

## THROWING ON THE POTTER'S WHEEL

Although this class is designed for beginner adult students (18 years or older) interested in working with clay on the potter's wheel; experienced students are also welcome with the intention of learning something new to put to use on their own pots. We will be working with High Fire Stoneware and it will be glaze fired in a Reduction atmosphere in the Gas Kiln. We will begin with the basics; wedging clay, centering, forming and pulling. Students will learn how to trim their pots, handle placement and application. One's first impression of a piece is always visual; therefore we will also explore surface decoration at all stages of manufacturing, green ware, bone dry and at the bisque stage. Students can expect to produce tumblers, mugs and bowls of various shapes and sizes.

**Included in the course fee of \$540.00 (plus GST): (Can be made in 3 Monthly Instalments of \$180.00) (plus GST)**

36 hours of instructional time,

= 3 hours per evening, one evening per week for 12 weeks

36 hours of non-instructional practice time,

= throughout the week prearranged with Mary

All slips and glazes required to complete the assigned projects

Both the bisque and glaze firing of student work (to a maximum of 2 boxes of clay)

### **Additional cost associated with this class:**

Clay - Students will be able to purchase clay from the studio **\$30.50 per box** (plus taxes)

Pottery Tool Kit - Students will want to have their own personal tools, the studio will have tool kits available for students to purchase (same tool kit is used for all clay work). **\$15.00** (plus taxes)

### **Students will need to bring for their personal use:**

A plastic bucket (gallon sized ice cream bucket is perfect)

An apron large enough to protect clothes from clay splatter

A large old towel or two smaller ones to cover lap while working at the wheel

Clear light plastic to cover works in progress (used dry cleaner bags work the best)

A large clean up sponge to clean work area at end of class

A small lock for personal locker

Students will be able to store their tools and clay in lockers at the studio between classes. Each student will be provided a designated space on ware carts for the storage of work in progress between classes.

Classes will begin at 6:30 PM and run until 9:30 PM with an additional half hour at the end of each class for clean up. Clean up is expected at the end of each practice time as well.

Studio rental available for those with clay experience.

**NEXT BLOCK OF 12 LESSONS START DATE : WEDNESDAY, September 17, 2008**

**Please phone Mary at For The Love of Mud Pottery Studio to register: 638-0770**