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"CHINESE CLAY ART" is a newsletter emailed to professional artists, curators, collectors, writers, experts, educators and students in the ceramic field, who want to know about ceramic art in China and things related. This newsletter will be a bridge between China and Western countries for the ceramic arts. Comments and suggestions are very welcome.

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May 28-June 12, 2008, please check out the details at www.ChineseClayArt.com
Due to lack of participants in this group, we would like find additional persons as roommate (one male and one female). If anyone interested, please contact us ASAP.
Thanks!

Guangzhen Zhou, Chief Editor

Tour of "Ceramics China", Oct. 2008

The tour of Ceramics China after the Olympics will be in the best season - called Golden Autumn - in China. Besides the basic cities of Beijing, Shanghai, Xi'an and the ceramic town of Jingdezhen and Yixing, we have the option of extending your tour to Guilin-Yangshuo and Hong Kong.

**Itinerary A**: Oct. 10-27, Beijing, Xi'an, Jingdezhen, Yixing and Shanghai.

**Itinerary B**: Oct. 10-Nov. 3, Beijing, Xi'an, Jingdezhen, Yixing, Shanghai, Guilin-Yangshuo and Hong Kong

**Itinerary A**:
10/10, departure from west coast of the US,
10/11, arrived in Beijing in the evening,
10/12, Visit antique market of Panjiayuan early morning and Tiananmen Square and Ancient Palace Museum/The Forbidden City in the afternoon,
10/13, Visit the Great Wall in the morning and Lulichang in the afternoon
10/14, Visit Tsinghua University and exchanges with the faculty and student. Take over night train to Xi'an in the evening,
10/16, Visit Chenlu, an historical ceramics village and Yaozhou Museum.
10/17, Take airplane to Nanchang, and 3-hour bus to Jingdezhen,
10/18, See grand opening of Jingdezhen International Ceramic Fair,
10/19, One-day tour in Yaoli Village and Gaolin Mountain,
10/20, tours to the ancient kiln and porcelain factories,
10/21, One-day tour in Jingdezhen: Jingdezhen Ceramics Institute, Hutian Porcelain Factory (12' vases are made here), Jingdezhen Sculptural Factory. Take over night train to Nanjing,
10/22, Arrived in Nanjing and take 2-hour bus to Yixing.
10/23, Tour to artist studios, dragon kiln, ceramic museum, exchange with Wuxi Institute of Arts and Technology (maybe a hands-on workshop depend on the schedule).
10/24, continue tours in Yixing
10/25, 3 hours bus to Shanghai, shopping and relax in hotel. One-hour cruise on the Huangpu River.
10/26, Visit Shanghai Museum in the morning and Yu- yuan Garden and the market in the afternoon,
10/27, Leave from Pudong Airport for home and arrive San Francisco in the morning (the same day in local time).
10/27, Take flight from Shanghai to Guiling, the "number one place under heaven"

**Itinerary B**, extended tours.
10/27, take flight from Shanghai to Guiling, the place of "number one place under heaven"
10/28-31, tour in Guilin-Yangshuo,
11/1-2, Take flight to Hong Kong and tour in Hong Kong, the best place mixed with cultures of East and West.
11/3, Departure from Hong Kong to home,
11/3, arrived in the US on the same day.

Due to unpredictable US-China currency exchange rates and other costs, we are unable to provide the exact cost right now. Detail information may updated online by end of June 2008.

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**Two Weeks Special at Chinese Clay Art**

Item number: **MX 15**, Stainless steel liquid mixer, 15" long and 2.5" diameter. It was $7.00 each, the discount price is $5.00 each until April 13, 2008.

The mixer needs be fasten onto an electrical of battery powered drill and fully immersed in liquid during the motion. It is perfect for mixing liquid in 1-5 gallons buckets.
New Products at Chinese Clay Art

CN 43, Multi-heads sculpting tool. It used to be $10.00. The discount price is $8.00 each until April 13, 2008. It is in a set of 3 with 6 different shaped heads that may perform the tasks of sculpting, making incisions, smoothing out, and cleaning up.

SE 08, Plastic Stamps of Chinese Characters 6/set. It was $6.00 each. The discount price is $4.00 until April 13, 2008. Written in a beautiful, classical, hand-written style, the Chinese characters read: Good Fortune, Happiness, Longevity, Spirit, Love and Endurance.

ICA Breakfast at NCECA 2008 / Meeting Minutes

Held by IAC Vice-President Wayne Higby, ICA (International Ceramic Academy)

Breakfast meeting was on Friday, March 21. IAC President Janet Mansfield and President of NCECA Robert Harrison, along with about 30 other members, presented the meeting. After the introductions of several new members, I-chi Hsu talked about the IAC 2008 briefly and he asked everyone to check out the website for updated information about IAC China 2008. Jackson Li introduced his own experiences of Chinese ceramic cultural exchanges.

Guangzhen Po Zhou mentioned about helping with Chinese visa application and the international air tickets to China. Also, he would like to remind everyone: The Chinese visa will expire three months after you have received it. Please apply for the visa within three months only from your departure day.

Big Fish-Small Pot, 3rd International Teapot Show is Online

Tony Huntley, a professor in Saddleback College Southern California, has been spending a lot of time for the actual exhibitions and online showcase. He is the real hero behind the ceramic exhibition! Now the Small Pot Teapot Show is online at:http://gallery.saddleback.edu/shows/25FE_B08/virtualshow/

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