
Knoxville Museum of Art (Art Fair KMA), Artist Coordinator, Juror, and Show Manager, Knoxville, TN, 2014
Terra Madre: Women in Clay, President, Knoxville, TN, January 2023-current
Whittington Creek Art Show, Show Director and Juror, Knoxville, Tennessee, 2005-2015
Highland Pottery, Apprenticeship Director, Knoxville, TN, 2012-2014
Winn Dixie Advertising Department, Louisville, KY, Art Production Supervisor and Graphic Artist, 1981 - 1989
Eliahu Academy, K-8 Art Teacher, Louisville, KY, 1978 - 1981

Publications, Articles, & Media

2022 "Clay all Day!" <https://www.visitknoxville.com/blog/post/the-maker-city-clay-all-day/>, "Showcasing talents and passions, Maker City Summit finds a home", by Carol Z. Shane, Bearden Shopper News, September 7th, 2022
2018 "Lisa Kurtz Pottery on Display", KnoxTNToday.com, January 25, 2018, by Tracy Haun; <https://www.knoxtntoday.com/lisa-kurtz-pottery-display-westminster-presbyterian-gallery/2017>
"New Exhibitions Opening at the Emporium Center on November 3", Everything Knoxville Magazine (Knoxville, TN), pg. 58, November "10 x 10 x 10 x Tieton Catalog", Annual Small Works Exhibition, Tieton Arts and Humanities, Tieton, Washington, pg. 1
"Conductivity: The Many Faces of Copper Exhibition Catalog", Companion Gallery, Humboldt, TN, Juror: Dick Lehman, pg. 9
"Spotlight on Terra Madre Clay Artists," Bearden & Farragut Shopper News, (Knoxville, TN); pg. A-19; April 27 "Artful Abundance," Weekender Shopper News (Knoxville, TN), March 30, pg. A-9
"Art Market Gallery's April Featured Artist Exhibit," Everything Knoxville Magazine April, pg. 10, Knoxville, TN, 2016
"Master Artist Apprentice Program (MAAP) Pairs Announced," TN Craft Newsletter, (Nashville, Tennessee), Winter 2016, Volume 12, Issue 1, pg. 5, 2015
"Warm Temperature Heats Up Art Show," Bearden Shopper News; (Knoxville, TN), Dec. 23, pg. A-3
"Words with...Lisa Kurtz," Knoxville Mercury (Knoxville, TN), Dec.10, 2015, pg. 7, 2014
"KMA Announces Expanded Art Sale, Related Family Activities," Everything Knoxville Magazine, (Knoxville, TN), Oct. 2014, p. 60
"Terra Madre clay exhibit at District Gallery," Knoxville News Sentinel, (Knoxville, TN), Mar. 23, 2013
"Whittington Creek Art Show to feature local talent," Bearden Shopper-News, (Knoxville, TN), Oct. 21
"Q & A: Lisa Kurtz, A Potter Who Will Open a Retrospective Show Benefiting Alzheimer's at the District Gallery," Metro Pulse (Knoxville, TN), Aug. 28, 2013
"Your Stories: Lisa Kurtz," WBIR TV (Knoxville, TN), Aug. 21, 2013
"Artist Questions and Answers with Lisa Kurtz," Knoxville News, (Knoxville, TN), Knox News Sentinel, Mar. 23, 2013
"Art DeTour 3: Highland Pottery, "Oh the Places We See..."", <http://ohtheplaceswesees.com/2012/05/19/art-detour-3-highland-pottery/>
"Little army aliens' - at Terra Madre pottery sale," Bearden Shopper-News, (Knoxville, TN,) November 21, 2011
"Whittington Creek Art Show is lively Fun," Farragut Shopper-News October 31, 2011, (Knoxville, TN)
"West Knox Artists Show off Work," Knoxville News Sentinel; (Knoxville, TN), Oct. 25, 2011, <http://www.knoxnews.com/knoxville/life/allison-rupp-west-knox-artists>
"Whittington Creek Art Show", Knoxville Magazine (Knoxville, Tn), October, 2011
"Whittington Creek Art Show", Skirt Magazine (Knoxville, Tn.), October 2011, pg. 13 "Anything But Square", Sky Vision Magazine (Vision Airlines), Summer 2011, pg. 34
"Whittington Creek Art Show Moves Outdoors", Bearden Shopper News (Knoxville, Tn); October 25, 2010, pg. A-3
"Local Artist to Hold Open House", Knoxville News Sentinel (Knoxville, Tn.), Nov. 26; 2007, pg. A-3

