LIST OF ARTISTS



Nicole Awai



Michael Beitz



Clarina Bezzola

Overleaf: Works created by Ron Rondaw in the Pottery, 1985.

Peter Aberle (1952-1985) Pottery, 1981

Ann Agee (b. 1959), New York Pottery, 1990 an`vd 1998

When [the associates] turned off the lights in the afternoon, I would draw. I drew the space because I just wanted to document it, and you couldn't take photographs. When I would come back to my table and the guys had come back from their break, I would see people at my table looking at my drawings. That is how I made a lot of contact with people. Seeing the work space as an object, that embrace of the space, has influenced my work now.

Seyed Alavi (b. 1958), California Foundry, 1990

Aldwyth (b. 1935), South Carolina Foundry, 1998

No matter how odd my request, there was someone with a suggestion on how to achieve the desired result.

Maria Alquilar (b. 1938), Florida Foundry, 1989 and 1994

Carlos A. Alves (b. 1963), Florida Pottery, 1996

David Kimball Anderson (b. 1946), California Foundry, 1993

It was and remains a very prestigious residency for those who value hands-on, hard work.

Kent Anderson (b. 1948), Wisconsin Pottery/Foundry, 1989

Mark Anderson, Florida

Foundry, 1988

Chris Antemann (b. 1970), Oregon

Pottery, 2004

The residency allowed me to increase the scale of my work as well as branch out into more complex forms. It transformed my way of thinking about what was possible.

Tre Arenz (1953-2003) Pottery/Foundry, 1995

Lawrence Argent (b. 1957), Colorado Foundry, 1994

Ernest Aryee (b. 1964), Illinois Pottery, 1996

Walter Askin (b. 1929), California

Foundry, 1987

I learned how to negotiate space and time with others who have totally different backgrounds, values, and daily goals, and apply their techniques to my process of creating sculpture. **Tina Aufiero** (b. 1959), Washington Foundry, 1996

Nicole Awai (b. 1966), New York Pottery, 2008

Being there invigorated my process and made my artwork feel essential.

Jan Axel, New York Pottery, 1979 and 1981

Timothy Joseph Bahash (b. 1973), Pennsylvania Pottery, 2002

Clayton Bailey (b. 1939), California Pottery, 1979 and 1981

Lesley Baker (b. 1963), Indiana Pottery, 2005

Roderick Bamford (b. 1958), Australia Pottery/Foundry, 1989

The scale is awesome: instead of materials delivered in boxes and bags, they were conveyed in boxcars and Bobcats.

Todd Galbreth Barricklow (b. 1969), California Pottery, 1999

Steve Barry (b. 1956), New Mexico Foundry, 1996

Elaine Battles (b. 1941), Ohio Pottery, 2006

Susan Beiner (b. 1962), Arizona Pottery, 1997

Michael Beitz (b. 1976), New Mexico Pottery, 2011

David Best (b. 1945), California Pottery, 1980

Tom Bevan (b. 1946), New York Pottery, 1998

Clarina Bezzola (b. 1970), New York

Pottery, 2002

Meeting people who live such different lives gives you an opportunity to reflect on your own existence; I walked away with a much different view on life.

Michael Bishop (b. 1945), California Foundry, 2001 and 2004

Miriam Bloom (b. 1949), New York Pottery, 1990

Timothy Blum (1967-2013) Foundry, 2008

Mary Jo Stary Bole (b. 1956), Ohio Pottery/Foundry, 1988 and 2007

Steven Bradford (b. 1958), New York Foundry, 1992, 1994, and 1995

Amy Brier, Indiana Foundry, 2000

Javier Brewster Brockmann, Mexico Foundry, 1997

Frank J. Brown (b. 1956), Minnesota Pottery, 1994

Joseph Brown (b. 1939), Minnesota Pottery, 1990

R. G. Brown, Georgia Foundry, 1989

Rory Burke (b. 1977), Wisconsin Pottery, 2010 and 2011

How exciting to be liberated from my own studio, my own tools, my own modes of working, my old habits! I was able to use all that I had done, all that I knew. and start again.

Michael Burns, Wisconsin Foundry, 1989

Tina Mariko Burton (b. 1976), Utah

Foundry, 2000

Late evenings, the enamelers would cook venison sausage on the ledge of the kilns. After pulling the glowing enameled iron out of the kiln, we would sit down and share the sausage while watching the work cool. It was a rewarding bonding experience.

Shawn Busse (b. 1971), Oregon Pottery, 2000

Ana Busto (b. 1952), New York Pottery/Foundry, 1995

Carole Byard, New York Pottery, 1994 and 1995

Sandra Byers (b. 1949), Wisconsin Pottery, 1982 and 1986

Winthrop Byers (b. 1949), Wisconsin Pottery, 1986

Juliellen Byrne (b. 1957), Ohio Pottery, 1992

Jessica Calderwood (b. 1978), Wisconsin Foundry, 2002

I learned that I didn't have to touch and do every little thing on a piece for it to work. The residency was so much about connecting with those who know much more than you do, have skills that you don't

Beth Campbell (b. 1971), New York Pottery, 2010

After my experience at Kohler Co. and all of its challenges and possibilities, I left feeling that I could do anything or make anything.

William H. Campbell (b. 1935), Pennsylvania Pottery, 1974

This was early on in the whole Arts/Industry program, and the employees were very helpful and interested in us. They just couldn't believe that we would come in every day and work a double shift.

Mary Carlson (b. 1951), New York Foundry, 2003

Mary Ellen Carroll (b. 1961), New York Pottery, 2007

Linda Casbon (b. 1959), New York Pottery, 2002

Marek Cecula (b. 1944), Poland Pottery, 1982

Arts/Industry reinforced my belief in the direction of my own industrial process.

Aurore Chabot (b. 1949), Arizona Pottery, 1985

Jackie Chang (b. 1963), New York Pottery, 1994

I developed a better sense of the relationship that needs to be defined and negotiated when you rely on others to help bring your work to fruition.

