

KRISTEN KIEFFER

2-DAY HANDS ON CLAY WORKSHOP/DEMO

“Altered & Ornamented”

when: Friday, 10/20 - Saturday,
10/21, 2017

hours: 10:00 am - 5:00 pm

cost: \$250 fee

group: limited to 15 participants

skill level: basic hand-building/wheel
throwing

where: Belvedere Arts Center,
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Pagosa Springs, CO 81147

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Nationally known ceramics artist Kristen Kieffer will focus on altering her own wheel-thrown forms a little and a lot in this two-day demonstration at Belvedere Arts Center in beautiful Pagosa Springs, CO. (Participants will follow along using leather-hard clay slabs (or hand-built forms made ahead of the demonstration). We will then embellish those forms with an array of decoration techniques from stamping and slip-trailing to sponging and resists. The result can be functional or sculptural, minimal, or extravagant. You will leave the workshop with a collection of new skills and the confidence to play and draw from your own influences.

Demonstrations include throwing, altering and building off the wheel, darting, and a variety of decoration techniques including: slip-trailing, stamp-making, and stamping. We will discuss aesthetics and proportion, timing in clay, idea-generation, and progressing one's own work with learned techniques.

Participants will make stamps as well as play with slip-trailing and paper resist and will take home a grouping of bisqued stamps and pieces showing your explorations during the workshop. Kristen will be bringing some of her beautiful finished pottery pieces and CD's along which will be available for you to purchase at the workshop.

About the area: Pagosa Springs is small, relatively undeveloped mountain town surrounded by thousands of acres of national forest. We are located at the Southwestern Corner of Colorado near the New Mexico Border and home to the world's deepest mineral hot springs. We have wonderful spas, hotels and restaurants while still maintaining our wildness and small town feel! Join us for this fun workshop in our newly remodeled studio space with a very accomplished and talented artist! You will also enjoy nature's beauty in the clean, cool mountain air of Pagosa Springs.

Note: If you wish to arrive on Thurs., 10/19 to hand-build some forms to use in the demo, there is no additional cost for studio time and materials.