

Joseph Sand

Artist Bio

Joseph Sand (b. 1982, Austin, MN) graduated from Austin High School in 2001. He trained as a sculptor at the University of Minnesota, receiving a B.F.A. with honors in 2006. During his undergraduate courses, he studied art for one year in Italy, followed by another year in England, after receiving a very competitive, college-wide scholarship. While in England, he worked alongside many prolific potters, including Svend Bayer and Clive Bowen, which heavily influenced his direction as an artist, taking up functional pottery as a means of personal expression.

He completed a three-year and a half year apprenticeship with Mark Hewitt in 2009 and now resides in Randleman, North Carolina. Joseph built a 40 foot anagama kiln and makes functional and sculptural ceramics full-time. He fires his large, wood-fired kiln three times a year, and the majority of his work is sold on his property during kiln opening sales. Joseph's work is also represented in several galleries across the United States.

His functional work combines the styles of traditional, Southern alkaline glazeware and East Asian design, among others.

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