

Another month gone in 2026...

The studio has been busy with work coming up for the Visions in Clay Exhibition.

Some of our members have entered the BVAC Art Competition which is open to the public this coming weekend - Friday the 13th to Sunday at 2pm.

Housekeeping

Grizzly has been working on the quality of the shelves in the kiln room - removing rust and painting to prevent rust spots on your glaze! He has also re-hung the back door so it opens the other way for better access to the back yard.

The box of "old unclaimed stuff" has been removed!

2026 Events

Visions in Clay 2026

Our annual exhibition is on the Easter weekend 3-6 April, so you need to get working now.

Tuesday, Wednesday and Saturday groups are working toward making pieces for the raffle.

2026 will be an exhibition only due to moving back to the Richard Randall Art Studio space. Which means having your best work on

display with a couple of pieces in reserve if they sell.

Entry details and rosters have been circulated.

Looking forward to seeing your best work!

Workshops for 2026

Small Totems and Raku in May.

Remember you have to be a financial member of Clayworkers to participate.

BVAC

The first Pop-Up will be 26-28 June 2026. An Open Weekend at the Hub and a further Pop-up are planned for later in the year.

Ekka Entries are open

Entries close 22 May and deliveries are not until 28 + 29 July, so you have plenty of time!

See you in the studio soon!



Visions in Clay 2026

Western Suburbs Clayworkers Exhibition & Sale

 Richard Randall Art Studio, Mt Coot-tha, Botanic Gardens
April 3-6, Fri 12-4pm, Sat, Sun & Mon 9am-4pm
Join us Friday at 6pm for our opening
www.wsclayworkers.org.au - Supporting the Sherwood Neighbourhood Centre

Made an interesting piece in the studio? Send us photos and a few words to share ...

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^Above

Gai and Cam manned a table of our work at the RQAS Workshop Festival 2026.

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David's display at the recent Synergy event at Mt Coot-tha

**Do you have your work in a current or an upcoming display or event?
Let us know with a few photos and description!**



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**BVAC
2026 ARTS
COMPETITION**

EXHIBITION TIMES

FRIDAY 13 MARCH | 4PM - 9PM

SATURDAY 14 MARCH | 10AM - 4PM

SUNDAY 15 MARCH | 10AM - 2PM

AWARDS PRESENTATION

FRIDAY 13 MARCH AT 7PM

Brisbane Botanic Gardens Auditorium Mt Coot-tha

Raku in a microwave

<https://www.adamceramic.com/microwave-raku>

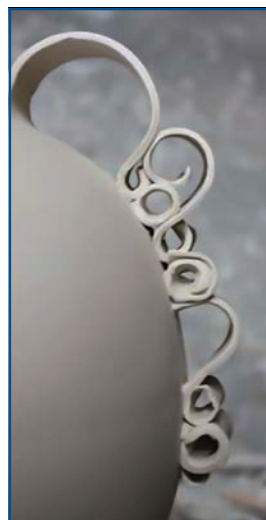
In 2020 I found that I could use my Microwave glass fusing kiln to fire and glaze ceramics that fit in the little chamber! This was perfect for my little throws and handbuilt items and inspired my Microwave Raku bugs, baubles, vases!

I've found that metallic raku glazes still work in the microwave (where you'd normally avoid any metal going in!) as the microwave kiln insulates it so well. And horse hair and standard glazing is still possible.

If bisquing the microwave try small pieces first. Thin pin badges or earrings are much easier to know are bone dry compared to a vase you've worked on just to pop! And the smaller kiln you can purchase heats up much quicker and easier than the wider one.



Found on eBay or Amazon for \$50 to \$90 and an old, not too precious, microwave



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