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Artist's Statement In all the work I make I am looking to explore the relationship between inner space and outer form; where they meet and merge one into the other. This sprang from an interest in calligraphy and typography, but includes all organic forms; plant and animal, where inner nature describes outer appearance – each is expressed in, and through, the other.

Methods

I make stoneware sculptural pieces for home and garden. They are thrown and handbuilt from black and (separately) white stoneware clays. Some are simply glazed to emphasise the form, others are unglazed.

The glazed forms are biscuit fired to 950°C, refined and then glazed & high fired to 1260°C.

The unglazed are once-fired to 1260°C.

Bio I am largely self-taught although I have attended various pottery classes and short courses with

various well-known and respected UK and international potters.

I previously worked as a graphic designer and latterly craft teacher, but pottery is my real passion and in 2011 I decided to become a full time professional maker. I have since met with many challenges and successes and am completely hooked!

I show my work at a number of high quality craft shows throughout the year, through galleries

nationally, and from my studio.

Teaching I did an in-service training as a teacher at a local independant school and was the resident craft teacher from 2008-2011. I've subsequently held numerous childrens and adult pottery workshops

and classes from my studio, and various other venues around Gloucestershire. I have also demonstrated by invitation for West Forest Potters in Hampshire, and Buckinghamshire Potters

Group. In addition I am currently a tutor at New Brewery Arts in Cirencester.

Teaching new and improving students is a wonderful experience for me and a chance to share my knowledge and passion for clay. I relish seeing students' become similarly excited by this amazing material as they master the many techniques required to exploit clay's extraordinary versatility.

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Memberships Craft Potters Association

Gloucestershire Guild of Craftsmen

Westcountry Potters Association (Newsletter Editor)

Northern Potters Association

a-n Artist's Network

SIT (formerly Stroud International Textiles)

Exhibitions & Shows

Fired Works (Blackthorpe Barn, Bury St. Edmunds) 2013

Potfest Scotland (Scone Palace, Perth) 2013

Potfest in the Pens (Penrith Auction Mart, Penrith) 2013

Northern Potters Selected Exhibition at Creation Fine Arts (Beverley) 2013

Northern Potters Selected Exhibition at The New School House Gallery (York) 2013

Handmade in Britain (Chelsea) 2014

Potfest in the Park (Hutton in the Forest, Cumbria) 2014 **Great Northern Contemporary Craft Fair (Manchester) 2014**

Art In Clay (Farnham, Surrey) 2014

RHS Rosemoor Gardens, Winter Sculpture Exhibition (Great Torrington, Devon) 2014-15

The Garden Gallery 'Truth to material' Exhibition (Stockbridge, Hampshire) 2015

Borde Hill Gardens (Haywards Heath, West Sussex) **2015**

SIT Select Trail Open Studios Festival (Stroud, Gloucestershire) 2015 St David's Church Contemporary Ceramics Show (Discoed, Wales) 2015

Contemporary Craft Festival [with Westcountry Potters Association] (Bovey Tracey, Devon) 2015

Potfest Scotland (Scone Palace, Perth) 2015 **Art in Clay, Hatfield** (Hatfield House, Herts) **2015 Art In Action** (Waterperry Gardens, Oxfordshire) **2015**

Potfest in the Park (Hutton in the Forest, Cumbria) 2015

Salisbury Contemporary Craft & Heritage Fair (Salisbury, Wiltshire) 2015

Select Showcase (Cheltenham, Glos) with the Gloucestershire Guild of Craftsmen 2015

Innovations in Ceramic Art (Cambridge) with Primavera Gallery 2015

South Staffordshire Guild of Craftsmen Winter show (MIddleport Pottery, Stoke on Trent) 2015

Art In Clay (Farnham, Surrey) 2015

SVA Christmas Open Studios (Stroud, Glos) 2015

Potfest In The Park (Hutton in the Forest, Penrith, Cumbria) 2016

Countryfile Live! (Blenhiem Palace, Oxon) 2016 **Art In Clay** (Hatfield House, Hertfordshire) **2016**

RHS Rosemoor Gardens, Winter Sculpture Exhibition (Great Torrington, Devon) 2016-17

Bristol University Botanic Garden Easter Sculpture Show (Bristol, Somerset) 2017

Hidden Gardens Sculpture Trail, (Stroud, Gloucestershire) 2017 Affordable Sculpture Show, (Twyning, Gloucestershire) 2017 Potfest In The Park (Hutton in the Forest, Penrith, Cumbria) 2017

Art In Clay (Hatfield House, Hertfordshire) 2017

Elemental Sculpture Park, (Somerford Keynes, Gloucestershire) **2017**

RHS Rosemoor Gardens, Winter Sculpture Exhibition (Great Torrington, Devon) 2017-18 Gloucestershire Guild of Craftsmen Summer Show (Chipping Campden, Gloucestershire) 2017

Christmas Festival, Chapel Arts Gallery, (Cheltenham, Gloucestershire) 2017

Forthcoming 2018 Potfest In The Park (Hutton in the Forest, Penrith, Cumbria)

Gloucestershire Guild of Craftsmen Summer Show (Rodmarton Manor, Gloucestershire)

Art In Clay (Hatfield House, Hertfordshire) **2017**

Current Galleries

The Biscuit Factory (Newcastle Upon Tyne)

The Guild at 51 (Cheltenham)

The Cecilia Colman Gallery (St. John's Wood, London)

Morningside Gallery (Dalkeith, Edinburgh) **Dancing Light Gallery** (West Linton, Edinburgh)

Atholl Gallery (Dunkeld, Perthshire) **Primavera Gallery** (Cambridge)