

*On the Surface: Contemporary Ceramics*, April 9, 2021 – June 9, 2024

Dip, brush, pour, scratch, paint—there are countless ways to adorn ceramics. Some techniques are studied and passed down for generations, while others are proprietary. Many formulas for glazes are hard-won secrets: measured, mixed, and tested over and over again to achieve a desired color or effect. From the mid-1900s to today, artists working in ceramics have continued to revise old methods and experiment with new ones, drawing inspiration from the world around them and pushing the boundaries of their medium. These cases present seven different techniques for decorating ceramics – slip, sgraffito, unadorned, decals, texture, glaze, and painting—and the variety of approaches that artists have taken to each.

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## CHECKLIST OF THE EXHIBITION

James Makins, American, b. 1946  
*Dinner Plate*, 1981  
Porcelain with slip  
Edgar J. Lownes Fund **81.061.1**



James Makins, American, b. 1946  
*Compote*, 1981  
Porcelain with slip and glaze  
Edgar J. Lownes Fund **81.061.4**



Ron Nagle, American, b. 1939  
*Untitled (Cup)*, 1981  
Earthenware with paint and glaze  
Marken Scholes Shedd Memorial Fund **81.062**



Betty Woodman, American, 1930 - 2018; Denver; Colorado; Italy; (RISD Honorary Degree, 2009)  
*Mussel Server*, 1981  
Glazed stoneware  
Marken Scholes Shedd Memorial Fund **81.063**



Phillip Maberry, American, b. 1951  
*Bowl*, 1981  
Porcelain with glaze  
Edgar J. Lownes Fund, Marken Scholes Shedd Fund and the Georgianna Sayles Aldrich Fund **83.025**



Edwin Scheier, American, 1910-2008; fl. 1938-1950; Arizona; Mexico; New Hampshire  
Mary Scheier, American, 1908-2007; fl. 1938-1950; Arizona; Mexico; New Hampshire  
*Bowl*, ca. 1950  
Earthenware with slip, glaze, and sgraffito decoration  
Gift of Daphne Farago **84.243**



Kathryn Sharbaugh, American, b. 1948; holly; Michigan  
*Suspension Climb Teapot*, 1988

Porcelain with underglaze decoration

Museum purchase with the aid of the National Endowment for the Arts  
and the Marken Scholes Shedd Memorial Fund **1988.068**



Chris Gustin, American, b. 1952

*Teapot*, 1988

Stoneware with glaze

Museum purchase with the aid of the National Endowment for the Arts  
and the Marken Scholes Shedd Memorial Fund **1989.002**



Anne Kraus, American, 1957 - 2003

*Distant Echo Coffee Pot*, 1988

Whiteware with hand-painted underglaze decoration

Museum purchase with funds from the National Endowment for the Arts  
**1989.015**



Adrian Saxe, American, b. 1943

*Black Pattypan Teapot*, 1990

Porcelain with glaze

Walter H. Kimball Fund **1990.128**



Diane Mayo, American, 1948 - 2021  
*Niche Bottle*, 1991  
Raku-fired earthenware with glaze  
Gift of Vered Gallery **1991.172**



Lidya Buzio, American, b. Uruguay, 1948 - 2014; b. b. Montevideo,  
Uruguay; lived and worked in New York  
*Roofscape vessel*, 1991  
Earthenware with painting and burnished wax  
Nancy Sayles Day Collection of Modern Latin American Art **1991.187**



Kurt Weiser, American, b. 1950; Tempe; Arizona  
*Untitled Teapot*, 1992  
Porcelain with enamels and glaze  
Marken Scholes Shedd Memorial Fund **1992.046**



Xu Daming, Chinese, 1952 - 2016  
*Anticipation Teapot*, 1991  
Stoneware  
Georgianna Sayles Aldrich Fund **1993.005**



Ruth Duckworth, American, 1919 - 2009; Chicago  
*Untitled (Cup and Blade)*, 1988  
Porcelain  
Gift of Mr. and Mrs. Barnet Fain **1993.127**



