

Press Release

The New Mexico Potters and Clay Artists (NMPCA) would like to announce the upcoming Celebration of Clay exhibit, "Intimate Visions," November 1-29, 2013 at The Gallery ABQ, 8210 Menaul Blvd. NE, Albuquerque, NM. The opening reception will be Friday November 1, 2013, from 5 to 8 pm, during the First Friday ABQ ARTScrawl event. Regular gallery hours are Monday – Saturday, 10am–5pm.

The New Mexico Potters and Clay Artists is an association of more than 200 Ceramic art enthusiasts all over the state of New Mexico and has been thriving for more than 40 years. The Celebration of Clay is a greatly anticipated annual member's exhibition. This year's show is unique for two reasons: First, the exhibit focuses on small works, no dimension to exceed 12 inches. This enables the members to create small gems that will be especially accessible to the public for gifts or home enjoyment. Every year, the exhibit allows members to enter their own selection of works, and features 6 awards to highlight exceptional works, selected by a juror. This year, the award juror is uniquely valued: Frank Willett, the recipient of a 2013 Governor's Award for Excellence in the Arts, who is also a founding member of the NMPCA.

Public and friends can also interact with the exhibit through our online People's Choice Award, where you can view the exhibit pieces and vote for your favorite. Go to www.celebrationofclay.com between November 2nd through the 29. Juried awards will be announced at the reception; the People's Choice Award will be announced by December 7th on the website.

For more information on NMPCA please visit www.nmpotters.org or www.celebrationofclay.com. For questions about the show, contact Michael Thornton, (505) 344-4644 or email thesaurusstudio@aol.com. Additional information about the Governor's Award for Excellence in the Arts can be found at www.nmarts.org/governors-arts-awards.html