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## EDUCATION

- 2023 BFA Studio Art, Ceramics, Honors Tutorial College, Ohio University, Athens, OH
  - 2023 BA Art History, Minor in Classics and Religious Studies, Honors Tutorial College, Ohio University, Athens, OH
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## AWARDS AND GRANTS

- 2023 Ohio Craft Museum Emerging Artist
  - 2022 Provost Undergraduate Research Fund, Ohio University, Athens, OH
  - 2022 Margaret Brown Krecker Prize in Art, "Awarded annually to the Senior Student in the OU College of Fine Arts who has created the best work of art, submitted in the current year in the fields of painting, sculpture, and ceramics." (Juror: Noah Riedel) Ohio University, Athens, OH
  - 2022 3rd Prize Award, Juried National Exhibition (Juror: Sally Windle), Majestic Gallery, Nelsonville, OH
  - 2022 Friends of Arrowmont Tuition Scholarship, Arrowmont School of Arts and Crafts, Gatlinburg, TN
  - 2022 Eleanor Wedel Award, Undergraduate Juried Exhibition (Juror: Matt Wedel), Ohio University Gallery, Athens, OH
  - 2022 Dean's Travel Grant, Honors Tutorial College, Ohio University, Athens, OH
  - 2019 Dean's Travel Grant, Honors Tutorial College, Ohio University, Athens, OH
  - 2018 Provost Undergraduate Research Fund, Ohio University, Athens, OH
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## RESIDENCIES

- 2023 ASPN Artist in Residence, Red Lodge Clay Center, Red Lodge, MT
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## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- 2023 Workshop Assistant, Jenn Cole, Arrowmont School of Arts and Crafts, Gatlinburg, TN
- 2023 Installation Assistant, Logan Reynolds, *Just So*, Trisolini Gallery, Athens, OH
- 2023 Installation Assistant, Reiker Dean, *Chronically Online*, Trisolini Gallery,

- Athens, OH
- 2022 Kiln Builder, Brad Schweiger, Gas Reduction Kiln, Athens, OH
- 2022 Installation Assistant, Emily O'Keefe Connell, *Subtext*, Majestic Gallery, Nelsonville, OH
- 2022 Installation Assistant, Hayun Surl, *Journey*, Trisolini Gallery, Athens, OH
- 2022 Installation Assistant, Gina Pisto, *To Hold*, Trisolini Gallery, Athens, OH
- 2021 Studio Apprentice, Brad Schweiger, Athens, OH
- 2021 Kiln Builder, Hayun Surl, Soda Firing / Reduction Cooling Kiln, Ohio University, Athens, OH
- 2018-19 Volunteer, Passionworks Studios, Athens, OH

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### EXHIBITION RECORD

- 2023 New and Now: Emerging Artists of Ohio 2023, Group Exhibition, Ohio Craft Museum, Columbus, OH
- 2023 2/FIFTHS, Duo Show, Cube 4 Gallery, Athens, OH
- 2023 ROOT OF THE MATTER, Group BFA Thesis Exhibition, Ohio University Art Gallery, Athens, OH
- 2023 Cube Cluster, Group Exhibition, Cube 4 Gallery, Athens, OH
- 2022 Carbondale Clay Center Cup Auction, Carbondale Clay Center, Carbondale, Colorado
- 2022 Undergraduate Juried Exhibition, Ohio University Art Gallery, Ohio University, Athens, OH **Margaret Brown Kreckler Prize in Art** (Juror: Noah Riedel)
- 2022 "It's Only Clay" Juried Exhibition, Watermark Gallery, Bemidji, MN
- 2022 Juried National Exhibition, Majestic Gallery, Nelsonville, OH **3rd Prize Award** (Juror: Sally Windle)
- 2021 Undergraduate Juried Exhibition, Ohio University Art Gallery, Ohio University, Athens, OH **Eleanor Wedel Award** (Juror: Matt Wedel)
- 2021 Juried National Exhibition, Majestic Gallery, Nelsonville, OH (Juror: Karla Hackenmiller)

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### PUBLICATION AS AUTHOR

- 2023 McSteen, Liam. *From Mounds to McCoys: Clay Industry and Culture in the Ohio Valley Region: Exploring Function and Industry Through Material Creation*. Ohio University Archives. Athens, OH. April 28, 2023.

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## **TECHNICAL EXPERTISE**

- Wheel Throwing
- Altering Thrown Forms
- Handbuilding Ceramics
- Plaster Mold-Making
- Clay Mixing
- Glaze Chemistry and Calculation
- Advanced Kiln Firing techniques including: Electric Kiln Programming, Gas Reduction Kiln Firing, Soda Firing, Salt Firing, Wood Firing, Reduction Cooling
- Extensive knowledge of process and techniques in kiln building including: Kiln Design, Welding, Kiln Cement, Castable, Arch Form creation and operation
- Extensive operational and safety knowledge of woodworking and construction power tools such as: table, miter, jig and circular saws, planers, drills, sanders, and pneumatic air tools

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## **REFERENCES**

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