

Winter 2021: Pottery at Home

Winter Session 1: January 4-February 14

Winter Session 2: February 15-March 28

Buying Clay, Glazing & Firing

If you have pottery that you've made at home, or that you're making at home for an Evanston Art Center (EAC) online ceramics class, the EAC can provide clay, an opportunity to glaze, and fire your work!

To ensure the safety of your work and our kilns, we require that the clay we fire is purchased from the EAC. Note that EAC class credits are not redeemable for this service. We will take great care when handling your items, but the EAC is not responsible for any lost or damaged work.

Clay Pick-Up

To purchase and pick up your clay, please come to the EAC during Clay Pick-Up Hours. **Remain in your vehicle, and call the EAC at 847-475-5300.** Let the staff member know what type of clay you would like, and pay using your credit card number over the phone. Cash is not accepted.

A staff member will deliver it to you with the receipt in the parking lot. To help maintain social distancing, please don't chat with the staff member in-person. Please open your trunk/car door for the staff member, and plan to close the door yourself.

Clay Pick-Up

Tuesday 9:30am-12:30pm

Friday 1-5pm

EAC Clay Prices

Per 25 lb. bag

- Dark Stoneware - \$22
- Light Stoneware - \$22
- Domestic Porcelain - \$28
- English Grolleg Porcelain - \$35
- *Recycled clay is not available.*

Glazing

You must glaze at the EAC in order for your work to be fired. Glazing is only permitted during EAC Open Studio hours listed below, glazing EAC purchased clay. To ensure everyone's safety, there is a minimum number of students permitted in the Ceramics Studio at a time.

Please call the EAC at 847-475-5300 to schedule a time to glaze your work *in advance*.

Glazing time is available in 3-hour increments corresponding with our scheduled open studio time slots to minimize the number of students using the studio at a time. Please pay for your glazing appointment when you call to schedule it.

To limit capacity, we can only allow one person glazing at a time.

No commercial or outside glazes are permitted. Any pieces glazed at home will be rejected and not fired.

COST: \$40 per scheduled 3-hour glazing session. Includes glazing and firing costs.

Glazing Appointments during Ceramics Open Studio*

*Glazing appointments **must be made in advance.***

Call us at 847-475-5300 to learn the Open Studio Schedule.

When arriving to glaze, please plan to:

- Stay six feet apart or more from other people.
- Wear a face mask that covers your nose and mouth.
- Take your temperature with provided thermometers.
- Wash your hands regularly with soap and water, including before, during and after your visit. Additional hand sanitizer will be available.
- Wipe down (with provided disinfecting wipes) all surface you've come into contact with, including handles, brushes, and any surfaces you've touched.
- Follow other guidelines as posted throughout the EAC building.

Greenware Drop-Off & Firing

Firing Schedule: Bisque firing will happen up to twice a week depending on need. Glaze firing will be on a weekly basis depending on need, usually on Thursdays. We cannot guarantee that all work will be fired each week as it depends on many factors. Please plan on two weeks to fire your work.

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Items that have been fired on Thursday will likely be available for pick-up on Monday after 12pm. **Please help us limit visitors. You are encouraged to drop-off your greenware and pick up your fired work if you have a scheduled glaze session, are purchasing clay, or have a scheduled open studio session.**

If that's not possible, you are invited to come on the scheduled greenware drop-off and fired items pick-up day. When you arrive, **remain in your vehicle, and call the EAC at 847-475-5300.** To limit the number of visitors, please wait until a staff member invites you in.

Greenware Drop-Off & Fired Items Pick-Up

Tuesday 9:30am-12:30pm

When arriving to drop off greenware or pick up fired items, please plan to:

- Remain in your vehicle, and call the EAC at 847-475-5300 to be invited in.
- Stay six feet apart or more from others.
- Wear a cloth face mask.
- Use the provided hand sanitizer when entering and exiting.
- Follow other signage as posted through the EAC building.

Questions

If you have any questions or concerns, please reach out to Director of Education Christena Gunther, CGunther@EvanstonArtCenter.org or 847-475-5300.

Thank you!

Thank you for your flexibility and patience as we strive to ensure all students, staff and any visitors have a safe and healthy experience. The Evanston Art Center values our Ceramics community, and we're glad we can provide this offering for you.