

JOSEPH PESINA



Joseph Pesina was born and raised in *Door County, Wisconsin*. It was as a young man in secondary school that he became interested in the art of ceramics.

Joseph began his career in ceramics in 1999 when he fulfilled an apprenticeship with famed artist **Brian Fitzgerald**. As his career progressed he apprenticed with **Abe Coehn** and **Larry Thoreson**.

In 2001 Joseph began teaching ceramics, giving workshops, and perfecting his craft at the *Peninsula Art School*. During this time he was hired as associate potter and glaze specialist for *Gills Rock Stoneware* in Door County.

Now residing in *Whitefish, Montana*, Joseph continues to perfect his craft as the production potter for *Whitefish Pottery*. Here he is able to habituate precision. Combining this with his ability to produce extremely organic and beautiful works, he continues to wow audiences wherever his pieces appear.

"...For this body of work I have moved out of the bounds of 'functional' pottery as I've experimented with loose lines and non-traditional glazes to bring creativity to this medium... As an artist my goal at this time is to never stand still. Through movement and experimentation, I strive to keep my work fresh and congruent."

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