

Concho Clay Studio FAQ's

Q: Do I have to be a college student to take a class at Concho Clay Studio?

A: No, any adult is welcome to sign up for our 8 week classes. Courses are recreational and do not have grades or mandatory projects.

Q: Can my child take classes the Concho Clay Studio?

A: Regular 8 week courses and most workshops at the clay studio are for adults 18 years and older. Students 16 years and older may attend our classes if a parent or guardian signs up with them. See our webpage for information on opportunities for high school students. The Concho Clay Studio partners with SAMFA's Education Studio for youth ceramics programs, visit www.samfa.org/education for more information or contact education@samfa.org.

Q: What if I have to go out of town for part of the class or know that I will miss classes during the session?

A: Please sign up anyway! Concho Clay Studio offers ways to make up any missed classes through open studio or sitting in on a different class, contact ceramics@samfa.org with any questions.

Q: What if I can't sign up for classes right now, will more courses be offered?

A: Yes! The Concho Clay Studio offers 8 week courses in ceramics for adults that run continuously with back to back sessions. There is often a week or two of maintenance in between these course sessions. Look to the next session dates and follow us on social media @conchoclay and sign up for our newsletter on our website to be notified when registration opens.

Q: I want to sign up multiple people and pay for all their classes how do I do that?

A: Sign up and pay for multiple tickets to a class on Eventbrite. Then email ceramics@samfa.org with contact information for all students including name, email, and phone number.

Q: What if I can't continue my class at Concho Clay Studio, can I get a refund?

A: You may get a full refund for classes up to 24 hours prior to the start of class. 50% refunds are available until the 4th class day. After the 4th class, no refunds can be issued.

Q: Are there discounts offered for classes at the Concho Clay Studio?

A: Yes! SAMFA members get discounts on all classes, open studio, workshops and clay purchases. Become a member at www.samfa.org/support. We also offer early bird registration discounts that combine with member discounts. Military and seniors also receive discounts on open studio, workshops, and clay purchases.

Q: What is open studio and how do I sign up?

A: Open Studio is for students who have some clay experience and do not need an instructor. It is a great option if you cannot commit to a full course, or need a more flexible schedule. Sign up for an Open Studio Access Pass at our Eventbrite page, or you can drop in during open studio hours and pay at the door for one time studio use. Open studio hours vary depending on course schedules each 8 week session, see our webpage for the current schedule. Registration for 8 week courses always includes open studio access. <https://samfa.org/open-studio>

Q: How do I volunteer for Concho Clay Studio?

A: Email ceramics@samfa.org or fill out our online application at <https://samfa.org/clay-studio-volunteers>. Volunteers may work a certain number of hours per week in exchange for studio access.

Q: Does the Concho Clay Studio accept interns?

A: Yes, the clay studio has a paid internship position available for ASU art students who need college credit. Email ceramics@samfa.org or visit <https://samfa.org/concho-clay-studio-internship-program> for more information.

Q: My child did a clay activity at the museum or clay studio and I forgot to pick up their work. Where do I go to pick up?

A: Look to the Education Studio schedule <https://samfa.org/art-thursday> and visit Art Thursday events to pick up any ceramic pieces from kid's classes, camps, or family clay days. Email education@samfa.org with any questions.

Q: I took a Date Night class at the Concho Clay Studio and forgot to pick up my pieces, can I still get my work? Where do I pick up?

A: All date night participants are sent an email to pick up their work within two weeks after the event. If work is not picked up within two weeks of the email date, the work becomes property of the Concho Clay Studio and there is no guarantee that we will still have the pieces. Pick up for date night is in the Concho Clay Studio during open studio hours. If you participated in a downtown date night at a location other than the Concho Clay Studio, your pieces will be picked up at that location.

Q: How do I donate to the Concho Clay Studio?

A: Donations are welcome to support our outreach programs and scholarships, please send checks made out to San Angelo Museum of Fine Arts and address them to Concho Clay Studio, 1 love st. San Angelo, TX. 76903. Please include a letter of information about the donation and its preferred use. You can also donate online to the clay studio or our scholarship fund at www.samfa.org/support. We also take gently used ceramic equipment, glaze, and labeled material donations. Contact ceramics@samfa.org with any questions or to set up a drop off.