STATEMENT

This series of porcelains consists of both functional and non-functional forms. They represent my personal experiences with the natural environment that surrounds me: Cronkite Beach, Marin Hills and strata and rock formations around Sausalito. By presenting each work in sets of two or three pieces, I try to capture different moods of nature. For example, the changing light or stages of an opening bud.

The work is primarily hand built in press molds and inlaid with porcelain colored with oxides. After the first firing, the pieces are finished by painting oxides on the surface which is partially removed by a sponge. The interior of the pots is washed with a clear glaze. The work is then reduction fired.

I feel most enthusiastic about my work when I approach porcelain with an attitude of experiment. After conceptualizing a new design, I work on the same design through many successive pieces. With this approach, I discover new ways to present the design to my satisfaction.

ROMILLA BATRA

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AWARDS

"Best Booth Award" - Tapestry In Talent, San Jose, California - 1991 "Finalist" - The NICHE Award - 1990 "Award of Excellence" - Saratoga Rotary Art Show, Saratoga, California - 1988 "Jurors Award" - Festival 19, Scottsdale Center for the Arts, Scottsdale, Arizona - 1988 "Best of Show" - 52nd Annual Show, and Cash Awards 54th and 55th Annual Shows, Marin Society of Artists, Ross, California - 1979, 1981 and 1982

"Purchase Award" - Richmond Designer Craftsman Show '78, Richmond, California "Best of Show" - Selections 78, a national student-professional exhibition in clay, California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo, California - 1978

PERMANENT COLLECTION

- Master Kunio Uchida, Living Treasure, Kyoto, Japan
- "Hubert A. Arnold Collection of International Ceramics", The Crocker Art Museum, Sacramento, California
- Nora Eccles Harrison Museum of Art, Utah State University, Logan, Utah
- Richmond Art Center, Richmond, California
- Coos Museum, Coos Bay, Oregon
- Kennedy Gallery, College of Holy Names, Oakland, California
- Commercial State Bank, St. Paul, Minnesota
- Swor & Gatto, St. Paul, Minnesota

EXHIBITIONS

"Possessions" Exhibition, Nora Eccles Harrison Museum of Art, Utah State University, Logan Utah - 1989

One Person Show, Everson Museum, Syracuse, New York - 1988

One Person Show, Joyce Petter Gallery, Saugatuck, Michigan - 1988

The Society of Arts and Crafts, Newbury Street, Boston, Massachusetts - 1987

Contemporary Teapots 200, Springfield Art Association, Springfield, Illinois - 1987

Collector's Gallery, Oakland Museum, Oakland, California - 1987

Cork + San Francisco Potters, Cork, Ireland - 1986

Contemporary Cups, Invitational, A.N. Bush Gallery, Salem, Oregon - 1986

Two Person Show, Palo Alto, Cultural Center, Palo Alto, California - 1981 and 1984
Texas leaston Derigue Gaftsmen Show, at Houston, Texas - 1972

PUBLICATIONS

Ceramics Monthly - 1978, 1980, 1985, and 1988 Interiors & Sources - December/January 1988 Accessory Merchandising - Winter 1987 San Francisco Examiner, Image Magazine - 1986 House Beautiful - 1985 Sunset Magazine - 1984

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EDUCATION

Graduated from St. Bede's College, Simla, India - 1956

Workshop

Bu Bennett Bean - 1984

By Robin Hopper - 1983

By Virginia Cartwright - 1983

By Byron Temple - 1979

By Stepen de Staebler - 1978

By Daniel Rhodes - 1978

By Don Reitz - 1977

By Paul Soldner - 1975

Studied Ceramics

College of Marin, with Dale Roush, Thano Johnson, Bill Abright and Ron Cooper - 1973-1978 With Gary Huntoon, Houston, Texas - 1971-72 With Dick Brenan, Walnut Creek, California - 1969 With Michi Zimmerman, Berkeley, California - 1968

AWARDS

Cash Awards - 54th and 55th Annual Show, Marin Society of Artists Ross, California - 1981 and 1982

