



I was born in the foothills of the Rocky Mountains. My first experience with clay was getting my boots stuck in the gumbo during the spring thaw. I hated mud, so it is ironic that I developed a passion for working with clay.

Clay captured me like the boot stuck in the gumbo, and after 30 years the rapture continues. From my first class over 30 years ago and throughout my life as a potter, I still find myself designing pots as I fall asleep at night. I enjoy the physicality of clay and pushing it to its limits. My eclectic style can be explained by the synergies that evolve from traveling, teaching, creating, exhibiting and having a curious nature.

I come from a family of makers. Though clay is my chosen medium, I delight in combining it with other materials. Not limited by tradition, my inspiration comes from nature and industry, usually resulting in works on the edge of function. This seems to be a reflection of this segment my life where I divide my time between Burnaby and the Nicola Valley. I have the best of both worlds. The serene setting at my Stump Lake studio is conducive for creating 'one of a kind' pieces and I am rewarded by motivating and inspiring others through my work at the Shadbolt Centre of the Arts.

Education

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2019	NCECA Conference, Minneapolis Min
	Workshop with Michael Kline
2018	Confluence: a Wood Firing Conference, Helena MT
	Medalta Residency, Medicine Hat AB
2017	NCECA Conference, Portland, OR
2016	NCECA Conference, Kansas City
2014	NCECA Conference, Milwaukee, WI
2013	Wood-firing with John Neeley
	Workshop with Beth Cavener
	Workshop with Nan Jakobsohn
	Workshop with Takeshi Yasuda
2012	Workshop with Jim Robison
	NCECA Conference, Seattle, WA
	Soda Firing Workshop, Gail Nichols
2011	Workshop with Bob Kingsmill
	Workshop with Nan Jacobson
2010	Wood-firing Workshop, Jack Troy & Robert Barron
	NCECA Conference, Philadelphia, PA
	Vince Pitelka Workshop
	1st European Woodfire Conference, Germany
	3rd ICMEA Symposium, Fuping, China
2009	NCECA Conference, Phoenix, AZ

Masakazu Kusakabe, Ombu kiln

maintenance and firing

2008	Vince Pitelka Workshop
2007	Peter Flannigan Glaze Workshop
2007	Santos Minosa Mural Workshop Clay Edge Symposium, Gulgong, Australia
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2006	Diane Creber, Crystalline Glazing Workshop Chris Staley Workshop, Janet Mansfield
2000	Workshop/Wood Firing
	Medalta International Artists in Residency
	20+1 Years of the Tozan Kilns -
	International Woodfire Conference,
	University of Northern Arizona
	NCECA 2006, Portland Oregon
2005	Paul Davis Workshop/Wood Firing
2004	Linda Christiansen Wood/Soda Firing, Jane
	Hamlyn Salt Glaze Workshop
0000	Bob Kingsmill Workshop
2003	Martin Tagseth, Wood/Soda Firing, Trudy Golly, Paperclay
2002	Peter IIsley, Crystalline Glazing, Gordon
	Hutchens, Wood/Soda firing
2001	Les Manning, Philosophy, Aesthetics, and Ergonomics
	Masakazu Kusakabe, Wood/Soda kiln building
1999-2001	- Workshops with Julia Galloway, Robin
	Hopper and Bruce Cochrane
1998	Svend Bayer, Phil Rodgers ,Patrick Horsley,
	Shadbolt Centre for the Arts
1997	Takeshi Yasuda, John Leach, Shadbolt
1996	Centre for the Arts
1990	University of Northern Arizona, Clay Art Yukio Yamamoto, Wood kiln building
1993	Laura Wee Lay Lag, Primitive Firing
1994	The Banff Centre School of Fine Arts, Form
1990	and Function with David Shaner
1989	Gordon Hutchens, Salt Firing and Raku
1988	Malaspina College
1984	Emily Carr School of Art, Mold Making
1980	Capilano College, Byron Jonstad
1979	Capilano College, Applied Art
1974	Burnaby Art Centre, Pottery Classes
Workshops	s & Presentations



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Workshops & Presentations

1994-present - Ceramics Technician		
	Teaching Crystalline Glazing, Extruding	
	and Wood/Soda Firing and Raku at the	
	Shadbolt Centre for the Arts	
2020	Crystals for Christmas, Shadbolt Centre	
2019	Soda Firing Workshop, Tri-City Potters Guild	