Pang-Ling Chou (b. 1958), China Pottery, 1987

Anthony Cioe (b. 1981), New York Pottery, 2006

Natalie Jane Clark (b. 1963), Wyoming Pottery, 1992

John Cleater (b. 1965), New York Foundry. 2007

Kristen Cliffel (b. 1967), Ohio

Pottery, 1993

I think the most valuable part was the constant access to materials and the feeling of being able to do anything...the vast opportunities that the factory allowed me.

Candy Coated, Pennsylvania Pottery, 2004

Malcolm Cochran, Ohio

Foundry, 1994

I continue to find ways to work with various industries and fabricators. [The associates] enjoy the challenge and variety of using their skills and expertise in new and unpredictable ways.

Willie Cole (b. 1955), New Jersey Pottery, 2000

Christian Collins, Wisconsin Foundry, 1995



Frank Brown



Mary Ellen Carro



John Cleater



Willie Cold



Jess Riva Cooper



William B. Cravis

Michel L. Conroy, Texas

Pottery, 1981

It is an important opportunity for artists not only to utilize the production capabilities of the factory but also to see their work through the eyes of the Kohler Co. employees—who proved to be pragmatically critical, openly inquisitive, and generously supportive. I believe the employees have as much effect on the artists as the enormous scale of the factory facilities.

Cynthia N. Consentino (b. 1962), Massachusetts Pottery/Foundry, 1998 and 2004

Barbara Cooper (b. 1949), Illinois

Foundry, 2006

It was an opportunity to take my ideas and apply them to another media, and because of that, very new insights came about. It was a time to experiment and play with form and process.

Jess Riva Cooper (b. 1981), Canada Pottery, 2013

Linda Cordell (b. 1963), New York Pottery, 2003

Michael Corney (b. 1956), California Pottery/Foundry, 1995

Caroline Courth, Michigan

Pottery, 1993

Working as an art production worker alongside the plumbing production workers was an easy, welcome, and logical extension of my previous experiences and inclinations.

Mark H. Cowardin (b. 1970), Kansas Foundry, 2002

Stephen Cramb (b. 1967), Australia

Pottery, 2009

I am a better artist and create stronger artworks when I link myself with industry and artisans, extending the potential of my projects far beyond what I can achieve on my own within the confines of a studio.

William B. Cravis (b. 1964), Oregon Pottery 2008

Johan Creten (b. 1963), France Pottery, 1995

Kim Cridler (b. 1968), Michigan

Foundry, 1999

Arts/Industry made me a better artist. By being a resident and particularly by being a coordinator, I got to see how great artists work, how great artists cooperate, how great artists present themselves.

Phoebe Cummings (b. 1981), United Kingdom Potterv. 2008

What stays with me most vividly is the sense that Kohler Co. is a place where the impossible becomes possible.

Venetia Dale (b. 1981), Massachusetts Pottery, 2013

Christopher Davis-Benavides (b. 1955), Wisconsin Pottery, 1988

Stephen Paul Day (b. 1954), Louisiana Pottery, 2007

Blane De St. Croix, New York Foundry. 2000

John DeFazio (b. 1959), New York Pottery, 1993

Andrea Dezsö (b. 1968), New York Pottery, 2009

Kim Dickey (b. 1964), Colorado

Foundry, 2005

After three months of wearing safety glasses, steel-toed boots, and ear protection all day long, I remember feeling very strange, almost naked and vulnerable without them!

Tom Dimig (b. 1953), South Carolina Pottery, 1985

Michael Dinges (b. 1958), Illinois Foundry, 2008

Poe Dismuke, Arizona Pottery, 1988

Joseph DiStefano (b. 1940), California Pottery/Foundry. 1976

I saw that the workers were using large funnels to apply pressure to the slip and produce flat tiles. I have continued to use this process throughout my work and career.

Glenn E. Doell (b. 1951), Ohio Pottery, 1986

Eddie Dominguez (b. 1957), New Mexico Pottery, 1988 and 2000

Steve Donegan (b. 1951), Pennsylvania Pottery, 1986

Clarice Dreyer (b. 1946), Montana Foundry, 1994

Ellen Driscoll (b. 1953), New York Pottery, 2001

Paula Dubaniewicz (b. 1954), Ohio Pottery, 1987

Billy Blaise Dufala (b. 1981), Pennsylvania Foundry, 2007

I'm running a residency program right now that has a lot to do with relationships and people's experience being shared out of gratitude and respect. I wonder if I would be hanging out in a recycling center on weekday mornings pro bono, working with artists to make experimental work if I had never gone to Kohler Co.

Nancy Dwyer (b. 1954), Vermont Foundry, 1992

Jack Earl (b. 1934), Ohio Pottery, 1974, 1976, and 1978

Janet Echelman (b. 1966), Massachusetts Foundry, 2000

David Eckard, Oregon Foundry, 1993

Tom Elliott (b. 1954), Virginia Pottery, 1976

Carol Emmons (b. 1953), Wisconsin Pottery, 2012

The intensity of the experience ranged from the day-to-day physical environment of the factory, to the broad range of media and processes available, to the need to rely on so many others, all combined with a desire to make new and challenging work. Working in multiples against the background of the factory—where the goal is infinitely repeatable and identical products—added a layer of conceptual depth I had not expected.

Dan Engelke (b. 1933), Wisconsin Pottery, 1985

Cary Esser (b. 1955), Missouri Pottery, 1982

I did several public art projects that required significant collaboration with government bodies and other artists. I'm sure my experience at Kohler Co. helped me in working with other people.

Teresa Francis Faris (b. 1972), Wisconsin Foundry, 1999

Being a resident made me hyperaware of the idea that making art is not about being in solitude; it is about being part of a community.

Ming Fay (b. 1943), New York Pottery/Foundry, 1995

Christine Federighi (1949-2006)

Potterv. 1986

At times, it was difficult to keep on track; so many of the processes and activities generated new ideas. The factory was overwhelming, and after a month, it was home.

Dorothy Jo Feibleman (b. 1951), Japan Pottery, 1996

Greg Fensterman, Florida Pottery, 1985

Deborah Fisher (b. 1970), New York Pottery, 2002

Peter W. Flanary (b. 1956), Wisconsin Foundry, 1993 and 1997

The learning opportunities were endless in the Foundry, Weld Shop, and Machine Shop, and from working with other artists.

