

Save The Date For The Annual Bray Benefit Auction and Garden Party!!

Auction opens on July 10, 2025

Garden Party to celebrate on July 17, 2025

Don't miss our Annual Bray Benefit Auction! This year's auction will showcase a diverse collection of works from both past and current resident artists. Be sure to join us on July 17 from 6-9 pm for Archie's Avant Garden Party, where we'll celebrate and wrap up the event in style! Stay tuned for more information and tickets!



SAVE THE DATE

JULY 17 | 6 - 10 PM

VIP RECEPTION 5-6 PM

ONLINE AUCTION | JULY 10
BIDDING BEGINS AT 8 AM

Tickets available soon—details to follow.
Limited VIP tickets will be offered.

THE BRAY

Garden Party
A TICKETED FUNDRAISER FOR THE ANNUAL BENEFIT AUCTION

Enjoy a sneak peek of the auction pieces...

1. Teapot by Lauren Kearns, paired with tea from Lake Missoula Tea Company

HOURS

Clay Business

Monday-Friday, 10 am–5 pm
Saturday, 9 am–5 pm

Gallery & Visitor Center, Exhibitions & Artist Studios

Tuesday-Friday, 11 am–5 pm
Saturday, 12 pm–4 pm
Closed Sunday and Monday

Bray Gallery: Downtown

Wed-Fri, 11 am–5 pm
Saturday, 12 pm–4 pm

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THE BRICKYARD NETWORK

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CLAY IN COLOR



Angelik Vizcarrondo-Laboy and Alex Anderson talk with young professionals of color who use humor, cuteness, and the



2. Mug by Robert Harrison



decorative in their work.

FOR FLUX SAKE



Kathy King, Matt Katz and Rose Katz answer your burning questions about clay and glaze. You'll be laughing and learning about glaze chemistry in no time.

THE KILN SITTERS



Marianne Chénard, Brendan Tang, and Carole Epp bring you enlightening interviews from Canadian makers.

MAKER'S PLAYBOOK



Rebecca Ickes Carra talks with artists about what it's really like to make a living from the things we make.

THE SHOT CALLERS



Each week Virgil Ortiz and Justin Reese will make a signature cocktail with their guests as they talk about their journey through the world of art.

TALES OF A RED CLAY

3. Sculpture by Debbie Kupinsky



Upcoming Exhibitions

Back to the Future: A Collective Legacy of The Bray

June 6 - August 3, 2025

This exhibition will feature work by current Bray long-term residents as well as a preview of The Bray's permanent collection. Each resident will be exhibiting a piece of work that was created or chosen in response to a piece from our permanent collection. Each pairing will be displayed together at the Holter Museum of Art.



Resident Artist Exhibition

June 12 - August 30, 2025

Reception on June 26, 6-8 pm

Join us in celebrating outstanding ceramics at the 2025 Resident Artist Exhibition! This showcase highlights the work of our current and incoming resident artists. Come ignite your creativity, enjoy incredible art, and connect with the artists behind the pieces. This exhibition will be available to view from June 12 to August 30 in the Warehouse Gallery, with a reception on June 26, 6-8 pm.



RAMBLER



Ben Carter talks with potters, sculptors, and ceramic designers about their creative practice.

TRADE SECRET



Adam Chau hosts conversations about contemporary issues in art, craft and design.

Coming Soon! BEYOND THE BRICKYARD

Take a deeper look at the history of the Archie Bray Foundation and its influence on the ceramic world. We are taking listener submitted questions for this podcast. If you have a story to tell shoot us an email and be on the show!

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Bray Clay Customer Appreciation Day!



CUSTOMER APPRECIATION DAY!

Spring is here and we want to invite YOU to our Customer Appreciation Day! Come out and enjoy a hot dog and a cold drink; play some yard games and be sure to enter our raffle for a new Nidec Banding Wheel and get 10% off in-store purchases!**

**SATURDAY
JUNE 7
11AM-2PM**
at the
CLAY BIZ

THE BRAY CLAY

**Discount not applicable for equipment, dry materials and select items.

Summer Experience Classes are here!

Ever seen someone using the pottery wheel and wanted to give it a go? Interested in meeting new people and connecting through art? Looking for a fun activity for your out of town visitors this summer? Need an excuse to get back into working with your hands? Check out our summer wheel classes and sign up today!

June

Dirty Date Night 13th & 26th (6-8pm)
Coffee & Clay 14th (10am-12pm)
Wheel Thrown Cereal Bowl 27th (6-8pm)

July

Dirty Date Night 11th & 30th (6-8pm)
Coffee & Clay 12th (10am-12pm)
Pottery Throw Down 31st (6-8pm)

August

Dirty Date Night 8th & 21st (6-8pm)
Coffee & Clay 9th (10am-12pm)
Pottery Spin 22nd (6-8pm)



[Register for a class today!](#)

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Artist Amplified Is Back!