	Clay Baskets Workshop, Shadbolt Centre Hand-building & Soda Firing, Delta Potters		Demonstration for the Fraser Valley Potters Guild, Kwantlen College, BC	
	Association Extruding Workshop, Metchosin School of	2008	Extruding Workshop, Kamloops Pottery Club, BC	
	Arts, Victoria	2007	Presentation, Clay Edge, Gulgong, Australia	
	Horsehair Raku, Shadbolt Centre		Extruding Workshop, Crowsnest Pass,	
	Crystalline Workshop, Shadbolt Centre		Alberta	
2018	Extruding Workshop, Richmond Potters		Extruding Workshop, Edmonton, Alberta	
	Guild		Extruding Workshop for The Delta Potters	
	Hand-building Workshop, Cariboo Potters		Guild, BC	
	Guild		Demonstration for the Fraser Valley Potters Guild, Kwantlen College, BC	
	Earth & Pine Workshop, Burnaby Art's Council	2006	Summer Extruding Workshops. Stump Lake	
2017	Presentation, Fire Works, Vancouver	2000	Studio.	
	Presentation, Fraser Valley Potters Guild	2005	Invited Presenter Kelowna Clay Festival	
2016	Extruding Workshop for Salmon Arm Pottery		Workshop, Richmond Potters Guild	
	Club, Stump Lake	2003	Arrowsmith Potters Guild Symposium	
	Extruding Workshop, Richmond	4000	Presenter	
2015	Extruding Workshop for Delta Potters	1998	Altered Extrusions Workshop	
	Association Extruding Workshop, Shadhalt Control	1997-1999	Mudslinger Clay Studios Aborthou Cultural Control Extruding	
	Extruding Workshop, Shadbolt Centre Extruding Workshop for Cariboo Potters	1994	Aberthau Cultural Centre, Extruding Workshop	
	Guild, Williams Lake, BC	1990-1992	Apprenticed a student from Emily Carr	
2014	Extruding Workshop for Delta Potters		School of Art	
	Association	1985	Whitehorse Potters Guild, Workshop	
	Creative Extruding Workshop for Place des	1984	Pottery Classes, Burnaby Art Centre, Adults	
	Arts, Coquitlam		Burnaby Parks and Recreation Elementary	
	Creative Extruding Workshop for Metchosin International School of the Arts		Schools	
2013	Raku Workshop for Richmond Potters Club	Exhibitions		
	Raku Workshop for Trout Lake Pottery Club	2020	Kindled Spirits Exhibition, Bellingham WA	
2012	Wood-firing Workshop for students of Emily	2019	PGBC 2019 Member Exhibition, Richmond	
	Carr University		Malleable Exhibition, Italian Culture Centre,	
	Clayfest Showcase presenter, Prince George		Vancouver	
	Throwing Intensive Workshop, Shadbolt		Ensemble 2019, ACT Gallery, Maple Ridge	
2011	Presentation, Fraser Valley Potters Guild	2018	36th Annual Peace Liard Regional Juried	
0040	Extruding Workshop, Stump Lake		Art Exhibition, Fort Nelson BC, 1st Place	
2010	Extruding Demonstration, Aberthou Pottery Club, BC	0047	Off the Wall, Drinking Vessels, Courtenay	
	Extruding Demonstration, Trout Lake Pottery	2017	The Last Cone Standing, Circle Craft The Doct of BC, College of BC, Coregina	
	Club, BC		The Best of BC, Gallery of BC Ceramics	
	Presentation, 3rd ICMEA Symposium,		Hand to Hand, Gallery of BC Ceramics Fire Works, R Space, Vancouver	
	Fuping, China		Dish, Medalta, Medicine Hat, Alberta	
2009	Hand Building Demonstration, St. Georges	2015	Wood Firing Exhibition, Kikori: Japanese	
	School, BC Extruding Demonstration, West End Pottery	2010	Antiques	
	Club, BC	2014	Yohen - Transformed by the Fire, Kikori:	
	Extruding Workshop, Comox Valley Potters		Japanese Antiques	
	Guild BC		<i>Metamorphosis</i> , Craft Council of BC	