Ron Fondaw (b. 1954), Missouri Pottery/Foundry, 1985 and 1989

Ed Forde (b. 1945), New Mexico Pottery, 1985

Raye Fore (b. 1946), California Pottery, 1984

Vicki Bourek Francouer (1952–2010) Pottery, 1985

David Franklin (b. 1972), Washington Pottery, 2012

Being an Arts/Industry alumnus is like having magic dust (probably silica based) sprinkled on you. More than once I have noticed a change in the way I am treated by arty types when they hear I was a resident.

Barbara L. Frey (b. 1952), Texas Pottery, 2006 Leslie Fry (b. 1954), Vermont

Foundry, 1996

My most vivid memories are images of molten iron, and not one soft material such as paper or cloth in the entire factory. The "macho-ness" of it all was inspiring.

Marc Ganzglass (b. 1973), New York Foundry. 2005

Josh Garber (b. 1963), Illinois Foundry, 1992

Eric J. Garcia (b. 1977), Illinois Pottery, 2013

Ann Gardner (b. 1947), Washington Pottery/Foundry, 1984, 1986, and 1991

Michael Garr (b. 1964), Minnesota Foundry, 1996

The Foundry felt very medieval with the molten metal, flames, and people moving around in comparison to my quiet study in rural Pennsylvania.

Theaster Gates (b. 1973), Illinois Pottery, 2010

Aristotle George Georgiades (b. 1955), Wisconsin Foundry, 1992 and 2005

Renee Sheila Gertler (b. 1974), California Foundry, 2002

I was a little surprised; the studios were literally IN the factory! I was asked lots of basic questions about art, which in turn made me think about what art is

Denny Gerwin (b. 1979), North Carolina Pottery, 2010

I arrived with a toolbox and sketchbook, and left with a few sculptures and a couple thousand pounds of molds that are still being used three years later.

Wally Gilbert (b. 1946), United Kingdom Foundry, 2004 and 2008

Dan Gilsdorf (b. 1973), Oregon Foundry, 2007

Karin Giusti, New York

Pottery, 1992

One of the most rewarding aspects of my stay in Kohler, Wisconsin, was getting to know the people in that region. They showed me an American value system that was a blend of honesty, hard work, pride in craftsmanship, and a love of their Wisconsin farmland heritage.

Martha Glowacki (b. 1950), Wisconsin Foundry, 1993 and 1995

Shannon Goff (b. 1974), Pennsylvania Pottery, 2004 and 2010

Ronald Mario Gonzalez (b. 1952), North Carolina Foundry, 1988

Mark F. Gordon (b. 1952), New York Foundry, 1992

I'm still using some of the "parts" cast twenty years ago in mixed-media sculptures.

John Grade (b. 1970), Washington Foundry, 2003



Ronald Gonzales



Wally Gilber



Karin Giusti



David Franklin



David Harpe



Gary S. Griffin



Gerit Grimm



Lauren Grossman

Gary John Gresl (b. 1943), Wisconsin Pottery, 2009

The residency helped refocus and reemphasize my motivations to utilize found materials drawn out of human experience and culture.

Gary S. Griffin (b. 1945), New Mexico Foundry, 2007

George Gerry Griffin (b. 1938), New Jersey Foundry, 1990

It changed the direction of my work; before the residency, I made lightweight linear work.

Kathleen Griffin, New York

Foundry, 2004

Laura Griffith, Washington Foundry, 1997

Gerit Grimm (b. 1973), Wisconsin

Pottery, 2006

Lauren Grossman (b. 1960), Washington Foundry, 1990 and 2005

The first few days were a heady mix of terror and possibility. At that time, the Foundry was running three loud shifts of grinders, swinging tubs, and crucible trucks each day. How could I possibly make something that could visually hold its own in a place of this scale and intensity without getting lost, yelled at, or run over in the process?

Kristin Gudjonsdottir (1966-2007) Foundry, 1996

Karen Gunderman (b. 1951), Wisconsin Pottery, 1996

Jens Gussek (b. 1964), Germany Pottery, 2006

Gerhard Hahn (b. 1956), Germany Foundry, 1997, 2002, and 2013

After having worked intensely with ceramic mold making and big clay sculpture, the iron casting process was a gateway to new possibilities and ideas, but especially established my plan to seek continuous inspiration in synergetic cooperation with factories.

Maki Hajikano, Texas Foundry, 2002

Hoss Haley, North Carolina

Foundry, 1999

During my residency, I pushed the boundaries of scale in my work and have continued to work in large scale since then.

Patrick Earl Hammie (b. 1981), Illinois Pottery, 2011

Annie Han (b. 1967), Washington Pottery, 2013

Derek Harding (b. 1969), Massachusetts Pottery, 2005

Richard Harned (b. 1951), Ohio Foundry, 2000

Hilary Harp (b. 1964), Arizona Foundry, 2002 David R. Harper (b. 1984), Illinois

Pottery, 2012

There were moments that I shared with the Kohler Co. associates that I will never forget. For some, interacting with artists has become a part of their job, and they make a great effort to help build the residency experience. I learned a lot there—not just about my art, but about myself.

Robert Harrison (b. 1953), Montana Pottery, 1989

Amy Haskins (b. 1973), New York Foundry, 2005

Jeremy Hatch (b. 1974), Montana

Pottery, 2011

My plans quickly expanded and my studio became a laboratory of experiments and digressions.

Molly Hatch (b. 1978), Massachusetts Pottery, 2009

My exposure to the people and process behind the making of ceramic objects at Kohler Co. resulted in a sort of paradigm shift for me, helping shape the path of my career collaborating with industry as a product designer.

Amy Hauber (b. 1967), New York Pottery, 1999 and 2001

The residency could not have worked for me without the artists' house. All of us would come back together at the end of the day to share experiences and meals and talk and laugh. It was an instant family-bonding experience.

