

# Karen Bolton

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## EDUCATION

MFA, Ceramics, Edinboro University of Pennsylvania, Edinboro, PA, 2005-2008

BFA, Ceramics, Northern Arizona University, Flagstaff, AZ, 2001-2004

BS, Biology, Towson University, Towson, MD, 1993-1998

## TEACHING AND PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

2008-present Adjunct Art Faculty, Austin Community College, Austin, TX

2009-2010 Adjunct Art Faculty, Texas State University, San Marcos, TX

2008-2010 Ceramics Instructor, St. Andrews Episcopal Upper School, Austin, TX

2008-2010 Ceramics Instructor, Austin Museum of Art at Laguna Gloria, Austin, TX

2006-2008 Teaching Assistant of Ceramics, Edinboro University, Edinboro, PA

2005-2008 Ceramic Studio Technician, Edinboro University, Edinboro, PA

2007-2008 Gallery Assistant, Bruce Gallery, Edinboro University, Edinboro, PA

2005-2007 Treasurer of EUP Clay Club, Edinboro University, Edinboro, PA

2003-2005 Studio Potter, Pennsylvania Renaissance Faire, Mt. Hope, PA

2002-2004 Vice President of NAU Clay Club, Northern Arizona University, Flagstaff, AZ

## EXHIBITIONS & PUBLIC ART INSTALLATIONS (SELECTION)

2013 Faculty Exhibition, Austin Community College, Austin, TX

2013 West Side Studio Tour, Austin Community College, Austin, TX

2012 Faculty Exhibition, Austin Community College, Austin, TX

2012 Austin-Bergstrom Airport, Austin, TX

2011 Claymates: Cara Jung and Karen Bolton, NCECA, Tampa Bay, FL

2010 Critical Santa Fe, Santa Fe Community College, Santa Fe, NM

2010 E.A.S.T. Eastside Studio Tour, Austin TX

2010 CLAY (group show), Dougherty Arts Center, Austin, TX

2010 Faculty Exhibition, Austin Community College, Austin, TX

2009 Gatehouse Ceramics Exhibit, Austin Museum of Art/Laguna Gloria, Austin, TX

2009 Austin Community College Faculty Exhibit, University of Texas Performing Arts Center, Austin, TX

2009 People's Gallery, Austin City Hall, Austin, TX

2009 Austin Community College Faculty Exhibit, Highlands Business Center, Austin TX

2008 84th Annual Spring Show, Erie Art Museum, Erie, PA

2008 Slipstream : Karen Bolton and Tomas Schneider, NCECA, Pittsburgh, PA

2008 Terra Nova: Steve Kemenyffy, Karen Bolton, Gregory Byard, Mike Angellotti, Brandon O'Hara, NCECA, Pittsburgh, PA (invitational)

- 2007 Erie Bayfront Convention Center, permanent installation, Erie, PA
- 2006 Skin Deep, Francis Marion University, Florence, SC
- 2006 Edinboro University Graduate Exhibition, Meadville Council on the Arts Gallery, Meadville, PA
- 2006 32ND Annual October Evenings Exhibition, Heeschen Gallery, Meadville, PA
- 2006 International Orton cone Box Show, NCECA, Portland, OR
- 2006 The Mad Hatters Tea Exhibition, Armory Art Center, West Palm Beach, FL
- 2006 The Suitcase Boogie, The Jupiter Hotel Gallery, (invitational) NCECA, Portland, OR
- 2005 Edinboro University Graduate Student Exhibition, Bruce Gallery, Edinboro, PA
- 2005 82nd Annual Spring Show, Erie Art Museum, Erie, PA
- 2005 Edinboro University Student, Faculty, and Alumni Exhibition, (invitational), Star Spangled Banner Gallery, Baltimore, MD
- 2005 31St Annual October Evenings Exhibition, Heeschen Gallery, Meadville, PA
- 2005 EUP Ceramics Exhibition, Office of the Dean of Fine Arts, Edinboro, PA
- 2005 Earth'N'Ware Ellen Tibbets Benefit Exhibition, (invitational), Flagstaff, AZ
- 2005 Chimera Exhibition, Erie Art Museum, Erie, PA
- 2004 BFA Exhibition, Beasley Gallery, Northern Arizona University, Flagstaff, AZ
- 2004 International Orton Cone Box Show, NCECA, (traveling), Indianapolis, IN
- 2004 100 Teapots 2, Baltimore Clayworks, Baltimore, MD
- 2004 It's Elemental, Coconino Center for the Arts, Flagstaff, AZ
- 2003 Director's Choice Student Exhibition, Beasley Gallery, Northern Arizona University
- 2003 Northern Arizona University Faculty and Students, NCECA, Studio G, San Diego, CA
- 2002 Student Art Exhibition, Beasley Gallery, Northern Arizona University, Flagstaff, AZ
- 2002 Solo Exhibition, Don Bendel Gallery, Flagstaff, AZ
- 2002 Bendel With Friends, Leedy-Voukos Art Center, Kansas City, MO