Susan Thayer, American, b.1957; (RISD BFA 1982, Ceramics)  
*Guarding Eden with Butterflies #2*, 1995  
Porcelain with enamels and glaze  
Gift of Daphne and Peter Farago **1995.057.2**



Menêz, Portuguese, 1926-1995  
Ceramica de Bicesse, 1988-present  
*Tile*, ca. 1995  
Earthenware with enamel decoration and glaze  
Gift of Galeria Ratton Ceramicas **1996.7.2**



Farraday Newsome, American, b. 1955  
*Teapot with Oranges*, 1997  
Terracotta with glaze  
Daphne and Peter Farago Fund **1997.63**



Pablo Picasso, Spanish, 1881-1973; FRANCE  
Madoura Pottery, French, 1938-2007  
*Bowl*, ca. 1960  
Earthenware with slip, glaze, and sgraffito decoration  
Gift of Jean Fain in memory of her mother, Paula Segal **1998.11**



Warren MacKenzie, American, 1924 - 2018; Stillwater; Minnesota  
*Plate*, ca. 1980  
Stoneware with slip and glaze  
Gift of the d'Estang Collection **1998.60.2**



Warren MacKenzie, American, 1924 - 2018; Stillwater; Minnesota  
*Teapot*, late 1960s  
Stoneware  
Gift of the d'Estang Collection **1998.60.4**



Randy Johnston, American, b. 1950  
*Stacked Box*, 1998  
Stoneware with slip  
Gift of the d'Estang Collection **1998.60.13**



Hylton Nel, Zambian, b. 1941  
*Dish*, 1999  
Earthenware with glaze and enamel decoration  
Gift of Cindy and Scott Burns **1999.41.1**



Matthew Metz, American, b. 1961; Minnesota  
*Bowl*, ca. 1999  
Porcelain with slip, glaze, and sgraffito decoration  
Gift of Christopher Monkhouse in memory of Mary Hilliard Jackson  
**1999.43**



Gertrud Natzler, American, 1908-1971  
Otto Natzler, American, 1908-2007  
*Vase*, 1957  
Stoneware with glaze  
Gift of Mr. and Mrs. William A. Small, Jr. **1999.71.1**



Gertrud Natzler, American, 1908-1971  
Otto Natzler, American, 1908-2007  
*Bowl*, 1965  
Stoneware with glaze  
Gift of Mr. and Mrs. William A. Small, Jr. **1999.71.2**



Gertrud Natzler, American, 1908-1971  
Otto Natzler, American, 1908-2007  
*Bottle*, 1968  
Stoneware with glaze  
Gift of Mr. and Mrs. William A. Small, Jr. **1999.71.3**



Eunjung Park, Korean, b. 1971; (RISD MFA 1999, Ceramics)  
*Flower Teapot, 1999*  
Porcelain with glaze  
Gift of Thomas S. Michie in honor of Mary Hilliard Jackson **2000.45**



Steven Branfman, American, b. 1953; (RISD MAT 1975, Art Education)  
*Vessel, 1994*  
Raku-fired earthenware with glaze  
Gift of Dr. and Mrs. Joseph A. Chazan **2000.69**



Jody Folwell, Kha'p'oo Owinge (Santa Clara Pueblo), b. 1942; Santa Clara Pueblo  
Juanita Fragua, Jemez Pueblo, b. 1935  
*Pot, 1989*  
Ceramic  
Gift from the Collection of Mr. and Mrs. Barnet Fain **2001.80.35**



Vivika Heino, American, 1910 - 1995; RISD Faculty, Ceramics 1963-1965  
Otto Heino, American, 1915 - 2009; RISD Faculty, Ceramics 1963-1965  
*Bowl, ca. 1980*  
Porcelain with slip  
Gift of the Stokes Family **2002.60**





Wayne Bates, American, b.1943  
*Brushstroke platter*, ca. 1985  
Earthenware with slip, glaze, and sgraffito decoration  
Gift of Larry Day and Ruth Fine in honor of William and Catherine Daley  
**2002.82.1**



