The Ceramics class is designed for students who have an interest in working with clay, and gives students the experience in making functional as well as sculptural pieces using a variety of techniques. Well thought out forms, designs and functional uses along with good craftsmanship are emphasized. Students in ceramics engage in sequential learning experiences that encompass art history, art criticism, aesthetics, and production and lead to the creation of portfolio works. Students create works utilizing the processes of hand building, slip and glaze techniques and the firing process. The goal of the ceramics class is to expose the student to a variety of creative techniques. Students will reflect on the outcomes of this experience, explore historical connections, write about the process, work individually and in pairs, and critique their finished pieces. In addition, students are given the opportunity to explore career options in the field of ceramic art.