Masumi Hayashi (1945-2006) Potterv. 1985

Martha Heavenston (b. 1955), California Foundry, 1992 and 1994

Dr. Nigel Helyer (b. 1951), Australia

Foundry, 1990

Arts/Industry allowed an expansive view of studio practice, but one tempered by real-world, practical realities. I have continued to work in public and industrial situations ever since.

Ian Henderson (b. 1978), North Carolina Pottery, 2013

Giselle Hicks (b. 1979), California

Pottery, 2005 and 2012

Working in an environment with the motto "variability is the enemy of quality"—the antithesis of an artist's creative process—was wonderfully thought provoking and challenging.

Elisabeth Higgins O'Connor, California Pottery, 1997

Jonathan Hils (b. 1970), Oklahoma Foundry, 2005

John David Himmelfarb (b. 1946), Illinois Foundry, 2007

William Hinton (b. 1957), North Carolina Pottery, 1989

Kevin A. Hluch (b. 1949), Maryland Pottery, 1984

Angelika Hofmann (b. 1952), Germany Pottery, 1992

Priscilla Hollingsworth, Georgia

Pottery, 1996

I thought it would be interesting to juxtapose manufactured and handmade versions of the same forms in an installation. What I discovered was that the slip-casting process calls for considerable effort and skill. I ended up seeing that my slip-cast forms were just as "made" as the ones that I hand built, in an important sense.

Christian Holstad, New York Pottery, 2000

Coille McLaughlin Hooven (b. 1939), California Pottery, 1979

I still remember the total impact of the experience the feeling of being cast out of the boat and having to teach myself to swim, of learning independence and breaking internal barriers.

Deborah Horrell (b. 1953), Oregon Pottery, 1982 and 1984

Olen Hsu (b. 1975), Pennsylvania Pottery, 2006

Mi-Sook Hur (b. 1965), North Carolina Foundry, 1999

Barbara Idzikowska (b. 1962), Poland Pottery, 2013

Junko lijima (b. 1969), Oregon Foundry, 2004

Sadashi Inuzuka (b. 1951), Canada

Foundry, 1997

[The associates'] point of view is very different from the artists', and they helped me to see my work process as a whole.

Burton Isenstein (b. 1955), Illinois Pottery, 1981

Sergei Isupov (b. 1963), Massachusetts

Pottery, 2003

The residency affected my thinking, made me feel more preciously about each piece I make, and took away some of the need or pressure to produce in multiples.

Phil Jameson (b. 1952), California Pottery, 1986

Hai Chi Jihn (b. 1959), Wisconsin Foundry, 2002

The residency elevated my work from small studio-scale to whole-room installations. I am still using the parts in my work.

Charles E. Johnson (b. 1959), Pennsylvania Pottery, 1994

Indira Freitas Johnson (b. 1943), Illinois Pottery/Foundry, 1992

Sue Johnson (b. 1957), Virginia

Pottery, 2007

As an artist primarily working in 2-D media, the full-on experience of working in 3-D with industrial materials pushed me to my limits in a good way.

James Johnston, Minnesota Pottery 1981

Tom Joyce (b. 1956), New Mexico Foundry, 2002, 2005, and 2013

Rajkamal Kahlon (b. 1974), Germany Pottery, 2006

Yoshiko Kanai (b. 1956), New York Pottery, 1998

Robert Karimi, Minnesota

Pottery, 2008

If artists are sponges, then I need to be squeezed, wrung thoroughly for a long time, for the totality of this residency to be fully revealed.

Beth Katleman (b. 1959), New York Pottery, 1995

Stuart Keeler (b. 1973), Canada Foundry, 2000, 2006, and 2008

Steve Kelly (b. 1949), Montana Foundry, 1994

Justin Morgan Kennedy (b. 1969), Wisconsin Pottery, 2010

Coming to Kohler Co. for three months, away from my family, away from my teaching obligations, helped reinstill the creative spark.

JuYeon Kim (b. 1972), South Korea Pottery, 2012

Carol Kliger (b. 1949), Colorado

Pottery, 1990

The residency transformed my understanding of how a mold can be used, and my work has never been the same: unique pieces could be pulled from a single mold; multiples did not have to be duplicates.

Gregory Kline, Massachusetts Foundry, 2000

Win Knowlton (b. 1953), New York Foundry, 1994

Azade Köker, Germany Pottery, 1993

Joyce Kozloff (b. 1942), New York Pottery, 1986 and 1987

One afternoon, factory personnel came through bolting all the windows and doors shut, as a tornado was moving toward us across the lake. The sky was turning yellow and nasty, then dark—it was visually fascinating. Then the whole factory went dark, and we were without electricity for hours. Workers came through with candles, and one of the artists fell in love with one of the men. It was my only tornado.

Charles Krafft (b. 1947), Washington Pottery, 1999

Ginger Krebs (b. 1970), Illinois Pottery, 2000

David G. Krueger (b. 1956), New York Foundry, 2001

The quietest time was from midnight to three or four in the morning. It was peaceful in the studio, alone with my work, my music, and the hum and bustle of the factory outside the open doors.



Angolika Hoffman



Yoshiko Kana



Robert Karimi



Chris Lo Sze Lim



Juan Logan



Heidi Lasher-Oakes



Bradley McCallum

Julia Kunin (b. 1961), New York Pottery, 2007

Carter Kustera (b. 1962), New York Pottery, 1995, 1996, and 1998

Tom LaDousa (b. 1939), Louisiana Pottery, 1974

The factory workers didn't really warm up to us at first. I had long hair and they didn't. And then, after a week or two, one of them walked up and said, "You know, you guys work eighteen hours, you never go home, you work hard: you must be alright." So we connected with the workers, and they helped us, and we didn't bother them and we didn't get in the way. When we had our opening, they all showed up wearing suits.

Karen LaMonte (b. 1967), Czech Republic Pottery, 2009

Eve Andrée Laramée (b. 1956), New York Foundry, 1992

I was in the Foundry having my molds poured by Lenny on the automated bathtub line. He ladled the molten iron into the mold, which split at the seam. Molten iron poured out in streams of glittering sparks. I exclaimed, "That is so beautiful!" and Lenny, thinking I would be disappointed that the mold split, said, "I didn't know anyone else noticed how beautiful it is when that happens."

