

Meet The Artist!

Mariana Catarina Timmer



Mariana Timmer is a ceramic artist interested in the complexities of human choice and the imperfect qualities of life. Through functional pottery and non-functional sculpture, Mariana attempts to spark conversations about embracing imperfection and celebrating individuality.

Mariana received her Bachelors of Fine Art from San Jose State University, where she focused her efforts in ceramics and metal sculpture. In early 2021 Mariana opened her own pottery business under the pseudonym of The ClayChalet. Over the last two years Mariana has been working from her small garage studio, developing her unique style, and selling work at pop-up events and craft fairs.

In its simplest form, my pottery is a direct reflection of my environment. Living in the mountains I am constantly influenced by the natural foliage as well as the creatures in my surroundings. Through wheel throwing and hand building I am able to create functional items such as mugs, bowls and jars that celebrate the unique qualities of Santa Cruz Mountain living. I enjoy being able to combine my love for nature and art to create handmade objects that hold great purpose in people's everyday lives.