

O'KEEFE POTTERY

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FUNCTIONAL WHEEL-THROWN, WOOD-FIRED POTTERY

APPRENTICESHIPS:

Hewitt Pottery- Pittsboro, NC Potter's Apprentice August 2006 to December 2006

- Made wheel-thrown pottery
- Helped with pottery chores; clay making, glazing, kiln loading/unloading
- Assisted with wood-firings

Jugtown Pottery – Seagrove, NC. Potter's Apprentice, 2001-2004

- Made a variety of functional items such as dinnerware, planters, bowls, mugs etc..
- Assisted with glazing, loading and firing gas car kiln and traditional groundhog kilns
- Worked in sales area

Mangum Pottery – Weaverville, NC. Potter's Apprentice, 1999-2001

- Made slab-built plates, platters, wheel-thrown bowls, wedged and recycled clay, mixed glazes; responsible for all glaze and bisque firings- gas and electric
- Assisted sales and set-up/take-down of craft show sales displays
- Packed, shipped, delivered outgoing pottery

WORKSHOPS & CLASSES ATTENDED:

- **Asheville Buncombe Community College**
- **Arrowmont School of Crafts** – Mark Peters
- **Odyssey Center for the Ceramic Arts** – Becca Floyd, Will Ruggles, Douglas Rankin, Mark Hewitt
- **Claymakers** – Gertrude Graham Smith

WORKSHOPS GIVEN:

Arts Incubator – Siler City, NC. Workshop Instructor, Fall 2004

- Taught workshop on lidded forms on the potters wheel
- Assisted in “once-fired pottery workshop” taught by Joseph Cole

EDUCATION:

Warren Wilson College – Swannanoa, NC
Bachelor of Science degree in Human Studies, 1996