

Pottery Workshop @ BVS

For those of who are intrigued, here's some information about the History of Pottery making.....

As one of the oldest human inventions, pottery has been around since before the Neolithic period, with objects dating as far back to 29,000 BC. Sometime between 6,000 and 4,000 BC, the first potter's wheel was invented in Mesopotamia. This brought about a revolution in the way ancient people could create items out of clay. No longer were pottery makers restricted to the long process of hand molding clay — they were then able to have more freedom in experimenting with new forms and aesthetics.





While pottery had always had intrinsic artistic qualities, when the potter's wheel arrived, it shifted the process even more. Instead of serving utilitarian purposes, it now served artistic ones. From intricate painted designs that told the history of a Pharaoh's reign to highly polished bowls and plates to elaborate animal figures, ceramists attained remarkable skill and ability that was never seen before, thanks to the invention of the potter's wheel.

Today besides artistic purposes , thanks to mass production techniques using electric pottery wheels , this historic art of pottery making is serving several utilitarian purposes too.

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