

ARROWMONT

SCHOOL OF ARTS AND CRAFTS

Medium: Ceramics

Instructor: Sarah Truman

Dates: June 7-12, 2026

COURSE DESCRIPTION

If you've ever yearned, struggled, or bemoaned surface design, this workshop is for you. In this workshop, students will learn how to create intricate, layered surfaces on their pottery, and will explore a variety of techniques for decorating both greenware and bisque. Students will learn to build up layers of rich color and texture using underglazes, slips, and various resist methods. Students will intentionally build depth, texture, and visual narratives, experimenting with sgraffito, stenciling, stamping, and slip-trailing to create unique, multidimensional designs. Whether you are a beginner or a seasoned potter, this course is designed to help expand a decorative vocabulary, equipping one with a new set of skills to transform your pottery. While beginner students are welcome, some throwing experience is required.

WHAT TO BRING

- Throwing tools and bucket from home
- Wire tool from home
- Throwing Sponge
- Any paint brushes you love for decorating with slip and underglaze
- Plastic and any transportation containers for work at the end, both for wet clay and finished pots
- Needle tool and any other tools you like for carving and mark making
- Towel and Apron
- Flash drive (to protect and save data to and from Library computers)

Planning to purchase materials from the Supply Store for your workshop? Keep in mind that the Supply Store carries a limited selection and cannot guarantee that all materials listed by your instructor will be in stock. Please call **865-436-5860 Ext. 25** or email Celeste Rudd at **crudd@arrowmont.org** to reserve your selection prior to arrival.

MATERIALS FEES | **\$80.00-\$130.00**

Fees are assessed on an individual class basis and may vary from class to class depending on the amount of materials used and the number of students in the class, this keeps your out-of-pocket costs lower than a typical flat fee. Fees include all provided studio materials as assigned by the Instructor. Material fees are to be paid in the Supply Store no later than midday on the last day of workshop instruction.

Please be advised that the above course description and materials list has been written and approved by the instructor.

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