

# Kimberly Young

Ceramic Artist

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## Education

### **Bachelor of Fine Arts – Ceramics – University of Wisconsin, River Falls 1995-1999**

Kimberly studied art with a major focus on ceramics, under the instruction of potter Randy Johnston. Here she received knowledge in blending clay, glaze, building and firing Raku, Soda, Salt and especially Wood fired kilns. Professor Johnston invited the possibility for conversation and an exchange of ideas around ceramic traditions and contemporary art. During her education, Kimberly also studied and received a Minor Degree in Fiber Arts and in Drawing.

### **Milwaukee School of Art and Design Summer-1997-1999**

Kimberly took extra summer art courses at MIAD for two summers, including Drawing and Illustration.

## Work Experience

### **Owner of Birkelund Boutique 2018-current**

Kimberly is the owner and operator of Birkelund Boutique, located in Almind, Denmark. This includes her full-time studio space and Boutique.

### **Owner of Everyday Clay Studio and Gallery 2008-2011**

Located on St. Thomas, US Virgin Islands

### **Property Manager of Tillett Gardens 2009-2011**

Tillett Gardens is a Center for the Arts located on St. Thomas, US Virgin Islands

## Memberships and Boards

### **Danske Kunsthåndværkere og Designere 2023-current**

Danish Crafts & Design Association (DKoD) is a national organization for professional designers and makers. DKOd is dedicated to promoting Danish crafts and design.

### **Arts Alive Board Member 2008-2011**

Arts Alive was a non-profit organization that brought music performers, design markets and curated art exhibits at Tillett Gardens in the US Virgin Islands. Kimberly was an active Board Member that helped with organizing the design markets and art shows.

### **ArtVI Advocates Board Member 2009-2011**

ArtVI Advocates promoted the arts to enhance cultural, social and economic well being in the US Virgin Islands. Kimberly organized student outreach for Visual Arts and curated art exhibit throughout St. Thomas in the US Virgin Islands.

### **FireWorks Committee 2006-2011**

Annual exhibit showcasing ceramic artists and students living in the Caribbean.

### **Potters Council 2005-2011**

Nonprofit subsidiary of The American Ceramic Society who are passionate about pottery, education and who want to meet the needs of studio potters and ceramic artists by providing forums for knowledge, exchange and professional enhancement.

### **American Craft Council 2006 – 2011**

Nonprofit educational organization promoting the understanding and appreciation of contemporary American craft.

## Art Exhibits

2019 – FORMLAND – Creators Community – Herning, Denmark

2019 – USELESS – Mat Makes Art – Copenhagen, Denmark

2011 – In.Stall.Me – Everyday Clay Studio – St. Thomas, US Virgin Islands

2011 – Feminine Mystique – The Ice Gallery Project - St. Thomas, US Virgin Islands

2011 – Caribbean Color – The Ice Gallery Project – St. Thomas, US Virgin Islands

2010 – FireWorksV – Everyday Clay Studio - St. Thomas, US Virgin Islands

2010 – 4 Colors, 4 Medias, a Needle and a Thread – Everyday Clay Studio – St. Thomas, US Virgin Islands

2009 – FireWorks IV – Everyday Clay Studio – St. Thomas, US Virgin Islands

2008 – In the Belly of My Dreams – Everyday Clay Studio – St. Thomas, US Virgin Islands

2007 – FireWorks III – Tillett Gardens - St. Thomas, US Virgin Islands

2006 – FireWorks II – Mango Tango Gallery – St. Thomas, US Virgin Islands

2005 – FireWorks – Gallery St. Thomas – St. Thomas, US Virgin Islands

2003 – Caribbean Color – St. Thomas, US Virgin Islands

2003-02 – Battery Show - St. John Art Association – St. John, US Virgin Islands

1999 - Artful Minds – University of Wisconsin – River Falls

1999 – Fiber and Texture Exhibit – University of Whitewater – Whitewater, WI, USA  
1999 – Functional Fire, Wood fired cup exhibit – Iowa Artisans Gallery, Iowa, USA

## **Awards**

2011 – Honorable Mention – Caribbean Color – St. Thomas, US Virgin Islands  
2010 – Honorable Mention & People’s Choice Award – FireWorks V – St. Thomas, US Virgin Islands  
2009 – Honorable Mention – FireWorks IV – St. Thomas, US Virgin Islands  
2007 – Artists Choice Award – FireWorks III – St. Thomas, US Virgin Islands  
2006 – 1<sup>st</sup> Place Professional Category - FireWorks II – St. Thomas, US Virgin Islands  
2006 – Best Sculpture Award – FireWorksII – St, Thomas, US Virgin Islands

## **Design Markets**

Trapholt Julemarked – Jul 2019, 2022, 2023  
Trapholt Pinsemarked – Pinse 2019, 2022, 2024  
Jorn Keramikmarked – August 2023  
Neu Design Marked – Maj 2023  
Finders Keepers – 2018, 2019, 2021, 2022, 2023  
Upcomers – 2018-2022