Symphony in Color, Marin Society of Artists, Ross, California - 1981

"Best of Show" - 52nd Annual Show, Marin Society of Artists, Ross, California - 1979

Three Person Show - The Thirteenth Annual Juried Exhibition of Art, Coos Bay, Oregon - 1979

Purchase Award - Richmond Designer Craftsmen Show '78, Richmond, California

"Best of Show" - Selections 78, a national student-professional exhibition in clay, California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo, California - 1978

PERMANENT COLLECTION

- Nora Eccles Harrison Museum of Art, Utah State University, Logan, Utah
- Richmond Art Center, Richmond, California
- Kennedy Gallery, Holy Names College, Oakland, California

EXHIBITIONS

- 13th Annual Ceramics, Nora Eccles Harrison Museum of Art, Utah State University, Logan, Utah - 1984
- California Girls, Panaca Gallery, Bellevue, Washington 1984
- A Celebration of Clay and Glass, California Crafts Museum, San Francisco - 1984
- A Spectrum of Clay and Glass, Tapestry in Talent Inc., San Jose, California - 1984
- California Clay '84, Civic Arts Gallery, Walnut Creek, California 1984
- New Directions in Porcelain The Retreat, Westlake Village, California - 1983
- San Francisco Arts Festival, Moscone Center, San Francisco 1982
- Western Hands California State University, Hayward, California 1982 In celebration of the 1982 National Council of Education for Ceramic Arts Convention, San Jose State University.
- Porcelain: The White Heat, Creative Arts Center Gallery, Sunnyvale, California - 1982
- Sausalito Arts Festival, Sausalito, California 1982 and 1988
- Recent Work of Five California Artists, Images of the North, San Francisco, California - 1981 and 1982
- Creative Clay, A Singular Place, Santa Monica, California 1981
- The Round Edge, Palo Alto Cultural Center, Palo Alto, California 1981
- California Ceramics '81, Broadway Plaza, Pasadena, California 1981
- Functional Ceramics, Holy Names College, Oakland, California 1979 and 1981, sponsored by Assocation of San Francisco Potters
- The Western Edge, Glendale, California 1980

 An exhibit of Fine Crafts from California, Oregon and Washington
- Tradition and Change, Houston Designer Craftsmen, Houston, Texas 1980
- ACC Craft Fair 1979, 1980, 1981, 1982, 1983 and 1984, San Francisco, California
- The Northern California Women's Annual Show 1979, Santa Rosa, California
- Clay and Glass 1979, Palo Alto Cultural Center, Palo Alto, California and University of Utah, Salt Lake City, Utah
- Clay Works, Horizon Gallery, Mill Valley, California 1979

EXHIBITIONS (Continued)

- White on White, A showing of Fine Porcelain, Contemporary Artisans, San Francisco, California - 1979
- 50th Anniversary Exhibition, 1978) The Cooperstown Art Association 44th Annual Art Exhibition, 1979) Cooperstown, New York
- 9th Annual 3-D Art Regional, San Jose Art League, San Jose, California - 1978
- 13th November Annual Art Exhibition, Coos Museum, Coos Bay, Oregon 1979
- Crafts and Sculpture Show, Marin Society of Artists, California 1978, 1979, 1980, 1981, and 1982
- Container Show, Mill Valley Arts Guild, California 1978
- Kennedy Gallery, College of Holy Names, Oakland, California 1978 (three person show)
- Clay and Glass Conference 1977 Emeryville, California Sponsored by American Crafts Council and Association of San Francisco Potters
- Marin County Fair, First Annual Fine Arts and Crafts Show 1977
- Eutectic Gallery, Emeryville, California 1977 (two person show)
- San Francisco Women Artists 3D Show 1977
- Richmond Designer Craftsmen Show, Richmond, California 1976 and 1978
- Women Artists Show at College of Marin, Kentfield, California 1976 and 1977
- Student Art Show at College of Marin, Kentfield, California 1974, 1975, 1976, and 1977
- Texas Designer Craftsmen Show, Houston, Texas 1972