

# ARROWMONT

SCHOOL OF ARTS AND CRAFTS

Medium: Ceramics

Instructor: Tony Santoyo Bastida

Dates: June 14-19, 2026

## COURSE DESCRIPTION

This workshop is an immersive exploration of the fundamentals of clay hand-building, with a special focus on mark-making and surface design. Open to all skill levels—from the beginner learning basic slab and coil techniques to the experienced ceramicist seeking new expression—this course encourages deep personal engagement. Students will discover how to infuse their personality and identity into each piece, turning simple clay forms into unique reflections of their artistic voice. Through guided demonstrations, participants will learn how to intentionally create and apply textures, patterns, and relief to their work, transforming the surface into a powerful narrative tool. Students will leave with pieces that not only showcase technical skill but also express their own creativity and identity.

## WHAT TO BRING

- Palette Knife
- X-acto Knife (optional)
- Individual Clay Tools; wire cutter, ribs, needle tool, sponge(s), etc.
- Small Bucket for water
- Apron (optional)
- Decorating tools; mark-making, stamps, brushes, slip/glaze trailing bottles, etc.
- Underglazes, terra sigillata, glazes, etc for decorating
- 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](mailto:crudd@arrowmont.org) to reserve your selection prior to arrival.

## MATERIALS FEES | **\$110.00-\$170.00**

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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