We're kicking off the 2025 Artist Amplified season with an amazing artist trio: Dante Gambardella, Josh DeWeese, and Colby Allred. Join us at The Bray as they give a joint artist talk about their individual practices following their weeklong workshop, *Working with Local Clay*. Learn about each artist, how local clay has played a role in their ceramic journeys, and the reasons they find sharing the knowledge of sourcing and processing local clay such an important endeavor.

Join us at 6:30 pm, mst, on June 12 in the Frances Senska Center for Education and Engagement.

Can't make it in person? Join the livestream of the talk [HERE!](#)



Stay tuned for more Artist Amplified this summer:

July 10: Meet The Bray's 2025 Resident Artists Part 1

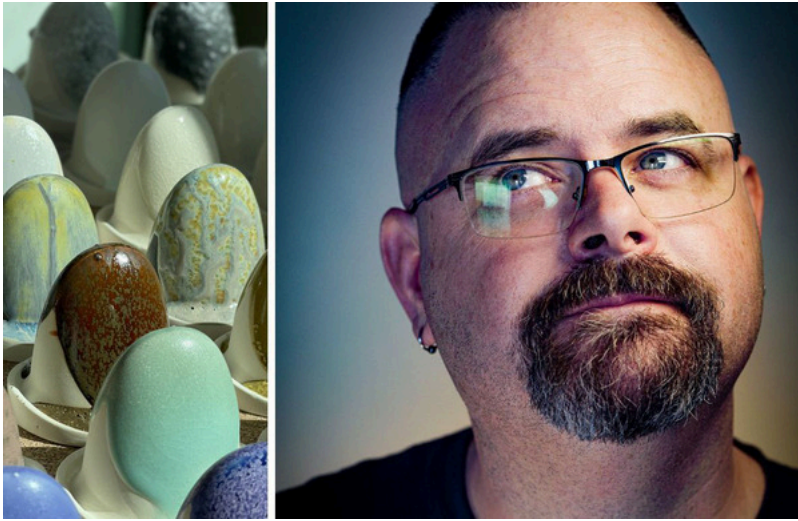
August 14: Meet The Bray's 2025 Resident Artists Part 2

A Few Spots Remain In Our Last Workshop!

Glaze of Our Lives, Understanding Glazed for the Beginner July 21-July 25

Don't miss out on your chance to study in person with co-founder of the popular and noteworthy online teaching platform, Ceramics Material Workshop, Matthew Katz! Join Matt for a 5-day workshop at The Bray as he shares his hard earned knowledge of over 20 years as an Artist and Ceramic Engineer in an understandable and accessible manner. Learn what glazes are, how they work, smash common myths, and change your studio practice forever!

Learn more and register [HERE!](#)



Welcome to our new Visiting Artists: Linda Tien and Ellen Klecker

Coming from Indiana and Iowa, Linda and Ellen hard at work in the Visiting Artist Studio. Stop by the David and Ann Shaner Resident Artist Studio Complex and see what they are putting together!



 **ATTENTION** 
HELENA RESIDENTS

The Bray is looking for housing for our resident artists. If you are or know anyone looking to fill a room please email us

at admin@archiebray.org! Thank you for your support of our artists!

We are thankful for you!

Because of your generous support, we have been able to fuel our mission to promote, celebrate, and sustain the ceramic arts through the residency program, education, gallery, ceramic materials and technology, and community engagement on a local, national, and international scale. In the words of Archie himself, The Bray makes available, “for all who are seriously and sincerely interested in any of the branches of the ceramic arts, a fine place to work”.



Your love of the ceramic arts and our community makes this all possible. You are an important part of our work and our continued success. Please show your support by making a gift today.



The Archie Bray Foundation recognizes and honors the Indigenous peoples of this region on whose ancestral lands the Foundation now stands. Indigenous people have inhabited the valley in which Helena is situated for more than 12,000 years; the valley acting as a crossover for Salish, Crow, Bannock, and Blackfeet tribes among others.

We respectfully acknowledge and honor all Indigenous communities whose land we reside on in what is now known as Montana— past, present, future—and are grateful for their ongoing and vibrant presence. We believe that acknowledging and reflecting upon the contemporary lived experience and history of the Indigenous peoples here in Montana and around the world are essential steps toward creating a more equitable world. Learn more through the [#HonorNativeLand](#) initiative of the U.S. Department of Arts and Culture, and consider contributing to Indigenous-led organizations doing important work to further the health and wellness, sovereignty and self-determination of the first peoples of this land.

The Bray is a nonprofit educational organization dedicated to the enrichment of the ceramic arts, located at 2915 Country Club Ave. in Helena, just 1/3 mile west of Spring Meadow Lake.

This project is supported by the National Endowment for the Arts, and in part by the Montana Cultural Trust, the Montana Arts Council, the Bray Business Alliance and the friends and members of the Bray. The Bray is funded in part by coal severance taxes paid based

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