Heidi Lasher-Oakes (b. 1965), Maryland Pottery, 2000

Tom Lauerman (b. 1974), Pennsylvania Potterv. 2005

I was a resident at the same time as Shannon Goff, whom I had known from graduate school. After the residency, we kept in touch, moved to the same city, got married, and recently had our first child. Shannon likes to say "Toilet factories do wonders for romance."

Andrea Mai Lekberg (b. 1966), New Jersey Foundry, 2001

Marc Leuthold (b. 1962), New York Pottery, 1996

Brook LeVan (b. 1956), Colorado Pottery/Foundry, 1989

Jenny Lind (1942-2011) Pottery, 1990

Sarah Lindley (b. 1973), Michigan Pottery, 2003, 2010, and 2012

My experience was one of tremendous personal growth. During my first residency, I was able to accomplish large-scale work that contributed to my portfolio and helped me move in a slightly new direction. The technical skills that I acquired have been invaluable in my teaching.

Beth Lipman (b. 1971), Wisconsin Pottery, 2003

Stephen Litchfield (b. 1948), Ohio Foundry, 1997

Quoting from my own syllabus: "[In this project] you will be testing the idea that materials have a meaning, and that a change in materials can subvert, negate, or otherwise alter the meaning of an object."

Ken D. Little (b. 1947), Texas Foundry, 1988, 1996, and 1997

Chris Lo Sze Lim (b. 1967), China Pottery, 2007

Connie Susan Loftin (b. 1950), North Carolina Pottery/Foundry, 1988

I was a young artist at the time and a bit fierce about my ideas. At Kohler Co., I learned to listen and consider many other points of view. I also came to have a deep respect for industrial design.

Juan Leon Logan (b. 1946), North Carolina Foundry, 2004

Robert F. Lyon (b. 1952), South Carolina Pottery/Foundry, 1982 and 1986 I think the biggest transformation that took place was through the interaction with the other artists. When I think back, it was those conversations about art and craft that most affected my development

Marilyn Lysohir (b. 1950), Idaho Pottery/Foundry, 1988 and 1989

Kate Devlin MacDowell (b. 1972), Oregon Pottery, 2012

Michael Machnic, Canada Foundry, 2000

Joseph S. Mannino (b. 1950), Pennsylvania Potterv. 1986

At first, I was a bit thrown off by the open studio area adjacent to the factory work space. However, I really enjoyed watching the expert ceramic assemblers at work. Their skills were impressive and informative.

Andrew Martin (b. 1957), Netherlands Pottery, 1985

George Mason (b. 1951), Maine Pottery, 1976

Box cars of Kaolin, acres of kilns, and all the time that I needed to work.

Merrill Mason (b. 1949), Pennsylvania Foundry, 1996 and 1998

Karen Thuesen Massaro (b. 1944), California Pottery, 1976, 1979, and 1984

Bradley McCallum, New York Foundry, 1995 and 1996

Walter S. McConnell (b. 1956), New York Foundry, 1990

Allie McGhee (b. 1941), Michigan Pottery, 1986

Melissa McGill (b. 1969), New York Pottery, 2002 and 2004

I was able to make a body of work in the Pottery that would have been impossible to produce otherwise. I went on to exhibit this work in five solo exhibitions in the United States and Europe the year after my first residency.

Todd McGrain (b. 1961), New York Foundry, 1995 and 1997

Daniel S. McGuire, Wisconsin Foundry, 2000

Yolande Macias McKay, California Foundry, 1998 and 1999

Laura Jean McLaughlin (b. 1965), Pennsylvania Pottery/Foundry, 1999, 2001, and 2002

Amie L. McNeel (b. 1964), Washington Pottery/Foundry, 1999 and 2011

In the factory, I thoroughly enjoyed talking to the tour groups that routinely came through early in the mornings. The public visitors were the realtime litmus for sharing how and why what we were doing was special. For the isolated studio artist to embrace this regular influx of an unpredictable and sometimes apprehensive audience, it was an amazing window for exchange.

Lesley McTague (b. 1981), New York Pottery, 2013

Mårten Medbo (b. 1964), Sweden Pottery, 2008

Eva Melas (b. 1961), New York Pottery, 1993

The factory associates were the fundamental reason the experience was amazing. They were kind, helpful, patient, and sometimes fun!

James Melchert (b. 1930), California Pottery, 1990

Charlotte Meyer (b. 1968), New York Foundry, 2001

Daniel Mihalyo (b. 1970), Washington Foundry, 2013

Kristine Mills (b. 1966), New Mexico Foundry, 1996

Myra Mimlitsch-Gray (b. 1962), New York Foundry, 2007

The opportunity caused me to question my practice and priorities as an artist. It forced me to think of making art as a broader enterprise, more interactive and collaborative.

Masako Miyata (b. 1949), Virginia Pottery, 1987

Chuck Moffit (b. 1969), California Foundry, 2006

Wayne Montecalvo (b. 1953), New York Pottery, 2001

Richard Moquin, California Potterv. 1980

Arnaldo Morales (b. 1967), New York Foundry, 2008

I was given a tricycle with a big basket in the front to go dumpster diving twice a day around the factory complex. It was incredible to pass all the workers and activity. I would go all over and absorb everyone's energy and come back all loaded down with metal parts, greasy, and wearing dirty pants, excited to go to work.

Kate Moran (b. 1958), Pennsylvania Pottery, 1997

Cindi Morrison (b. 1954), Florida Pottery, 1995

John Morton, New York Pottery, 2001 Joel Moses (b. 1948), Virginia

Potterv. 1976

Coming from my first studio after grad school, I was truly in awe. My two prevailing sentiments (not necessarily contradictory) were excitement and intimidation. I got over the intimidation part because the staff was so supportive.

Michael Motley (b. 1950), New Mexico Foundry, 1992

Brooke Moyer, Pennsylvania Pottery, 2003

Alice Mueller (1946-2008) Pottery, 1985

Mia (Fetterman) Mulvey (b. 1969), Colorado Pottery, 2002

Berit A. Naeseth (b. 1965), Colorado Pottery, 2005

This experience helped me go further in the evolution of my ideas and technical skills as well as helping me to become a better teacher.

