



In The Grove

by Rhonda McCanless

The North Carolina Pottery Center will open a new exhibition Feb. 7, called *Quiet Inspiration: Japanese Influence on North Carolina Potters*. The exhibition is curated by Judith Duff and will run until May 16, 2015. An opening reception will be held Feb. 7, noon to 2pm. The reception is free and open to the public. Many of the pieces on display can be purchased. For more information, visit [www.NCPotteryCenter.org](http://www.NCPotteryCenter.org).

Several Seagrove pottery shops will celebrate Valentine's Day with demonstrations, special Valentine's-themed merchandise, open houses and more.



Works from Latham's Pottery

Latham's Pottery will have a Valentine's Open House, Feb. 6 and 7, from 9am to 5pm. Door prizes and refreshments will be offered. A pottery demonstration will take place Feb. 7, noon to 3pm. For more information, visit [www.LathamsPottery.com](http://www.LathamsPottery.com).



Works by Ben Owen III



Work by JLK Jewelry

The Seagrove Potters of Historic Busbee Road will hold Valentine's events on Feb. 7. Hickory Hill Pottery and Cady Clay Works will have Valentine's-themed items available and will serve refreshments. Ben Owen



Works from Chris Luther Pottery



Works from O'Quinn Pottery

Pottery will feature Chinese Red and purple glazes. Chris Luther Pottery will serve chocolates and demonstrate throughout the day. O'Quinn Pottery will offer refreshments and door prizes. Jugtown Pottery will feature copper reds, vases, tea wares, felted pieces and JLK Jewelry. For more information, visit [www.PotteryOfBusbeeRoad.com](http://www.PotteryOfBusbeeRoad.com).



People enjoying one of the Hot Glass & Cold Beer events at STARworks

The next STARworks Hot Glass Cold Beer evening is Feb. 12. HGCB is on the second Thursday of each month, from 5:30 to 7:30pm. The public is invited to come watch a free hot glass demonstration. Visitors who are 21 and older can purchase a hand-blown STARworks glass and receive complimentary beer throughout the evening. Beer on tap will be from North Carolina breweries.

STARworks is located seven miles south of Seagrove at 100 Russell Drive in Star. For more information, visit [www.STARworksNC.org](http://www.STARworksNC.org) or call 910/428-9001.

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beauty of Japanese ceramics and the influence and inspiration that it has provided to many of our state's potters. Twenty-three potters from across the state have been asked to participate. Their work will be highlighted in this exhibition.

Duff states, "As a potter profoundly continued above on next column to the right



Museum Hours:  
Tues-Sat 10am-4pm  
Business Hours:  
Mon-Fri 8:30am-5pm

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## NORTH CAROLINA POTTERY CENTER

influenced by my own study in Japan, it has been deeply gratifying to curate an event celebrating that same vital impact on my fellow North Carolina potters, many already shaped by a two hundred year tradition of the state's traditional ceramic art. It is a joy to bring to you a show exploring the rich depth and breadth that occurs when two great traditions become entwined."

As part of the NC Potter's Conference taking place in Asheville, NC, Duff will be giving a presentation on the exhibition on Sunday, Mar. 8 from 1:30 to 2:30pm at the North Carolina Pottery Center.

Featured artists include: Tacy Apostolik, Cynthia Bringle, Josh Copus, Adrienne Dellinger, Judith Duff, Susan Filley, Warner Hyde, Fred Johnston, Matt Kelleher, Eric Knoche, Jan Lee, Linda McFarling, Reiko Miyagi, Ben Owen III, Ron Philbeck, Akira Satake, Jason Serres, Michael Sherrill, Hitomi Shibata, Takuro Shibata, David Stuempfle, Hiroshi Sueyoshi, and Shoko

Teruyama.

Many of the outstanding pieces by the highly recognized artists featured in this exhibition will be available for purchase.

Exhibitions at the North Carolina Pottery Center are made possible through the generosity of our membership, the Mary and Elliott Wood Foundation, the John W. and Anna H. Hanes Foundation, and the Goodnight Educational Foundation. This project was supported by the NC Arts Council, a division of the Department of Cultural Resources, with funding from the National Endowment for the Arts. Thank you!

The mission of the North Carolina Pottery Center is to promote public awareness of and appreciation for the history, heritage, and ongoing tradition of pottery making in North Carolina.

For further information check our NC Institutional Gallery listings, call the Center at 336/873-8430 or visit [www.ncpotterycenter.org](http://www.ncpotterycenter.org).

The deadline each month to submit articles, photos and ads is the 24th of the month prior to the next issue. This will be Feb. 24th for the March 2015 issue and Mar. 24 for the April 2015 issue.

## Discover the Seagrove Potteries

Seagrove is a Community of Working Potters & home to the North Carolina Pottery Center

**You're invited....**

to visit the Seagrove potters at their workshops & studios nestled in the countryside.

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Seagrove is located in the Center of North Carolina 40 miles south of Greensboro on Hwy. 220 (future I-73, I-74)

[www.discoverseagrove.com](http://www.discoverseagrove.com)

# North Carolina Pottery Center in Seagrove, NC, Offers Exhibit of Works with Japanese Influence

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We can all appreciate the tradition and Page 34 - Carolina Arts, February 2015