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		Put a Bird on it, Ballery of BC Ceramics Museum Northern BC Art, Prince Rupert BC		a tisket a tasket - Solo Exhibition, Gallery of BC Ceramics Tajimi Exhibition - Japan
	2013	Dish it up, Gallery of BC Ceramics		<i>TransFormations</i> - Burnaby Art Gallery
		40 Years & Beyond, Circle Craft, Pendulum Gallery, Vancouver BC		<i>Presenters Show</i> - Art Ark Gallery, Kelowna, BC
		Art Feats, Place des Arts, Coquitlam BC Invested, Craft Council of BC, Pendulum	2004	From Hands to Lips - Canadian Clay and Glass Gallery, Waterloo, Ontario
		Gallery, Vancouver BC Museum Northern BC Art,		<i>Tea Party</i> - Blackberry Gallery, Port Moody <i>Euphorbia</i> - White Rock, BC
		Prince Rupert BC		Blackberry Heritage Exhibit - Port Moody
		Ensemble, Maple Ridge Art Gallery, Maple Ridge BC	2002	Celebrating the Arts in Our Community - Mural Project
	2012	Crystalline Magic, Artemis Gallery		Exhibition of Donated Works - Gallery at
		Up the Garden Path, Potters Guild of BC	0004	Ceperley House
		Edge of Here, Seattle	2001	Abundance - Gallery at Ceperley House
		Peace Liard Regional Juried Art Exhibition, Dawson Creek, BC	2000	Year 2000 Millennium Clay Project
		Museum Northern BC Art, Prince Rupert BC	1998	Clay '98, Our Finest Work - Vancouver Community Arts Council
	2011	Spottery, Gallery of BC Ceramics	1997	Free as a Bird - Gallery of BC Ceramics solo exhibition
		Fibre Earth Fire, Chilliwack Art Gallery		Stems, Steins and Servers
		The Edge of Here, Potters Guild of BC	1996	Clay You Can Hold a Candle To
	2010	Art of Craft, Museum of Vancouver	1995	Made in Clay - Granville Island
		Out of the Ombu, Maple Ridge Art Gallery		Planters Paradise - Gallery of BC Ceramics
		Collectively Speaking, Deer Lake Gallery		Everything But the Pudding - Gallery of BC Ceramics
	2009	Spring Ahead, Seymour Art Gallery Spring, Deer Lake Art Gallery, BC	1994	Stems & Steins - Gallery of BC Ceramics
	2003	Earth & Pine, Circle Craft Gallery, BC	1987-1993	A production line was marketed through
	2008	FingerPlay, BC in a Box, Touring Exhibition		the Toronto, Edmonton and Vancouver Gift Shows. Somerset Marketing
	0007	Ashes to Art Scattered, Graton, California	1988	Bernadette Gallery - North Vancouver
	2007	Claynadians - Cudgegong Gallery, Gulgong, Australia	1987	Made by Hand - Canada Place, Vancouver
		24 Hired Hands - Burnaby Arts Council -	1986	Toronto Gift Show - Toronto, Ontario
	2006	Deer Lake Gallery Cup: The Intimate Object IV - Charlie		Circle Craft Expo 86 - Gift Shop, Vancouver
	2000	Cummings Gallery Ft. Wayne, Indiana	1985	Cameo's Craft Sale - Edmonton, Alberta
		Art Heart Earth - Seymour Art Gallery, North Vancouver		Circle Craft Christmas Craft Market - Granville Island
		Contemporary Canadian Ceramics -		Out of Hand - Victoria Empress Hotel
		Esplanade Art Gallery, Medicine Hat, AB		Arts Council of New Westminster
		Clay Dynamics - Medicine Hat Public Library	1984	Potters Guild Spring Gallery - Gastown
		A Dozen Roses - Solo Exhibition Craft		Country Collection - Langley Ceramic Artists Craftsman - Vancouver
		Association of BC - Crafthouse Gallery	1983	
		In the Palm of a Hand - Tajimi Japan to BC Touring Exhibition Gallery of BC Ceramics	1300	Fraser Regional Arts Council Exhibition of Fine Arts
	2005	Pith - Seymour Art Gallery, North Vancouver		Cooking with Clay - Robson Square
	2000	BC in a Box - Touring Exhibition		
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1982 Burnaby Arts Council 5th Annual Christmas Craft Market

Awards & Publications

2017	Awarded <i>Lifetime Membership in BC Potter's</i> Guild
2016	Filmed for episode of "Hand Crafted"
2015	Article on building the soda and wood kilns at the Shadbolt published in "The Log Book", Ireland
2012	Featured in the American Ceramic Society's Book "Naked Raku and Related Bare Clay Techniques"
2011	Featured in the book "500 Raku" by Lark Books
2007	Featured in the book "Image Transfer on Clay" by Lark Books
2005	British Columbia Arts Council Production Grant
2000	Featured in the American Ceramic Society's Book "The Extruder Book"
1999	Featured in book "Extruded Ceramics"
1998	Compiled and produced book "Made of Clay, Ceramics of British Columbia" which won 1st Prize in the 1998 Alcuin Society Book Design Awards.

Memberships

Potters Guild of B.C. (since 1981)

Circle Craft Co-op

Tozan Kiln Society

Crafts Association of B.C.

Canadian Clay Symposium

National Council in Education for the Ceramic Arts

Volunteer work

Past President, Potters Guild of B.C., Board of Directors Building and Firing of the Tozan kiln, Nanaimo B.C.

Past Vice President, North-West Ceramics Foundation, Board of Directors

Organizing Committee for "Lottery for Pottery" 1997 and 1998

Organizing Committee for "Project Empty Bowl"
Producer of book "Made of Clay, Ceramics of British
Columbia"

Organizing Committee for "Canadian Clay Symposium" from 2000 to 2022

Organizing Committee for "Burnaby's Project Empty Bowl" 2001, 2003, 2005

Workshop for BC Professional Fire Fighters Burn Fund