

Scenic City Clay Arts Wheel 2 Syllabus

Student Learning Objectives

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- Refine foundational pottery skills, focusing on precision and control.
- Build confidence in handling more complex forms and designs.
- Practice wheel trimming and finishing techniques to refine forms and add details.
- Learn to throw larger pieces while maintaining structural integrity.
- Develop problem-solving skills to troubleshoot common issues encountered during wheel throwing.
- Foster creativity and personal expression through the creation of unique pottery pieces.

Topic Outline/Schedule

Week 1: *Skill Assessment & Advanced Cylinders*

- Revisit cylinder throwing to assess and refine your skills.
- *Challenge: Throw a 8" x 4" cylinder to improve control and consistency.*

Week 2: *Exploring Bowl Forms*

- Throw bowls with a focus on experimenting with various shapes and sizes.
- Learn techniques for creating wide, deep, and decorative bowl forms.
- *Challenge: Make the widest bowl you can with 2 lbs of clay*

Week 3: *Trimming & Handle Techniques*

- Master trimming on the wheel for refined, balanced forms.
- Practice advanced handle techniques, including integrated and decorative styles.
- *Challenge: Create 4 identical handles or 2 identical trimmings*

Week 4: *Timed Throwing & Larger Pieces*

- Work on throwing larger, more complex forms to push your skills further.
- *Challenge: Participate in a timed throwing challenge to improve efficiency and focus.*

Week 5: *Skill Refinement & Finishing Work*

- Choose a personal challenge skill to refine (e.g., lids, sets, or altered forms).

- Complete and finish all pieces: trimming, attaching handles, or adding decorative elements.

Week 6: Glazing & Surface Design

- Glaze and underglaze all completed pieces, exploring advanced techniques like layering or resist methods.
- Wrap up the class with a discussion of progress and accomplishments.

What's Next

- Look out for post class emails
 - Survey email
 - Pick up email
 - Pick up will be at the Member Studio. You should expect pieces to be finished 1 month after final class day.
- Take another class!
 - If you feel like you could use more practice take another Wheel 2, maybe from another instructor to see a different style.
 - If you are ready to move to the next step, take an intermediate topical class.
 - Try a different technique, check out our Handbuilding classes.
- Member Waitlist
 - Join our membership waitlist on our [website](#)