

Pinch Pot Creature

Objectives:

1. Create an "original" creature design. (NO cartoons or already made characters)
2. Use the pinching method as the base for your creature.
3. Create invented texture on the creature with tools or found objects.
4. Properly attach pieces onto your pinch pot base of the creature.
5. Successfully use glazes to evenly cover your creature.

Process:

1. Draw up a plan for your creature design. Plan should include dimensions, textures, colors, and possible techniques for construction.
2. Start with a "pinch pot" as the base for your creature. The pinch pot should be even in thickness all around. Depending on the size of the creature you may want to place crumbled newspaper inside while it dries a little.
3. Score and slip on and extra pieces of clay.
4. Apply texture to your clay with tools and/or found objects (ex: potato bag, shells, tree bark, finger prints, etc.)
5. After green-ware is fired you will glaze your creature with 2-3 coats of each color glaze.
 - You can mix the same types of glazes to make new colors.
 - Shake the CLOSED glaze bottle before painting/glazing.
 - Cover area with 2-3 coats of glaze depending on the consistency of the glaze.
 - Be sure to cover all visible white clay...glazes will NOT "bleed" in the kiln.

