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"CHINESE CLAY ART" is a newsletter emailed to professional artists, curators, collectors, writers, experts, educators and students in the ceramic field, who want to know about ceramic art in China and things related. This newsletter will be a bridge between China and Western countries for the ceramic arts. Comments and suggestions are very welcome.

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New Product



CR 10, Easy Handle Maker, W. 1" and 1.5"; L 6.5", **\$3.50**

Easy Handle Maker is made out of stainless steel wire and is very easy to use for handle cutting.

Ceramic Molds:

MD052, MD053A, MD055B, MD056, MD063, MD066, MD067, 2"-3", \$9.00/ea

Due to the increase of Chinese labor costs, we are trying to import more ceramic molds instead of hand-carved wooden molds.

Guangzhen Zhou, Chief Editor

Stainless Steel Sieves Sale 25% off until Oct.31st



Stainless Steel Sieves on sale, **25%** off until Oct.31st.

SS 16-9 (Dia 16cm, Mesh 100), Sale **\$9.75**, original \$13.00;

SS 20-6 (Dia 20cm, Mesh 60), Sale: **\$12.00**; original \$16.00;

SS 20-9(Dia 20cm, Mesh 100), Sale **\$12.00**, original \$16.00;

SS 25-9 (Dia 25cm, Mesh 100), Sale **\$14.50**, original \$20.00;

SS 28-9 (Dia 28cm, Mesh 100), Sale **\$17.50**, original \$23.00

IAC Xi'an China 2008, Sub-conference in Yixing



The IAC assembly was hosted on September 10 - 14th. Several hundred ceramic artists, writers, collectors, related experts and friends from all over the world were gathering together in Xi'an. People were able to see the rich Chinese ceramic history and meet many Chinese ceramic artists. The people had traveled in many different directions for post- conference tours. The China Ceramic Industry Association worked with the local government and arranged the sub-conferences in Zibo, Shandong province, Jingdezhen, Jiangxi Province, Longquan, Zhejiang Province and Yixing, Jiangsu Province. There was a group of 30 (the largest group) who arrived in Yixing in the afternoon on September 18 for the three - day conference (Sept. 18-20). The Yixing Government paid the extra required to upgrade the hotel rooms and

meals and provided an official welcome banquet on September 19th.

On the opening meeting of the Yixing sub-conference, Guangzhen Zhou (Po) handed over three teapots that had been donated to Yixing Ceramic Museum from female artists from Argentina. There was also a short slides talk by both Chinese artists and IAC members. During the time in Yixing, we were followed by a few journalists from the local news medium. On the next day, we had some pictures printed on the first page of the papers, and many of them were posted online on the Chinese news mediums.

Po Zhou has learned to say the magic Chinese words in English from his American friend Richard H. ("Ric") Swenson, the English Teacher at Jingdezhen Ceramic Institute, China. Po Zhou has told the IAC group to shout together: "wall-eye-knee (Wo-Ai-Ni, meaning 'I love you'), Yixing!" at the banquet. It worked great and our Chinese friends laughed! Thanks to all of the IAC committee members and all of the others who have contributed to this event.

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Letter from Jackie Hyman



Dear Po,

You did a splendid job - far above my expectations - of organizing our recent trip to China to attend the International Academy of Ceramics conference in Xi'an, and of coordinating and supervising our pre- conference tour of Shanghai. My mother, IAC member and well-known ceramist Sylvia Hyman, celebrated her 91st birthday on the trip and needed a wheelchair. You went out of your way to make her comfortable and secure

arrangements to meet her special needs.

From arranging our visas to choosing Shanghai restaurants that displayed the range of Chinese cuisine, you showed attention to detail far beyond anything I have experienced with other tour organizers. My mother, her studio assistant Cathy Moberg and I were deeply impressed.

When my mother suffered a medical emergency during the conference in Xi'an, you went out of your way to help, even though we were no longer your responsibility. You assisted us with contacting the U.S. Embassy to secure permission for a medical jet to land in the Chinese interior, and, since the jet could transport only Sylvia and Cathy, you changed your travel plans to escort me personally back to Shanghai, right to the ticket counter at American Airlines.

Please accept my heartfelt thanks, and enduring friendship.

Warmly,

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