

*Ontario Chamber of Commerce
December Business of the Month
Nan Mazzuco Pottery
6741 Knickerbocker Rd.*

Nan Mazzuco's pottery class in 1989 at in Rochester, NY. She while but pottery was would have it, she met a her to pursue working work as her assistant and education continued by about pottery. I even started working in my by taking workshops, and selling her pottery.



love for clay began with a Rochester Memorial Art Gallery stopped taking courses for a always on her mind. As fate potter one day who encouraged with clay. Nan said, "I went to she taught me the trade. My reading every thing I could find purchased a potters wheel and cold garage. I continued learning practicing." By 1993 she started

Nan's current interest is focused on a primitive technique called Naked Raku, a contemporary terminology for non-glazed and hand burnished pottery fired in an outdoor kiln using organic fuel such as wood shavings. Naked Raku is not meant to hold liquids but rather to be enjoyed as three dimensional works of art decorated by the fire and Mother Nature. "Naked Raku is like one giant experiment and you never know what you'll get. I can set the stage for certain effects but Mother Nature has the final say.

Nan believes that there is a huge potential for art as a driver of tourism industry in Wayne County. "There are a lot of really good artists in our area. You could combine art and winery tours along with rides up and down the Erie. Tourists could visit the artist at their studios." Buying art or crafts from an Artists is a great way to support businesses in the U.S. The effect of purchasing locally is felt way beyond the local Artist. "All of my materials and equipment from clay to glazes, tools and equipment support a huge industry of products made in the United States."

Nan offers workshops and classes at her studio. She offers an ongoing Pottery Open House, Thursday Nights 6:30pm to 9:00pm and Friday Mornings 9:00am to 11:30am. It is an opportunity for people interested in working with clay who want to learn more through mentoring and working with others. Time may be spent on potter's wheel, hand building, slab work, and/or glazing. Her work can be purchased by appointment. Nan Mazzuco's work can also be purchased at Wayne County Council for the Arts, Yates County Arts Council, the Western Wayne Art Group show and sale in April, Arts at the Garden festival, and the Clothesline Arts Festival and the Holiday Bazaar at the R.M.S.C.

Nan Mazzuco Pottery can be found on the web:

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