PENLAND GALLERY

ERICA IMAN

Kansas City, KS

CLAY + PAINTING | Handbuilt vessels and iron oxide painting on panel

Artist Information | Studio artist; education: BS Education, University of Missouri - Columbia, BFA Ceramics, University of Missouri - Columbia, MFA Ceramics, Southern Illinois University, Edwardsville; teaching: Pocosin Arts (NC), San Antonio Clay Visiting Artist (NM), University of Missouri Visiting Artist, Artist Inc. Facilitator, Mid-America Arts Alliance (MO); exhibitions: *Coalescence: Exploring Contemporary Ceramics and Artist Communities*, Daum Museum of Contemporary Art (MO), Coconut Grove Art Fair, Best in Show (FL), *Making it Big: Large Pots by Four Women Potters*, Signature Gallery (GA), *Silence. In the Absence of Noise*, Evergreen Arts Center (CO), Solo Exhibition, Carter & Co. (CA), *Exquisite Forms III*, Charlie Cummings Gallery (FL), *Fragments*, Solo Exhibition, Hardwick Gallery, Columbia College (MO), *Landmarks*, Solo Exhibition, Blue Gallery (MO)

Artist Bio | Erica Iman is an artist and educator working primarily in clay and raw earth materials with forms based in geology and fragmented landscapes. Erica received her BFA in Ceramics and BSE in Art from the University of Missouri Columbia in 2005 and obtained her MFA in Ceramics from Southern Illinois University Edwardsville in 2012. Between earning her degrees she served two years in the U.S. Peace Corps on the Eastern Steppe of Mongolia teaching English and Gardening while exploring the Gobi desert and Altai Mountains. In 2007, she was a selected participant in the International Workshop for Ceramic Arts in Tokoname, (IWCAT) Japan program, spending the summer studying contemporary and ancient Japanese pottery and culture. Erica is currently a studio artist in Kansas City, MO, a founding member of the KC Urban Potters, and an Artist Inc. facilitator. She has taught in various schools and art centers, is currently showing at the Daum Museum of Contemporary Art, and will be part of an upcoming show at the Direktorenhaus Art Museum in Berlin.

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