

# MAYER STUDIOS

## Leah M. Mayer

Installation Artist  
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### Education

- 2010 Arrowmont School of Crafts: Ceramic class: Bustin' Out – Head & Shoulders: Tom Bartel Gatlinburg, TN.
- 2007 Penland School of Crafts: Ceramic class: Soda Firing: Ruthanne Tudball & Gay Smith Penland, NC.
- 2007 **Graduate: Bachelor of Fine Arts (B.F.A)** – Studio Art, Concentration - Ceramics, University of Northern Iowa, Cedar Falls, IA, Department of Art.
- 2002-2007 Other art related classes taken: Art History, Drawing I, II, Painting, Sculpture, Printmaking: wood cut & relief, Graphic Design, Jewelry & Metals.

### Work Experience

- 2007-2010 **Owner, Artist & Instructor: Mayer Studios**  
Clarksville, TN.
- 2007-2008 **Instructor:** Pottery and Ceramic department, Skills, Arts, & Crafts, Ft. Rucker, AL.
- Fall 2007 Studio Assistant: Troy University, Department of Art - ceramics, Troy, AL.
- Fall 2007 Intern Position: Wiregrass Museum of Art, Organizing and updating the permanent collection of art, Dothan, AL.
- 2003-2005 Assistant Manager & Retail clerk, Pleasure Pool & Spa, Indianola, IA

### **Featured Exhibitions**

- 2010** Tennessee Art League, Members Gallery: Nashville, TN
- 2010** Silke's Old World Breads, Group Exhibition: Clarksville, TN.
- 2009-2010** 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Art Show, Mayer Studios: Clarksville, TN.
- 2008 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Pottery Sale, Mayer Studios: Enterprise, AL.
- 2007-2008 Contemporary Ceramics Exhibition,  
Dove East Gallery, Wiregrass Museum of Art, Dothan, AL.
- 2007 B.F.A Group Exhibition: The Battle of the Forces of Artistry:  
The Unseen Depths  
University of Northern Iowa Gallery of Art, Cedar Falls, IA.
- 2005-2007 Annual Juried Student Art Exhibition,  
University of Northern Iowa Gallery of Art, Cedar Falls, IA.

### **Awards/Honors/Scholarships**

- 2007 Work Study Scholarship: Penland School of Crafts, Class:  
Soda Firing: Ruthanne Tudball and Gay Smith.
- 2003-2007 Dean's List: 5 semesters, University of Northern Iowa.
- 2007 Accepted: Juried Student Art Exhibition,  
University of Northern Iowa, Ceramic piece: Gary, Victor &  
Sheila.
- 2007 Merit Award: College Hill Arts Festival for body of work:  
Gary, Victor, Sheila, Juried Student Art Exhibition,  
University of Northern Iowa.
- 2006 Accepted: Juried Student Art Exhibition,  
University of Northern Iowa, Ceramic piece: Candy, Gum &  
Shells.
- 2005 Accepted: Juried Student Art Exhibition,  
University of Northern Iowa, Ceramic piece: Daddy's Flowers.
- 2005 Purchase Award: Deborah J. Gallagher & John K Smith for,  
Ceramic piece, Daddy's Flowers, Juried Student Art Exhibition,  
University of Northern Iowa.

### **Publications**

2007            *The Unseen Depths: Fine Art in Ceramics*, by Leah M. Mayer  
Mypublisher.com

### **Fairs/Festivals**

**2010**            Rivers and Spires Festival, Artz Galore: Clarksville, TN.  
2008            26th Annual, Myrtle Beach Summer Classic: Myrtle Beach, SC.  
2008            Piney Woods Arts Festival: Enterprise, AL.  
2008            Alabama Blueberry Festival: Brewton, AL.

### **Organizations**

**2009-2010**    Member: Tennessee Art League  
**2009-2010**    Member: National Association of Professional Women  
2008-2010    Member: American Craft Council  
2008-2010    Point of Contact: Family Readiness Group 101<sup>st</sup> Airborne division, Army

### **Special Skills**

- Exceptional education of multiple firings and kiln loading, including: Cone 10 reduction, gas, wood, salt, soda, electric, crystalline, majolica and raku.
- Excellent discipline, education & experience in clay & glaze mixing.
- Skilled knowledge in teaching pottery & ceramics.
- Computer experience with Quark Express, Adobe Illustrator & Word Processing.
- Experience with oil, water & acrylic painting, also canvas building, stretching and professional framing.
- Trained in welding, soldering and other metal work, also trained in stone carving and wood working.
- Educated in photography, including: developing, printing & mounting; all in black & white.
- Experience with comprising and organizing professional exhibitions.