Dennis Nechvatal, Wisconsin Foundry, 1993

Jim Neel (b. 1948), Alabama Pottery, 2008 and 2010

It was always a team effort. The folks just on the other side of the wall from me were doing what I was doing, but for a living, casting sinks and toilets. I couldn't have done it anywhere else.

Rob Neilson (b. 1966), Wisconsin Foundry, 2006

Mary P. Neubauer (b. 1951), Arizona

Foundry, 2004

I have never been able to replicate the fine finishes I was able to achieve in the industrial environment of the Kohler Co. Foundry.

Gary Lee Noffke (b. 1943), Georgia Foundry, 1993

Matt Nolen (b. 1960), New York Pottery, 1998, 1999, and 2001

Amy Norgaard (b. 1971), Indiana Pottery, 2000

Richard Notkin (b. 1948), Montana Pottery, 1976 and 1978

As the initial skepticism of both factory employees and artists transformed into mutual interests and respect and sharing, friendships were formed. We broadened each other's worlds, for the arts-inindustry combo was far more than just a program. Arts/Industry at Kohler Co. was people from many walks of life, it was relationships, it was a truly unique, multifaceted experience.

Justin Novak (b. 1962), Canada Pottery, 2004

Casey Patrick O'Connor (b. 1962), California Pottery, 1998 Time stopped, and there was only me and my work.

V'Lou Oliveira, Oklahoma Pottery, 1984

Carrie Olson, Ohio Pottery, 2004



Chuck Moffit



Jim Melchert



Mary P. Neubauer



Wayne Potraz



Wonjoo Park



Sibylle Peretti

Michael O'Malley (b. 1965), California

Potterv. 1997

Everywhere I looked I saw this amazing sediment of human labor and thinking—one hundred years of process and problem solving orchestrated into the current moment.

Joel Otterson (b. 1959), California Pottery/Foundry, 1991 and 1992

Carolyn Ottmers, Illinois

Pottery/Foundry, 1995, 1996, 1997, and 1999

Allan Packer (b. 1956), Washington Foundry, 2005

We have memorable moments in our lives that stand above all else that we do. This was one of those moments. It was physically demanding, hot, and emotionally and socially rewarding. The social community of factory life is what modern America was built on; seeing that firsthand was a remarkable experience.

David Packer (b. 1960), New York Pottery, 2006

Xan Palay (b. 1970), Ohio

Foundry, 2000

When I first read the handbook, I could not understand how an artist was to get their work done without interrupting production and how one had to be prepared to negotiate with foremen and workers to have support. I thought this was going to be crazy, and I would get nothing done! It all makes sense once you are there.

Georgius Papadimitriou, Indonesia Foundry, 1995

Wonjoo Park (b. 1961), South Korea Foundry, 2005

Michael Peed (b. 1945), Utah Pottery, 1979

Denise Pelletier (b. 1954), Rhode Island Pottery, 2000, 2001, 2008, and 2012

Sibylle Peretti (b. 1964), Louisiana Pottery, 2007

Anne Perrigo (b. 1953), Oregon Pottery, 1984

Sarah Peters (b. 1973), New York Pottery/Foundry, 1998, 1999, and 2001

Albert Pfarr (b. 1960), New York Pottery, 1993

David Lawrence Phelps (b. 1956), Oklahoma Pottery/Foundry, 1987

John Poole and Norm Taylor took me on a behindthe-scenes tour of the Foundry, which seemed amazingly surreal and confusing—a strange mix of both up-to-the-minute and ancient technology. It was intimidating and incredibly exciting at the same time.

David Phillips (b. 1944), Massachusetts Foundry, 1990

Maria Regina Phillips, Washington

Foundry, 2003

I loved meeting and working with the various factory employees who were generous, curious, and helpful. Many of them were master craftsman of whom I was in awe. I learned with and from my fellow artists as well as from everyone there.

Onno Poiesz (b. 1974), Netherlands Pottery, 2010

John Poole (b. 1956), Minnesota Foundry, 1987

Richard Posner (1948-2011)

Pottery, 2006

Dennis Potami, New York Foundry, 2003

Wayne E. Potratz (b. 1942), Minnesota

Foundry, 1989

Ben Pranger, Virginia Pottery, 1994

Dan Price, Illinois Foundry, 2013

Carol Prusa (b. 1956), Florida

Pottery, 2012

The four months at Kohler Co. taught me that as an artist you can open up your mind and unsettle patterns of thinking by shifting mediums.

Liz Fairhurst Quackenbush (b. 1958), Pennsylvania Pottery, 1990 and 1993

Sharron Quasius (b. 1948), Wisconsin Foundry, 1992, 1994, 1995, and 1997

John J. Rais (b. 1973), Pennsylvania Foundry, 2006 *The factory was a muse.*

Vaughn Chambers Randall, New York

Foundry, 2003

On Thanksgiving Day, one of the casters invited the artists to come to their house and deep-fry a turkey. It was a truly cultural experience as they were skinning a deer in the garage when we got there. There was a toddler helping. As unexpected as this was, the experience is one of my favorite holiday memories. The turkey was excellent.

Jon Rappleye (b. 1967), New Jersey Pottery, 2006 and 2007

Rebecca Ratzlaff, Wisconsin Foundry, 2001

Toril Redalen (b. 1973), Norway

Pottery, 2011

What has had the most impact on me was seeing the factory associates handling the goods, how they moved around and with the clay, like they were in symbiosis with their work.

Deborah Reichard (b. 1969), New Jersey Pottery, 2003

Peter Reiquam (b. 1959), Washington Foundry, 1993

I produced a series of full-size, cast-iron motorcycles which turned out to be a great way to connect with the people working in the factory. Several commented that they had never been to the studio before, but I was creating an image that was familiar to them and they felt comfortable crossing that threshold.

