

# Taylor Sijan

Artist & Craftswoman

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## Education

2018 - 2021	<i>(Pending)</i> <b>Master of Fine Arts</b>	University of Nebraska-Lincoln	Lincoln, NE
2016 - 2017	<b>Post-Baccalaureate in Ceramics</b>	Wichita State University	Wichita, KS
2014 - 2016	<b>Bachelor of Fine Arts in 3-D Studies</b> <i>- Graduated Summa Cum Laude</i>	Bowling Green State University	Bowling Green, OH
2011 - 2012	<b>Associate of Arts</b>	Bowling Green State University	Bowling Green, OH

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## Teaching Experience

2020	Fall	<i>(Pending)</i> <b>Instructor of Record - Wheel Throwing</b>	University of Nebraska-Lincoln	Lincoln, NE
	Summer	<i>(Canceled)</i> <b>Adjunct Instructor - Wheel Throwing</b>	University of Nebraska-Lincoln	Lincoln, NE
	Spring	<b>Teaching Assistant - Beginner Wheel Throwing</b>	University of Nebraska-Lincoln	Lincoln, NE
2019	Fall	<b>Instructor of Record - 3D Design</b>	University of Nebraska-Lincoln	Lincoln, NE
2018	Fall	<b>Teaching Assistant - Intermediate Handbuilding</b>	University of Nebraska-Lincoln	Lincoln, NE
	Fall	<b>Teaching Assistant - 3D Design</b>	University of Nebraska-Lincoln	Lincoln, NE
2016 - 2017		<b>Student Instructor - Community Build-A-Bowl</b>	Empty Bowls Wichita	Wichita, KS

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## Professional Experience, Leadership & Abilities

2020	Spring	<b>Medici Gallery Student Manager</b> (Experienced with patching, sanding, and painting walls and other gallery maintenance; arranging and lighting exhibitions; scheduling and working with student and alumni artists to meet their needs within a professional gallery space; and publicizing events through social media.)	Medici Gallery	Lincoln, NE
	Spring	<b>President - Clay Club</b>	University of Nebraska-Lincoln	Lincoln, NE
2019	Fall	<b>Vice President - Clay Club</b> (Responsible for coordinating with professional visiting artists, the School of Art, Ceramics department, and Ceramics students to facilitate booking travel and accommodations, demonstrations, lectures, and critiques.)	University of Nebraska-Lincoln	Lincoln, NE
	Fall	<b>Glaze Formulation Technician</b> (Knowledge of raw ceramic material qualities, clay and glaze formulation, firing, and testing; extensive experience with developing and firing glazes in electric, gas, and atmospheric kilns; troubleshooting glaze flaws; glaze development and material theory.)	University of Nebraska-Lincoln	Lincoln, NE

Spring	<b>Gas Kiln Maintenance / Construction</b> (Experienced with leading a team during construction of gas burner systems, construction of hard and soft brick gas kilns, kiln maintenance and repair, and cutting steel; general understanding of gas kiln design theory and safety.)	University of Nebraska-Lincoln	Lincoln, NE
2018 - 2019	<b>Electric Kiln Technician</b> (Experienced with computerized and manual sitter L&L and Skutt kiln maintenance and diagnosis; replacement of elements, thermocouples, and switches; basic rewiring.)	University of Nebraska-Lincoln	Lincoln, NE
	<b>Secretary - Clay Club</b>	University of Nebraska-Lincoln	Lincoln, NE
2016 - 2018	<b>Event Operations Assistant &amp; Guard</b> (Experienced with working with a team of students to set up and work large public events within the Museum, such as opening receptions, artist lectures, tours, and outdoor children's fairs; shuttled patrons to/from events.)	Ulrich Museum of Art	Wichita, KS
	<b>Secretary - Ceramics Guild</b>	Wichita State University	Wichita, KS
2017	<b>Student Manager of Volunteer Operations</b> (Coordinated student volunteers for Empty Bowls Wichita charity events such as promoting, demoing, and teaching techniques at outdoor fairs, local public schools, and the Ulrich Museum of Art; responsible for soliciting donations from restaurants for charitable causes; organized a large group of volunteers during the event; and worked with the Kansas Food Bank board to organize ceramics-related events to their benefit.)	Empty Bowls Wichita Board	Wichita, KS
2016 - 2017	<b>Contributing Artist, Volunteer, Instructor</b>	Empty Bowls Wichita	Wichita, KS
	<b>President - Student Metals Art Council</b>	Bowling Green State University	Bowling Green, OH
	<b>Trip Coordinator - Clay Club</b> (Responsible for coordinating with students and the School of Art for booking accommodations and travel to/from the annual National Council on Education in the Ceramic Arts Conference, and working with students to secure individual grant funding to attend the event.)	Bowling Green State University	Bowling Green, OH
2015	<b>Publicist - Clay Club</b> (Extensive knowledge of social media marketing and branding on Instagram, Facebook, and online websites; developed promotional materials through photography, Adobe Lightroom, Illustrator, and Photoshop.)	Bowling Green State University	Bowling Green, OH
	<b>Secretary - Student Metals Art Council</b>	Bowling Green State University	Bowling Green, OH