## **AWARDS AND HONORS**

- 2006 Honorable Mention Award, 32nd Annual October Evenings Exhibition, Meadville, PA
- 2006 Phyllis Clark Functional Ceramics Scholarship, Wooster Center for the Arts, Wooster, OH
- 2006 John Vanco Award, Best 3-D work, Chimera Exhibition, Erie Art Museum, Erie, PA
- 2005 James Blair Functional Ceramics Scholarship, Wooster Center for the Arts, Wooster, OH
- 2004 NICHE Student Awards Finalist, Baltimore, MD
- 2004 Magna cum Laude, Northern Arizona University, Flagstaff, AZ
- 2003 Fredrick J. Dochsteadar Endowment Scholarship, Northern Arizona University, Flagstaff, AZ

2003 Director's Choice Award, Student Exhibition, Northern Arizona University, Flagstaff, AZ

## **PUBLICATIONS**

- 2013 *Fusion Magazine*, online:  
<http://austinfusionmagazine.com/2013/04/28/karen-bolton-in-certain-circles/>, by Jessica Hudson
- 2008 Buffington, David, "Bolton Art to Display in Erie," *The Sun*, March 12, 2008, p. 9.
- 2007 *Ceramics Monthly*, October 2007, p. 65.
- 2007 Frederick, Robb, "Big building requires big art", *Erie Times News*, December 26, 2007, pp. B1-B3.
- 2006 *Shop Talk* Vol. 3, "Gary Spinosa: Of The Knowing Eyes", Spring 2006, pp. 7-13.
- 2006 *School of Graduate Studies and Research Newsletter* Vol. 5, Issue 2, p. 4.
- 2005 *Chimera Literary Art Journal* Vol. 3, Spring 2005, pp. 132-135.
- 2005 Triplett, Kathy. *500 CUPS*, Lark Books, p. 308.
- 2004 *NICHE Magazine for Progressive Retailers*, Spring 2004, p. 78.
- 2004 *Catalog: Baltimore Clayworks*, High Tea 2 Exhibition.
- 2004 Schultz, Erika, "Ceramics Courses Fire Up Attention", *The Lumberjack Axe*, April 21-27 2004, Flagstaff, AZ.

## **WORKSHOPS PRESENTED**

- 2010 Greater Austin Ceramic Artist Association (GACA), St. Edward's University, Austin, TX
- 2009 Greater Austin Ceramic Artist Association (GACA), St. Edward's University, Austin, TX
- 2008 Friendship Preschool, Swickely, PA
- 2007 University of Costa Rica, San Jose, Costa Rica
- 2006 Stonehaus Architectural Ceramics Studio, Pensacola, FL
- 2006 Biennial Education Conference, Edinboro University, Edinboro, PA

## **COLLECTIONS AND PUBLIC INSTALLATIONS**

- 2007 Erie Bayfront Convention Center, (Permanent Public Art Installation) Erie, PA
- 2007 Edinboro University of Pennsylvania (President's House), Edinboro, PA
- 2006 Architectural Ceramic Installation, Blue Moon Cafe, Lebanon, PA
- 2005 Northern Arizona University, (Office of the Registrar), Flagstaff, AZ