Ildiko Repasi, New York Pottery/Foundry, 1994 and 1995

Justin Richel (b. 1979), Maine Pottery, 2013

Clee Richeson (b. 1969), Oregon

Foundry, 1999

What remains most vivid is the industrial essence of the Foundry itself: the unceasing din of production, the incredible heat generated by the rivers of molten iron flowing through it daily, the inherent and glorious filth of the Foundry, the highly dangerous aspects of casting iron by the ton. It was as if I had been transported into the heart of the Industrial Revolution.

Tom Rippon (1954-2010) Pottery, 1976

Celeste Roberge, Florida Foundry, 2013

Patrick Robison, Wisconsin Pottery, 2001

Mary Roettger (b. 1956), Minnesota Pottery, 2000

John G. Rohlfing (b. 1953), Connecticut Pottery, 1988

Jim Rose (b. 1966), Wisconsin Foundry, 2003

Terry Rosenberg (b. 1954), New York

Pottery, 1979 and 1982

It presented an opportunity for me to create largescale work for the first time, at a pivotal point in my young practice. I wanted to draw "everything" on the seemingly unlimited surfaces. This caused me to open myself to possibilities, to variation, which has been an important part of my work since then.

Yumi Janairo Roth (b. 1970), Colorado Pottery, 2001

The factory's materials, scale, and production methods not only contributed to the making of the work but also to the underlying ideas behind the work.

Anders Ruhwald (b. 1974), Michigan Pottery, 2005

Christopher Russell, New York Pottery, 1993

Paul Sacaridiz (b. 1970), Wisconsin Pottery. 2001

Paul Santoleri (b. 1965), Pennsylvania Pottery, 2009

I continue to do a lot of ceramic work since my intense exposure to the medium in Arts/Industry. Before that, I was essentially a painter and drawer.

Juta Savage, California Pottery, 1988

Stacy Latt Savage (b. 1968), Massachusetts Pottery, 1997

Shane Savage-Rumbaugh, Massachusetts Pottery, 1997

Richard Saxton (b. 1975), Colorado Foundry, 2007

Matthew Scheatzle (b. 1972), California Pottery, 2004

My first impression was of a mind-altering cultural machine on a heretofore unimaginable scale, a

fairy tale fully outfitted with elves and fantastical contraptions, a place of wonder and opportunity. Seeing Kohler Co. products in the factory context further influenced my interest in repeating forms, simple design, and constrained beauty.

Elaine Scheer (b. 1958), Wisconsin

Potterv. 1986

I loved the pace of the work. If you work that hard, something good will come of it—some bad things. too.

Jeff Schmuki (b. 1970), Alabama Foundry, 1996

Phil Schuster (b. 1951), Illinois Potterv. 1985

Alex Schweder, Washington Potterv. 2001 and 2003

Anne Scott Plummer (b. 1951), Minnesota Pottery, 1986

Leonard Seagal (b. 1958), California Foundry, 1997

Paul Sebben (1967–2001) Pottery, 1993

Robert Sedestrom (b. 1935), Illinois
Pottery, 1979, 1980, and 1981
The location of the studio spaces changed
from year to year, sometimes on the first floor,
sometimes on the second or in a tent. I would
arrive with the first shift in the morning and leave
sometime during the second shift. I was an art
worker working in a factory, and I worked.

O. V. Shaffer, Illinois Foundry, 1987

Jackie Shatz (b. 1947), New York Pottery, 2001

Michael Sherrill (b. 1954), North Carolina Foundry, 2006

Debra Sherwood, New York Foundry, 1989

Dong Won Shin, South Korea Potterv. 2003

Carol Siatras (b. 1967), Thailand Foundry, 1995

Christopher Silliman (b. 1948), Virginia Foundry, 1992

Bela Silva (b. 1966), Belgium Potterv. 1996

The residency was a major experience in my life, and because of it I have had the opportunity to work in different factories in different countries.

Bobby Silverman (b. 1956), New York Pottery, 2005

My work is all about surface and the idiosyncrasies of ceramic material. Variability is not my enemy, though I understand why it is the enemy of quality in the factory.

Heather Simmons (b. 1966), California Foundry, 1998



Peter Reiguam



Anne Scott Plumme



Bradley Sunnarborg



Timea Tihanyi



Aaron T. Stephen



Matt Tool

Buster Simpson, Washington Pottery, 1984

Tommy Simpson (b. 1939), Connecticut Pottery, 1985

Laura Sindell, Washington Pottery, 1984

Sandy Skoglund (b. 1946), New Jersey Pottery, 2001

Robert Smart (b. 1973), Minnesota Foundry, 2000

Doug Snider (b. 1968), California

Pottery, 1996

After finishing the residency, I maintained the same work ethic that I learned at Kohler Co., trying to stay as prolific as the factory workers. This is essential to surviving as an artist.

John Snyder (b. 1956), Iowa Pottery, 1994

David Solow (b. 1961), North Carolina

Foundry, 2001

Frederick C. Spaulding (b. 1965), Texas Foundry, 2007

Laurie Spencer (b. 1958), Oklahoma

Pottery, 1990

I loved the expansive space with the natural light from the skylights. The Foundry was a much harsher atmosphere with the molten metal moving down the aisles and all of the noise. I also recall noticing that the ceramic studio first aid had Band-Aids, and in the Foundry, it was a stretcher and blanket.

Tom Spleth (b. 1946), North Carolina Pottery/Foundry, 1985, 1987, 1989, 2002, and 2013

Donald Stahlke, Illinois

Pottery, 1997

Christopher John Stanley, Texas Pottery, 1999

Aaron T. Stephan (b. 1974), Maine

Foundry, 2008

It changed the way I think about making, fabricating, and transporting large-scale sculpture.

Melissa Stern (b. 1958), New York
Pottery/Foundry, 1989, 1990, and 1993
I would love to go back and work in the Foundry
again. It takes a while to learn the rhythms of the
place and how to use the energy of the factory
and workers to make "art."

