

Ildiko Repasi is from Transylvania, Romania. As a child she has rescued... (it is a euphemism for snatching in her vocabulary) various urban animals from pregnant porcupines to injured crows from City parks that she has hidden in drawers of credenzas in the family's high rise apartment. Later she has studied ceramics at the Ion Andreescu Art Institute in Cluj-Napoca In 1984 she moved to Budapest Hungary where one night with her husband, Laszlo Sulyok, they missed a turn while driving to her mother-in-laws house for a dinner party and ended up in the United States after various detours with their English pointer. When finally they arrived in the States they had an emergency landing on a dirt runway for crop plains in Iowa on the board of a commuter plain from New York. Soon after they moved to Chicago where she has earned her MFA at the Art Institute of Chicago. After various college teaching gigs, public art commissions and exhibitions in Mexico, Canada, Europe and all over in the US, Ildiko and Laszlo moved to NYS to the Catskill Mountains where they started their fiber farm, GoatSheepShop www.GoatSheepShop.com and their dog training and boarding business. This gave Ildiko the opportunity to practice her art by working with wool and animal husbandry, her lifelong dream. They bought their first Pumi in 2008(?) strictly for herding sheep and goats. By 2013 Ildiko has imported two additional Pumis and established Catskill Pumi Kennel. www.catskillpumi.com. Since than, she has extensively traveled all over Europe, Norway, Finland, Sweden, Italy, Austria and Hungary (wherever she could find Pumis) to learn, show and breed. Today, Catskill Pumis are frequent participants at various dog sport trial and conformation shows.