



*“Did you hear what she said?”*

*“Mama, are you sure this is where lace giraffe babies come from?”*

*“What can you tell me about austerity?”*

*“Do you get the feeling we’re being followed?”*



These are just a few of the conversation starters enacted in clay in the upcoming Celebration of Clay. This special themed exhibition will have its opening August 14 at 5 pm in the Fuller Lodge Art Center in Los Alamos. There are over 40 entries by both individual artists and two-artist collaborations.



Try your hand at connecting the pieces with the conversations and then come to the show and see how you did. These are just a few examples of the entries.

The NMPCA holds an exhibition every year in various locations called the “Celebration of Clay,” where members submit their work to showcase the variety and depth of ceramic art being created in our state. This year’s award jurors, Ken Nebel, Monika Kaden, and Debra Fritts, will select recipients of cash awards, including Best of Show, Awards of Merit, and the UNM Arita Porcelain



Department award for Beauty, Quality and Functionality.

The coveted "People's Choice" is given to the most popular work in the exhibit. Join the fun and cast your vote for your favorite at the gallery or on-line at [www.celebrationofclay.com](http://www.celebrationofclay.com).



The cash awards will be announced at the opening reception held on August 14 from 5-7 pm. The "People's Choice" award is announced following the closing at [celebrationofclay.com](http://www.celebrationofclay.com).

The Fuller Lodge Art Center is a community organization dedicated to promoting the visual arts in Los Alamos through artistic opportunities for all ages through exhibitions, classes, fairs and sales. Currently it supports over 100 local, regional, established and emerging artists. The Art Center is located in Fuller Lodge at 2132 Central Avenue in Los Alamos, NM, and open 10 am - 4 pm Monday through Saturday.



For more information about the annual Celebration of Clay exhibit, [www.celebrationofclay.com](http://www.celebrationofclay.com).

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