Missy Stevens (b. 1952), Connecticut Pottery, 1985

Jessica Stoller (b. 1981), New York

Pottery, 2011

I worked closely with the third-shift foreman in the Pottery, and he connected me with associates who helped with glazing and firing as well as technical information. There were many associates who shared their knowledge and time in different helpful ways. **Julia Stratton** (b. 1970), Pennsylvania Foundry. 2004

Bradley Sunnarborg (b. 1966), California

Foundry, 1997

I realized that I live in a world full of beautiful things, most of which are made by people who never went to art school. I quit teaching art. I stopped buying art supplies and started buying industrial fabrication equipment. I learned how to be a real craftsman by letting the story of the things I make be bigger than me.

Christine Tarkowski (b. 1967), Illinois Foundry, 2003 and 2008

Norman Taylor (b. 1940), Washington Foundry, 1987

David Tell (1943–1998) Foundry, 1989

Kristin M. Thielking (b. 1969), Wisconsin Foundry, 1999 and 2002

Jon Tierney, Illinois Foundry, 1998

Timea Tihanyi (b. 1969), Washington

Pottery, 2011

I remember row after row of plaster molds laid out in neat order on the first floor of the Pottery, a slight haze of dust, and the afternoon sun through the windows. I was much inspired by the industrial process and social environment.

Eric Tillinghast, New Mexico Foundry, 2003

David Tipton (b. 1934), Pennsylvania Pottery, 1989

Farley Tobin (b. 1951), New York

Pottery, 1978 and 2012

My most vivid memories are of the perfect slip that ran through hoses and the fluid movements of the several hundred men who worked in the Casting Shop.

John Toki, California

Foundry, 1979 and 1982

Basically, I tried everything that the factory employees told me would not work. The factory standards for A-1 ware differ from those of the artist. Smooth, flawless surfaces were of little concern. I sought texture, depth of color, a feeling that the enamel color interacted with iron forms.

Matt Toole (b. 1971), Georgia

Foundry, 2001

Simon Toparovsky (b. 1951), California

Foundry, 1994 and 1995

Amy Toscani, Minnesota Pottery, 2000

Landa Townsend, California Pottery/Foundry, 1990

Elizabeth Turk (b. 1961), New York

Foundry, 2000

I learned bits of advice or opinion from so many, which became a sort of collage. I think this investigation into the expertise of those around me is something I carried forward. It was interesting to have a daily critique by nonartists. I liked the vantage and find I engage others in this same manner to this day as my studio is more public.

Thomas Uebelherr, Wisconsin Foundry, 1993

Bill Underhill (b. 1933), New York Foundry, 1988

Veleta Vancza (b. 1973), New York Foundry, 2006

I was touched by the people who worked alongside me to help me achieve my goals. I was able to apply an enamel adhesion method that I developed in graduate school to larger scale cast-iron objects and perfect a formula for phosphorescent enamel.

Michael Velliquette (b. 1971), Wisconsin Potterv. 2009

It was the most exhausting, hardworking, and fulfilling creative experience I have ever had.

Rimas VisGirda (b. 1942), Illinois Pottery, 1986

Linda Wervey Vitamvas (b. 1954), Wisconsin Pottery, 2011

The studios were surprisingly primitive and raw, and I soon came to appreciate this space as it allowed only the Pottery setting to influence my thoughts and work.

Norwood Viviano (b. 1972), Michigan Pottery, 2010, 2011, and 2012

At first, it is difficult to imagine how you will create work in the situation. It is loud, busy, and dirty. Once in the environment, it quickly becomes clear how you proceed through all processes in the factory.

Jamie Walker (b. 1958), Washington Pottery, 1986

Although the work I completed was not my best, spending four months in a factory environment helped me clarify why I wanted to be an artist and to follow this path with a sense of responsibility and humility.

Heimo Wallner (b. 1961), Vermont Foundry, 1996

Susan Walsh, California Foundry, 1989, 1992, and 1994

Thomas John Walsh (b. 1937), California Foundry, 1988

After I left, I returned to my university, built two cupolas, and my program began to establish itself as a "force" among university foundries doing iron.

Jack L. Wax (b. 1954), Virginia Foundry, 2008

I tell the story of working for days and days, relentlessly attempting to "materialize" an image in cast iron—from wax to melt-out, from sand mold to cart—and then...snap! One hundred hours of hard physical labor was lost with an extra turn of the clamp!

Chris Weaver (b. 1955), Alaska Foundry. 1990 and 1991

When I first walked through the Kohler Co. factory, I was not quite sure what to expect, but I knew this was a special place. The combination of time, financial support, and, most importantly, the factory facility at one's fingertips was a setup with maximum potential for the artist.

Deborah Weinstein, Florida Pottery, 2001

S. Judson Wilcox, Arizona Pottery, 1984

Bernard Williams (b. 1964), Illinois Foundry, 2006

[The residency at] Kohler Co. has inspired me to greater performance as an artist and a human being. This company is doing something that affects many creative people, and we will return to the world inspired, believing that our culture supports us.

Janet Williams (b. 1952), North Carolina Pottery, 1994 and 1995

Robert Winokur (b. 1933), Pennsylvania Pottery, 1985

Tetsuya Yamada (b. 1968), Minnesota Pottery, 2002 and 2009

It was a direct experience of "Industry" being inside of the factory. Specifically, I felt that I was in the production space of "ready-made" coined by Marcel Duchamp.

Linda Yamamoto (b. 1957), Hawaii Foundry, 1999

Lynne Yamamoto (b. 1961), Massachusetts Pottery, 2007

I learned a great deal about work ethic, pacing, and energy from the factory associates.

Andy Yoder (b. 1957), Virginia Pottery/Foundry, 1993 and 1995

Isaiah Zagar (b. 1939), Pennsylvania Potterv. 2001

Xiaohong Zhang (b. 1969), Wisconsin Pottery, 2008

Arnie (Arnold) Zimmerman (b. 1954), New York Foundry, 1989 and 1991

I consider the two times I was there to be grand adventures. My life was deeply enriched by the experiences I had there. I will never forget the place and the people I met.

Lia Zulalian (b. 1961), Massachusetts Pottery/Foundry, 1990, 1994, 1996, and 2000

We have made every effort to represent all the artists who have participated in the Arts/ Industry residency program and regret any errors or omissions.



Jack Wax



Elizabeth Turk



Bernard Williams



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