

THE PEARL, FROM THE **BEGINNING TO THE END**

26-27-28 JUNE 2020

INCLUDED: 20 HOURS OF TEACHING | ALL THE NECESSARY MATERIALS | FIRINGS | NR 3 BREAKFAST AND LUNCH BRUNCH | SAMPLES BOX



INTRODUCTION

A complex and complete course to make the artist independent of creating large and small series of pearls for jewelery in various shapes, sizes and decorations. Making of molds, testing of slip and body porcelain, firing and decoration.

The italian mold expert Abdon Zani, will be in charge of the first part of the course for the execution of complex but practical molds for pearls of different shapes and sizes.

A second part related to the use of the mold with the slip and body porcelain, how to firing and diferent kinds of decoration, will be with Martha Pachón Rodríguez.



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PROGRAM

DAY 01 26/06 7 hours 9.00-17.00	Preparation of the environment and the materials necessary for the construction of the molds; Preparation of plaster and use in making the mold, preservation of plaster and mold; Realization of the parts of the mold, joint and casting channels; Mold finishing; First slip casting tests in the molds; Corrections; Mold drying; Finishing the first pearls, drying and half in the kiln; Firing biscuit;
DAY 02 27/06 7 hours 9.00-17.00	Use of slip porcelain and body porcelain using plaster molds, a second set of slip and body porcelain pearls; Possible modifications; Opening of the biscuit kiln; Cleaning and finishing of biscuit pieces; Methods of pearl decorations, engobes, pigments, etc; Varied techniques for surface and texture treatment; Drying and firing avoiding deformations.; Glaze on the un-fired and on the biscuit pearls, varied practical and fast glazing methods;

Preparation of opaque or glossy and pigmented transparent glazes;

Methods of firing the pearls avoiding deformations, cracks and mistakes;

High temperature firing;

DAY 03

28/06 | 6 hours | 9.00-16.00

Theory of the use of molds and materials for moulding, both with slip and body porcelain. Also, with low and high temperature; Theory and application of firing curves; Material theory; All possible precautions to avoid problems in the conformation of the pearls; All devices for glazing and decoration; How to avoid deformations in drying and firing and use of the supports for pearls and varied parts for jewelry; Kiln opening; Evaluation; FAQ session Frequently Asked Questions;

INFORMATION

The workshop take place in the workroom of the Ceramic & Colours di Faenza in via Pana 34/1 All the participant will receive a samples box with lot of materials used during the workshop. Languages: English, Italian, French, Spanish