



## ***Silly Sister's Pottery Winter 2026 Class Announcement***

Winter is here, and the holidays are (pretty much) over. Time for the next round of Pottery Classes! The winter round of Pottery Classes (Round 19.0) for January – February 2026 begins on January 19. As always, classes will be geared BOTH toward beginner potters, as well as continuing potters. Instruction and demos are aimed toward multiple levels of ability, and there are plenty of challenges to go around for all! And just a reminder: the classes are instruction in throwing pottery on a wheel – handbuilding instruction is only incidental.

### **SESSION A: MONDAY EVENING SESSION, STARTS JANUARY 19, 2026**

6 – week session, once/week

**Monday evenings, 6 – 9**

Jan 19, Jan 26, Feb 2, Feb 9, Feb 16, Feb 23.

### **SESSION B: TUESDAY DAYTIME SESSION, STARTS JANUARY 20, 2026**

6 – week session, once/week

**Tuesday mid-day, 10:30 – 1:30**

Jan 20, Jan 27, Feb 3, Feb 10, Feb 17, Feb 24.

3 PLACES ARE AVAILABLE IN EACH CLASS SESSION.

ADMISSION IS ON A **FIRST COME – FIRST SERVED** BASIS as received by email, per the ‘sent’ date and time on the email. (I’ll consider a fourth spot if need arises.)

### **SIGNUP:**

Sign up will start on MONDAY morning, January 5, at 9 AM. Sign up sheet is on p. 4 of this message.

Send email only; please do not text me.

Please do not sign up before this date/time, it will simply be ignored. This is to give everyone sufficient time to check their calendars and make a firm decision about taking a class.

If your sign-up form is received after the class is filled, your name will be placed on a wait list for that session, in the order received, and I will notify you if someone changes their mind, fails to pay on time, drops out, or fails to show up for their first class with no prior notice.

You may wish to take both sessions.<sup>1</sup> However, as I wish to keep opportunities for new students open, to give as many people as possible a chance to share in the fun, I will not sign anyone up for a second session until January 19. If you sign up for both sessions, please indicate your primary choice with an asterisk (\*). I'll place your name on a wait-list for whichever session is your secondary choice, in the order in which they are received, after the names of anyone wait-listed for JUST that session,

### **COST:**

For EACH 6 – week session (Session A or Session B): **\$280.00**<sup>2</sup>. This includes:

- 1 25-lb. bag of clay;
- Beginner throwing/trimming tools, if you need them.
- All glazing and firing
- 2 ½ - 3 additional hours of 'open studio' time each week (dates to be determined later) so students can come in and work at their own pace. My tentative plan is to have Open Studios on Tuesday evenings and Wednesday mornings, roughly 24 hours after each class session. These times and days are adjustable, within reason. I do not wish to have Open Studio on Fridays for this session. So please also check your calendars for Open Studio time, so we can discuss this at the first class.

### **PAYMENT/ DEADLINE:**

For both Session A & B: **5 PM, FRIDAY JANUARY 16, 2026.**

### **LATE PAYMENT/ DEADLINE:**

Late payments are acceptable only if you are accepted for a second session, or get into class from the waitlist. If you're late with payment, I will put someone from the waitlist in your place in class. If you are wait-listed and placed in a class, payment is due on the day of the first class you attend.

### **PAYMENT PROCEDURE:**

**Do not send cash!** Cash is acceptable only if presented in person, on or before the deadline.

Payment by check should be to my address, shown below, or in person.

Payment by credit card: for security, do not send your credit info by email or text.

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<sup>1</sup> I don't recommend this for beginners. Even for returning students, 3 hours per week of instruction + studio time is a LOT of pottery time!

<sup>2</sup> Sorry about the price increase. Costs have risen dramatically over the past year; I've tried to keep the price as close as possible to the prior class price.

Please call me with the information so I can enter it into my credit payment system. I will need (1) credit card number, (2) expiration date, (3) CVV and (4) your zip code. Please leave a voicemail message to call you back for payment if I don't pick up on your call!

**REFUNDS:** Payment will be refunded in full if you withdraw from a class and request a refund by January 19, 2026. After that date, 80% of payment will be refunded by credit card, or by check to the address you provide. Should you start attending classes and drop out for whatever reason, refunds will be provided on a pro-rata basis against 80% of your payment. (However, payment will be refunded in full if your reserved place is filled by someone on the wait list.)

**NOTIFICATIONS:** I will notify you of acceptance or wait list status by return email, and I'll send along further information about the classes, what you'll need, the curriculum, etc. I'll also notify you by email when payment is received or your credit card charged. Most communications about classes will be via email, or text, to the class group.

**TO SIGN UP, SEE PAGE BELOW**

I'm going to keep sign-up as simple as possible: SELECT and COPY and PASTE this entire message (or this part of the message) into a new email message back to me, and fill in the following blanks, RIGHT IN THE EMAIL:

Name:

Address:

Email:

Phone:

Session A

Session B

I hereby certify that as of today, I am Covid-free and non-infectious. I also certify that by showing up for classes, I continue to be Covid-free and non-infectious.

WELCOME!

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