



## Pottery Classes ~ 2014

The ClayFox Clay School is for people who want to develop basic clay throwing skills on the potters wheel, learn more advanced techniques or for people who just want to “Try-It” have fun and get muddy!

Classes are limited to 5 to 8 people in a session and held in my own professional potter’s studio. And of course there’s food too!

### Classes:

#### “Just Try-It!”

Always thought it looked like fun to throw clay on the potter’s wheel? Here’s your chance to just try it! Spend one 2 1/2 hour session giving the wheel a spin. We supply materials, basic instruction and hands-on assistance. You’ll get a feel for the clay and discover the magic of making functional objects on the potter’s wheel. This is a great class for the curious, a girls night out experience or couples who want to get down and dirty together! No experience required and of course there will be some gourmet food included!

**Classes:** \$38 for two and a half hours including a demo time, hands on the wheel, 5 lbs of clay to play with, all the tools of the trade and a breakfast treat for morning classes, soup/salad lunch for day classes or luscious desert for evening classes. You’ll end up with one pot that will be glazed and fired for you (or glaze your own) to remember the experience.

#### Beginning / Intermediate Pottery Wheel Work

How do you work with clay on the pottery wheel? This class is for students with no or a little clay experience who are interested in learning basic skills at the potter’s wheel for creating functional work. Demonstrations will cover wedging, centering, and forming well thrown simple shapes such as vases, bowls and plates. You will learn basic glazing and decorating techniques and be introduced to electric and gas kiln firing in the last of the 5 sessions.

**Classes:** \$175 for 5 weekly two and a half hours hour sessions. Each session includes a demo time, hands on the wheel, 5 lbs of clay to play with, all the tools of the trade to use and a breakfast treat for morning classes, soup/salad lunch for day classes or luscious desert for evening classes. You’ll end up with 6 pots to glaze in the last session that will be fired in a high fire stoneware kiln. More pots can be made for an additional clay and firing fee.

#### Introduction to Hand building—working with slabs of clay

Working with flat slabs of clay can produce many interesting pieces. Perhaps not as intimidating a first approach to working with clay as the fast rotating potter’s wheel! Demonstrations will show you how to use a slab roller, create pottery pieces, explore texture in many forms and finish the pieces. You’ll learn to work with the slab roller and make 4 different pieces to call your own masterpieces! No experience necessary to just have fun.

**Classes:** \$42 for two and a half hours including a demo time, working on your own slab pieces, 8 lbs of clay to play with, all the tools of the trade and a breakfast treat for morning classes, soup/salad lunch for day classes or luscious desert for evening classes. You’ll end up with 4 pots that will be glazed and fired for you to remember the experience. A separate glaze class is held if you want to glaze your own.

#### Private Lessons also available ~ for more personalized wheel work or slab building

**Classes:** \$20 per hour with a two hour minimum. Clay and materials are extra. Please inquire for times.

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Classes taught by Jill Smith, Professional potter for over 40 years