Selected Regional Exhibitions and Commissions

Upcoming: Potters of the Art Market Gallery, Knoxville, TN, August 2023
Featured Artist, The Art Market Gallery, Knoxville, TN, October 2023
Foothills Craft Guild Fine Craft Show, Knoxville, TN, November 2023
Terra Madre: Women in Clay, Knoxville, TN, November 2023
Westwood Art Sale, Knoxville, TN, December 2023
Recent: New Instructors Exhibit, Oak Ridge Art Center, Oak Ridge, TN, 2023
Solo Exhibit, Oak Ridge Public Library, Oak Ridge, TN, 2023
Clay Stories for the Wall, TVUUC Gallery, Juried, Knoxville, TN, 2023
Past: Westwood Holiday Art Sale", Knoxville, TN, 2022
Terra Madre: Holiday Sale, St. George Greek Orthodox Church, Knoxville, TN, 2022
Foothills Fine Craft Show, Juried, Knoxville Expo Center, Knoxville, TN, 2022
Louisville Potters Holiday Sale, Invitational, The Clifton Center, Louisville, Kentucky, 2022, 2021 and 2019
Knoxville Area Women's Golf Tournament Pottery Prizes, Commission, 2022
Group Exhibit, Art Market Gallery, Knoxville, TN, 2022
New Work by Terra Madre: Women in Clay, The Emporium Balcony Gallery, Knoxville, TN, 2022
Open Studio Tour Juried Exhibition, Juried, The Cressman Center, Louisville, Kentucky, 2021, 2019, 2018
Open Studio Tour and Sale, Louisville Visual Art Open Studio Weekend, Highland Pottery, Louisville, Kentucky' 2021, 2019 and 2018
First Friday Exhibition, Swanson Contemporary Gallery, Louisville, Kentucky, 2019
Best of Tennessee Craft, (Juried) Custom House Museum, Clarksville, Tennessee, 2018

Inner Space/Outer Space: Wall Landscapes, Pellissippi State Library Gallery, Knoxville, Tennessee, 2018
Pottery by Lisa Kurtz and Paintings by Ken Anderson” (Invitational), Schilling Gallery, Knoxville, TN, 2018
Artitudes, (Invitational), Dogwood Arts at Cherokee Mills, Knoxville, TN, 2018
Live and Local: Recent Works by the Pellissippi Art Faculty, The Emporium, Knoxville, TN, 2017
Soul of Creativity (Invitational), Breezeway Yoga, Knoxville, TN, 2017
Artisan Market (Juried), Foothills Craft Guild at Jackson Terminal, Knoxville, TN, 2017
Featured Artist Exhibit (Group Clay), The Art Market Gallery, Knoxville, TN, 2016
States of Matter: Lisa Kurtz and Ginger Oglesby (Invitational), The District Gallery, Knoxville, TN, 2016
MAAP: Master Artist Apprentice Show” (Juried), Tennessee Arts Commission Gallery, Nashville, TN, 2016
Handmade Here: A Tennessee Craft Exhibition” (Juried), Chattanooga Work Space Gallery, Chattanooga, TN, 2016
The Art of Native Plants Group Exhibition (Juried), Townsend Visitor Center Gallery, Townsend, TN, 2016
Terra Madre: Women in Clay (Group Juried), The District Gallery, Knoxville, TN, 2016
Lisa Kurtz: Featured 3-D Artist, The Art Market Gallery, Knoxville, TN, 2016
Clay for the Wall: Solo Exhibition (Juried), TVUUC Gallery, Knoxville, TN, 2015
Dogwood Arts Studio DeTours (Group Juried), Dogwood Arts Festival, Knoxville, TN, 2012-2015
Art Xtravaganza (Juried), Webb School of Knoxville, Knoxville, TN, 2006 - 2015, 2022
Alchemy and Art (Juried), Farragut Arts Council, Knoxville, TN, 2014
Terra Madre: Women in Clay (Juried), The District Gallery, Knoxville, TN, 2014
Lisa Kurtz: 36 Years in Clay, A Retrospective Show (Solo Exhibition), The District Gallery, Knoxville, TN, 2013
New Expressions (Juried), Fountain City Art Center, Knoxville, TN, 2009
Fountain City Open Show (Juried), Fountain City Art Center, Knoxville, TN, 2006 - 2007
The Wedding Show (Invitational), Kentucky Guild Gallery, Lexington, KY, 1991
Splash Stoneware (Solo), New Prospect Gallery, Knoxville, TN, 1991
Dinnerware Exhibition (Juried), Kentucky Arts and Crafts Foundation Gallery, Louisville, KY, 1989
Alumni Exhibition, Morris B. Gallery, University of Louisville, Louisville, KY, 1988
Clay Baskets, (Thesis Exhibition), Hite Art Gallery, University of Louisville, Louisville, KY, 1985

Social Media

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Current Local and National Gallery and Guild Memberships

The Art Market Gallery, Juried, Knoxville, TN
The Makers Exchange, Juried, The Curio, Knoxville, TN
Terra Madre: Women in Clay, Juried, Knoxville, TN (President)
Foothills Craft Guild, Juried, Knoxville, TN
Kentucky Guild of Artists and Craftsmen, Juried, Louisville, KY
Louisville Clay, Louisville, KY
Knoxville Arts and Culture Alliance, Knoxville, TN
Tennessee Craft Guild, Nashville, TN
Roots Up Gallery, Savannah, GA
National Council on the Education of Ceramic Arts (NCECA), Boulder, CO
Kentucky Department of the Arts Marketing Program, Juried, Louisville, KY