

CERAMICS GUIDELINES

1. The Society encourages the design and creation of works, using motif, material, inspiration and social commentary drawn from the Australian experience and Australia's cultural diversity.
2. All articles presented for selection or exhibition and sale shall be original and creative in concept and design. The works shall demonstrate a high level of technical skill and present the highest possible standard of craftsmanship at all times.
3. The Society encourages artists to make contemporary work. The tone, texture or form may be inspired for example, by fashion, tradition, colour and pattern, culture, landscape or a fleeting memory.
4. The Society encourages artists to continuously assess their work and to research and initiate new concepts, forms, techniques and applications and to disseminate these by sharing information through discussion, writings and teaching.

Ceramics criteria

All ceramics shall exhibit a high degree of skill and workmanship and be original in concept and design.

- Design** Must exhibit a balance of form and attachments, ie handles, lids.
- Surface** Must be suitable to form/function, eg glaze not rough, no crazing or pin-holing on functional ware.
A heavy application of metallic oxides must not be used on surfaces that are intended for food or liquids. It should be labelled 'not for domestic ware'.
Raku smoked forms and other porous decorative surfaces, should be labelled as porous/non functional.
Any glazes containing lead, even in a fritted form, must be tested for insolubility if used on functional ware.
The heavy application of metallic oxides such as iron or copper or the use of metallic lustres such as gold and silver, should not be used on domestic ware and should be labelled 'not microwave safe'.
- Finish** Must exhibit attention to finishing detail such as smooth bases on all wares. There must be no sharp edges on functional ware. Functional ware must have well fitting lids with galleries and rims sanded to a smooth finish where necessary.

All works produced shall

- be creative, with contemporary and personal designs
- comply with copyright requirements
- show compatibility of design and material suited to the end product
- have a high standard of finish in construction

Labels for Articles Swing Tags shall show:

- any special directives, ie non porous, dishwasher safe/not safe, microwave safe/not safe.

- Optional** Title and or photo as an indication of your inspiration.