

Ann Kiehm

Biography

I grew up in an environment that encouraged making art. My mom created beautiful cakes, fantastic clothes, and lovely things for the home. I often worked alongside her. Then in high school my passion for art emerged. I went to college for fine art and commercial art. After college, I worked as a graphic designer during the day and created fine art works in the evenings.

Several years later I had a chance to make things out of clay. The idea of creating art forms that could also be functional was an ideal notion to me. I made the decision to create utilitarian art and developed my skills as a potter. I discovered in my research, that creating utilitarian objects has always been the natural way to create art in most cultures. Art was part of everyday existence and was not a separate entity. I have come to adopt this very old idea.