

4-H CERAMIC GUIDELINES

The following are guidelines to provide learning experiences in ceramics.

GENERAL GUIDELINES FOR ALL MEMBERS

1. Learn ceramic skills for lifetime leisure and vocational pursuits.
2. Learn names and uses of tools.
3. Learn how to select pieces, materials, tools and brushes.
4. Learn types and uses of brushes.
5. Learn the correct way of cleaning greenware. (Cleaning of greenware is an art in itself. Seams should not show.) Pieces must be cleaned by exhibitor!
6. Learn the correct way of brushing on paint. (All stains and glazes should be applied evenly and smoothly. On glazes there should be no dripping on the bottom of piece.)
7. PUT NAME AND DATE ON BOTTOM OF EACH PIECE. ALL PIECES MUST HAVE BOTTOMS FINISHED WITH PAINT OR FELT.
8. Learn how to combine colors for harmony or contrast.
9. Colors should blend well together.
10. Be creative and original.

For fair: please enter 1 complete ceramic piece.

EXPERIENCE GUIDELINES

Beginner:

1. Should be simple piece.
2. Appropriate craft suggestions: Antiquing Stains; unusual decorated pieces, gold, metallic, bronze, jewels, chinks, drybrush and other Stain and Glaze on Same Piece Plaster Crafts Porcelain.

Intermediate:

1. The 4-H'er should further is/her knowledge of ceramics and not repeat the same type of item as he/she finished the previous year.
2. Appropriate craft suggestions: Transluents Antiquing Underglazing; more than eyes, nose, etc. Glazing; one or more glazes Decorating Greenware Air Brushing Miscellaneous; unusual decorated pieces, gold, metallic, bronze, jewels, chinks, drybrush and other Stain and Glaze on Same Piece Plaster Crafts Porcelain

Advanced:

1. The 4-H'er should feel more comfortable and ready to use his or her imagination in finishing a ceramic piece.

2. Appropriate craft suggestions: Transluents Antiquing Decals Hand decorated pieces Underglazing; more than eyes, nose, etc. Glazing; one or more glazes Decorating Greenware Air Brushing Miscellaneous; unusual decorated pieces, gold, metallic, bronze, jewels, chinks, drybrush and other Stain and Glaze on Same Piece Plaster Crafts Porcelain