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## Assistant & Intern Experience

2019	Assistant to potter Dan Finnegan (5 days)	St. Croix Pottery Tour	St. Croix, MN
	Technical Assistant to Kenyon Hansen (2 weeks)	Haystack Mountain School of Crafts	Deer Isle, ME
2018	Assistant to potter John Cohorst (1 week)	SAW Studio	Carbondale, CO
2017	Workshop assistant to potter Todd Hayes (2 days)	Wichita State University	Wichita, KS
	Assistant (1 day)	Dallas Pottery Invitational	Dallas, TX
	Assistant to potter Brenda Lichman (3 months)		Wichita, KS
2016	Intern for potter Andrew Gilliatt (4 months)	Bowling Green State University	Bowling Green, OH

2015	Intern for sculptor John Balistreri (4 months)	Bowling Green State University	Bowling Green, OH
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### Artist Residencies

2017 - 2018	Artist in Residence - Ceramics (August - July)	Wichita State University	Wichita, KS
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### Lectures & Demonstrations

2019	Demonstration, Layered Surfaces on Clay	Sheldon Museum of Art	Lincoln, NE
	Lecture, "Shining Light on Photo Editing"	2019 NCECA Conference	Minneapolis, MN
	Lecture, "Shining Light on Photo Editing"	University of Nebraska-Lincoln	Lincoln, NE
2017	Demonstration, Throwing	Open Streets ICT	Wichita, KS
2016	Lecture, Post-Baccalaureate Artist Talk	Wichita State University	Wichita, KS
2010	Lecture, Artist Talk	Port Clinton Artists' Club	Port Clinton, OH

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### Awards, Grants & Fellowships

2019	Best Use of Color, <i>Strictly Functional 2019</i>	Amaco, Lancaster Creative Factory	Lancaster, PA
	NCECA Invitation to Taovichuan Fall Art Fair	JAEA International Arts Centre	Jingdezhen, China
	Worth Student Travel Grant	University of Nebraska-Lincoln	Lincoln, NE
	H-L Graduate Student Student (Domestic) Grant	University of Nebraska-Lincoln	Lincoln, NE
	H-L Graduate Student Creative Activity Grant	University of Nebraska-Lincoln	Lincoln, NE
	Matthias Lloyd Spiegel Scholarship	Haystack Mountain School of Crafts	Deer Isle, ME
2018 - 2020	Edgren Fellowship	University of Nebraska-Lincoln	Lincoln, NE
	Kimmel Fellowship	University of Nebraska-Lincoln	Lincoln, NE
	Hixson-Lied Fellowship	University of Nebraska-Lincoln	Lincoln, NE
2018	Hixson-Lied Graduate Student Presentation Grant	University of Nebraska-Lincoln	Lincoln, NE
	Arts and Design Advocates Grant	Arts and Design Advocates	Wichita, KS
	Anderson Ranch Scholarship	Anderson Ranch	Snowmass, CO
2016	Athena Society Regional Artist Grant	Athena Art Society	Toledo, OH
	NICHE Award for Student - Ceramic Sculpture	NICHE Magazine	Baltimore, MD
	Medici Circle Grant	Bowling Green State University	Bowling Green, OH
2015	Junior BFA Talent Award (2015-2016)	Bowling Green State University	Bowling Green, OH

Honorable Mention in Ceramics

Bowling Green State University

Bowling Green, OH

## Exhibitions (\* denotes juried exhibition)

2020	<i>(Canceled) Artist: Taylor Sijan</i>	Clay Akar	Iowa City, IA
	<i>(Canceled) Collaborative Companions III</i>	Companion Gallery	Humboldt, TN
	<i>(Canceled) Up Next</i>	Eisentrager-Howard Gallery	Lincoln, NE
	<i>(Canceled) VAP Exhibition</i>	Turbine Flats	Lincoln, NE
	<i>(Canceled) 2020 NCECA Gallery Expo</i>	2020 NCECA Conference	Richmond, VA
	<i>(Canceled) Collaborative Companions III</i>	2020 NCECA Conference	Richmond, VA
	<b>Solo Exhibition: Panacea</b>	Medici Gallery	Lincoln, NE
2019	<i>2019 Americano Invitational</i>	Clay Akar	Iowa City, IA
	<i>C3: Cultivating Ceramic Collaboration</i>	Lux Center for the Arts	Lincoln, NE
	<b>Two-Person Exhibition: Flora &amp; Fauna</b>	In Tandem Gallery	Bakersville, NC
	<i>Gifted</i>	Lux Center for the Arts	Lincoln, NE
	<i>Breath from Afar</i>	Taoxichuan Art Center	Jingdezhen, China
	<i>* Strictly Functional</i>	Lancaster Creative Factory	Lancaster, PA
	<i>Faculty and Assistant Exhibition</i>	Haystack Mountain School of Crafts	Deer Isle, ME
	<i>Indelible</i>	Sink Salon Studio	Lincoln, NE
	<i>* Off Center: 3rd Annual International Ceramic Show</i>	Blue Line Arts	Roseville, CA
	<i>* Small Favors</i>	The Clay Studio	Philadelphia, PA
	<i>First-Hand</i>	Northwestern University of Missouri	Maryville, MO
2018	<i>MEDICI 25th Anniversary Exhibition</i>	Eisentrager-Howard Gallery	Lincoln, NE
	<i>Gifted: Annual Winter Show</i>	Lux Center for the Arts	Lincoln, NE
	<i>VAP Annual Exhibition</i>	University of Nebraska-Lincoln	Lincoln, NE
	<i>Wichita National 2018 Ceramic Invitational</i>	Reuben Saunders Gallery	Wichita, KS
	<i>* Thrown and Altered</i>	Clay Arts Vegas	Las Vegas, NV
	<i>* Last Call III</i>	Companion Gallery	Humboldt, TN
	<i>* 6th Central Time Ceramics Exhibition</i>	Bradley University Galleries	Peoria, IL
	<i>* 11th International Texas Teapot Tournament</i>	TEAplusART Gallery	Houston, TX

