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Tour of Ceramics China, June 2009

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June 3 - June 17, 2009, 15 days: Beijing, Xi'an, Jingdezhen, Yixing and Shanghai. Costs: $3,950. ($50 off if signed up before March 31, 2009).

The cost may vary if you return to a city other than San Francisco.

The fee includes international air tickets, local transportation, lodging, three meals a day, and tour guides/interpreters. The travel agent has limited insurance, so we suggest that you buy your own traveling insurance.

Plan A: $3950 per person

Day 1, Leave from San Francisco airport,
Day 2, Arrive in Beijing in the evening,
Day 3, Visit antique market of Panjiayuan early morning and Tiananmen Square and Ancient Palace Museum/The Forbidden City in the afternoon
Day 4, Visit the Great Wall in the morning and Silk Market in the afternoon. Take an overnight train to Xi’an in the evening,
Day 5, Arrived Xi’an in the morning. Visit Terri-cotta Warriors Museum and market.
Day 6, Visit Chenlu, an historical ceramic village and Fu-ping Ceramic Art Village.
Day 7, Take airplane to Nanchang, and 3-hour bus to Jingdezhen,
Day 8, One-day tour in Yaoli Ancient Village and Mountain,
Day 9, One-day tour in Jingdezhen: Ancient Porcelain Factory and Museum, Jingdezhen Ceramics Institute, Jingdezhen Sculptural Factory. Take over night train to Wuxi.
Day 10, Arrive in Wuxi in the morning and take a 2-hour bus to Yixing,
Day 11, One day tour in Yixing: artists' studios, Qianshu Dragon Kiln site and Yixing Ceramics Museum,
Day 12, Visit clay art tool stores, and Teapot Market, make exchanges with the faculty and students at Wuxi Institute of Arts and Technology,
Day 13, 3 hour bus to Shanghai, shopping and relaxing in the hotel. One-hour cruise on the Huangpu River,
Day 14, Visit Shanghai Museum in the morning and Yu-yuan Garden and the market in the afternoon,
Day 15, Leave from Pudong Airport for home and arrive in San Francisco in the morning (the same day in local time).

**Plan B: (Continued from Plan A, $4750)**
Day 1 to Day 14, Same as Plan A,
Day 15, Fly from Shanghai to Yangshu/Guilin,
Day 16-17, Two day tour in Guilin,
Day 18, Fly from Yangshu/Guilin to Shengzhen, transfer to Hong Kong,
Day 19-20, Two-day tour in Hong Kong,
Day 21, Leave from Hong Kong Airport for home and arrive in San Francisco (or in some other city in the US in the morning (the same day in local time).
Detailed information regarding the sites is listed in the book of "Chinese Ceramic Cultural Sites - A Traveler's Handbook". You will receive the book for free after you have paid the deposit.

Guangzhen Zhou, Chief Editor

**International Contemporary Teapot Exhibition at NCECA 2009**

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The application deadline is Dec. 10, 2008.
For details, please Click [Here](#)

**Letter from Norma Harack, Jamaica**

Dear Po,

Greetings from Jamaica. This note comes to thank you for helping to make my trip to China to the IAC's 43rd General Assembly and Exhibition a most memorable one. China is a remarkable country with great many traditions steeped in history and wonderfully warm and friendly people. You are one such wonderful person who helped many of us on this recent IAC cultural trip to go home with memories that will be forever etched in our hearts. Truly, IAC will be a better Academy for having a person such as yourself as one of their esteemed members.
Thanks again Po and as we say on Jamaica - WALK GOOD.

Norma Harack
Dear Po,

This sculpture, titled "Mainly Mail", is a gift to you not only from me but from Cathy and Jackie also. We want you to know how very deeply we appreciate all you did for us while we were in China. Not only were you a superb tour guide in Shanghai, looking after all the details to make us happy and comfortable, but you continued to do many helpful things for us in Xi'an.

After my injury at the hotel you were exceptionally helpful. And I have not forgotten the beautiful and delicious cake with the crown you brought to celebrate my 91st birthday.

With much gratitude,

Sylvia

A DVD of "Sylvia Hyman, Eternal Wonder" is on sale

A DVD of "Sylvia Hyman, Eternal Wonder" BK 602 is on sale for $29.95 only (was $39.95) until the end of November. Sylvia Hyman: Eternal Wonder traces the evolution of Hyman's career as an artist. As a master of Trompe l'œil clay, Hyman's sculptures inspire both disorientation and delight when viewers realize that everyday objects that appear to be made of wood, cardboard and paper are actually superbly realized simulations made of clay. Sylvia Hyman: Eternal Wonder provides a truly inspirational portrait of both the artist and the person, as we discover an artist at the peak of her powers as she prepares to celebrate her 90th birthday. This DVD includes the 10 minute version that was created as part of the First Center for the Visual Arts exhibit Sylvia Hyman: Fictional Clay, as well as the 23 minute director's cut that has been shown in film festivals around the world. The DVD also includes a photo portfolio of over 400 images tracing all the stages of Hyman's work, from the earliest functional pieces to her more recent sculptures. Click DVD.

Holiday Sale

Time surely does fly, as it will soon be the holiday season again. There are items for Holiday sales until Nov. 23rd.

A: offer 25% discount for Ceramic beads and Pliers. Click ceramic beads / Pliers

B: We had imported many wooden boxes with the idea of packing your valuable ceramic pieces as gifts, but we didn't sell many. To help our cash flow and clear some storage space, price has been reduced. Tea Bowls are great gifts. price has been reduced too.
please click Gifts
C: Quartz Clock, Original $3.50, sale $2.50. Click Quartz Clock
D: Multi-Function Hammer (M 2011), Original $9.00, Sale $7.00; Multi-Function Wrench (M 2012), Original $10.00, Sale $8.00. Click Multi-Function Tools
F: Playing Cards with pictures of porcelain wares, original $5.00, sale $4.00. Click Playing Cards

Monthly Special for holiday
Plastic Stamps are upto 25% discount until Nov. 23rd.
SE 05 (Stamold) original $4.00, sale $3.00;
SE 06 (Ocean Life) Original $3.00, sale $2.25;
SE 07 (Flowers) Original $4.50, sale $3.50;
SE 08 (Chinese characters) Original $6.00, sale $4.50;
SE 12 (Zodiac) Original $5.00, Sale $3.75
Click Here

Custom Decals for Free
We are going to have a decal factory to make some decals for the western clay art market. You may send us a picture of your design for a decal. If your entry is selected, we will pay you 50 sheets of the decal for buying the copyright of the image, plus credit for the product. Suggestions are very welcome!

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