

Sheldon Ganstrom

Artist Statement

Among the most masterful glaze painters working within the American raku tradition, Sheldon Ganstrom has spent over four decades exploring and developing a unique and personal palette of glaze variations and firing techniques. Hard edge glazing occasionally punctuated by the earthy, organic edges of the clay invites entry into a world of pure emotion. Utilizing incredible colors, textures and smoke affects, his complex and contrasting design elements express the dramatic shift of life and relationships. A master potter, Ganstrom's expertly crafted ceramic forms allow his glaze paintings to escape the wall and enter the world on a three-dimensional canvas full of actual textures and tactile wonder.