2017	<i>Perception and Process</i>	City Arts	Wichita, KS
	* <i>Mug Shots</i>	Lux Center for the Arts	Lincoln, NE
	<i>Wichita National 2017 Ceramic Invitational</i>	Reuben Saunders Gallery	Wichita, KS
	* <i>Cup: the Intimate Object XIII</i>	Charlie Cummings Gallery	Apex, NC
	* <i>Wichita National All Media Exhibition</i>	Mark Arts	Wichita, KS
	* <i>Serve It Up</i>	Clay Arts Vegas	Las Vegas, NV
	* <i>First Annual Dog's Eye Gallery Mug Show</i>	Dog's Eye Gallery	San Marcos, TX.
	* <i>Off Center: International Ceramic Art Show</i>	Blue Line Arts	Roseville, CA
	* <i>Purposeful Pottery</i>	Blue Line Arts	Roseville, CA
	* <i>Images on Clay</i>	Clay Arts Vegas	Las Vegas, NV
	* <i>7th Annual Art &amp; Earth Exhibition</i>	Berkeley Art Works	Martinsburg, WV
2016	<i>Empty Bowls Wichita Invitational Exhibition</i>	Reuben Saunders Gallery	Wichita, KS
	* <i>KACA Material Mastery Exhibition</i>	Regier Friesen Gallery	Hesston, KS
	<i>Things Could Get Messy</i>	Reuben Saunders Gallery	Wichita, KS
	<i>Spring Woodfire Exhibition</i>	Gustin Gallery	South Dartmouth, MA
	* <i>Art from the Heartland</i>	Indianapolis Art Center	Indianapolis, IN
	* <i>Ohio Designer Craftsmen Best of 2016</i>	Ohio Craft Museum	Columbus, OH
	<i>BFA Thesis Exhibition</i>	Bowling Green State University	Bowling Green, OH
	* <i>NICHE Awards Finalist Exhibition</i>	American Made Show	Baltimore, MD
2015	* <i>8th Annual Gulf Coast State Cup Show</i>	Amelia Center Gallery	Panama City, FL
	* <i>Contents May Vary</i>	Pewabic	Detroit, MI
	* <i>Northwest Ohio Community Art Exhibition</i>	Bowling Green State University	Bowling Green, OH

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**Exhibitions Coordinated, Curated & Juried**

2019	Coordinator, <i>C3: Cultivating Ceramic Collaboration</i>	Lux Center for the Arts	Lincoln, NE
	Coordinator, <i>Indelible</i>	Sink Salon Studio	Lincoln, NE
2016	Juror - <i>Forging Ahead</i>	Bowling Green Public Library	Bowling Green, OH

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## Publications

- 2020 *Ceramics Monthly*: "Emerging Artists"; *Ceramics Monthly*, May 2020, p.34 (photos and text)  
 2019 *Ceramics Monthly*: "Exposure"; *Ceramics Monthly*, November 2019, p.13 (photo and text)  
*NCECA Journal 2019*: "Shining Light on Photo Editing"; NCECA, 2019, p. 169-171 (photos and text)
- 2016 *Ceramic Arts Yearbook 2017*: "2016 NICHE Awards"; *Ceramics Monthly*, 2017, p. 47 (photos)

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## Collections

Taoxichuan Art Center Jingdezhen, China

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## Gallery Affiliations

Clay Akar Iowa City, IA

Eutectic Gallery Portland, OR

Hands of Time Gallery Lindsborg, KS

In Tandem Gallery Bakersville, NC

Lux Center for the Arts Lincoln, NE

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## International Travel

- 2019 Traveled to Shanghai and Jingdezhen, China (1 week)

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## Professional Organizations

- 2020 International Ceramic Artists Network  
 2016 - Present National Council on Education for the Ceramic Arts  
 2015 - 2016 Society of North American Goldsmiths

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## References

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