William Parry, American, 1918-2004  
*Decanter*, ca. 1960  
Stoneware with glaze  
Gift of Larry Day and Ruth Fine in honor of William and Catherine Daley  
**2002.82.14**



Rudolf Harry Staffel, American, 1911 - 2002  
*Light Gatherer*, ca. 1970-1980  
Porcelain  
Gift of Larry Day and Ruth Fine in honor of William and Catherine Daley  
**2002.82.16**



Rudolf Harry Staffel, American, 1911 - 2002  
*Light Gatherer*, ca. 1970-1980  
Porcelain  
Gift of Larry Day and Ruth Fine in honor of William and Catherine Daley  
**2002.82.21**



Rain Harris, American, b. 1969; (RISD BFA 1997, Ceramics)  
*Green Three-Lobe Poison Bottle*, 2002  
Porcelain with glaze, pearl, and wire  
Daphne Farago Purchase Fund **2003.42**



Makoto Yabe, Japanese, 1947 - 2005; Massachusetts  
*Tea Bowl*, 2003  
Stoneware with slip and glaze  
Gift of Bernie and Sue Pucker in honor of Fred and Edith Bloom  
**2004.17.1**



Makoto Yabe, Japanese, 1947 - 2005; Massachusetts  
*Vase*, 2003  
Stoneware with slip and glaze  
Gift of Bernie and Sue Pucker in honor of Mort Grossman **2004.17.2**



Frans Rudolf Wildenhain, American, 1905-1980  
*Chalice-Form Vase*, ca. 1960  
Stoneware with slip and glaze  
Gift of John A.Prip **2004.102.2**



Brother Thomas Bezanson, American, b. Canada, 1929-2007  
*Jar with Lid*, 1981  
Porcelain with glaze  
Gift of Frederick and Edith W. Bloom **2004.121.4**



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Brother Thomas Bezanson, American, b. Canada, 1929-2007  
*Plate*, ca. 1980  
Porcelain with glaze  
Gift of Frederick and Edith W. Bloom **2004.121.6**



Betty Woodman, American, 1930 - 2018; Denver; Colorado; Italy; (RISD  
Honorary Degree, 2009)  
Sevres Porcelain Manufactory, 1740-  
*Saint- Saëns Cup and Saucer*, 1986  
Porcelain with glaze and gilding  
Helen M. Danforth Acquisition Fund **2009.46**



Holly Hughes, American, b. 1951; (RISD Faculty, Painting)  
*Six Degrees of Separation*, 2014  
Earthenware with glaze and enamel decoration  
Helen M. Danforth Acquisition Fund **2015.45**



Randy Johnston, American, b. 1950  
*Plate*, ca. 2010  
Stoneware with glaze  
Gift of Nancy d'Estang **2015.47.4**



Randy Johnston, American, b. 1950  
*Plate*, ca. 2009  
Stoneware with slip  
Gift of Nancy d'Estang **2015.47.6**



Toshiko Takaezu, American, 1922 - 2011  
*Tea Bowl*, 1998  
Porcelain with glaze  
Gift of G. Daniel Massad **2015.81**



Kate Blacklock, American, b. 1957; (RISD MFA 1987,  
Sculpture/Ceramics; Adjunct RISD Faculty 2002-)  
*Vessel Form L*, 2015  
3-D printed ceramic with glaze  
Museum purchase: gift of Joseph A. Chazan, MD **2016.15**



Léopold L. Foulem, Canadian, 1945 - 2023  
*God Save the Queens*, 1994-1997  
Ceramic with decals, glaze, and metal  
Georgianna Sayles Aldrich Fund **2020.55**



Howard Kottler, American, 1930-1989  
*Incognito*, 1969  
Porcelain with decals and glaze  
Georgianna Sayles Aldrich Fund 2020.56.1



Howard Kottler, American, 1930-1989  
*Twins*, 1969  
Porcelain with decals and glaze  
Georgianna Sayles Aldrich Fund 2020.56.2

