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Hand Building Techniques in Ceramics

Dates: 05/11/2026, 22/04/2027

Locations: Lisson Grove Centre

On this short course, you will learn hand building and surface decoration techniques. These include pinching, coiling, slab building, press moulding, slip application, stamping and sprigging.

Entry Requirements

The course is ideal for beginners or those who have some understanding of ceramic processes and would like to work more independently.

What topics does the course cover?

Hand-building techniques including clay preparation, pinch pots, coil pots, soft slab and hard slab-building and press moulding. Surface decoration techniques of stamping, sprigging and slip application, which includes painting, sponging, resist, mono printing, stencilling, inlay.

How will I be taught and assessed?

Learners will receive feedback on progress from the tutor on a regular basis. At the end of the course learners will assess their individual progress and progression with the tutor.

Are there any other costs or equipment I need to get?

All equipment, decoration and glaze materials are included, we do make a small charge (priced per kilo) for the clay used before the first firing only.

By the end of the course what should I be able to do?

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What are the progression opportunities following this course?

You can develop your skills further on one of our specialist short courses, or take an accredited course in Ceramics starting in September.