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## CLAY ARTIST TO SPEAK, DISPLAY WORK AT MCCC

MONROE, Mich. – Monroe County Community College has invited clay artist Madeline Kaczmarczyk to speak with several MCCC art classes and to host a presentation that will be open to the public.

Kaczmarczyk will be at MCCC on Wednesday from 9 a.m. to 10 p.m., presenting at three separate times:

- From 9 a.m. to 11 a.m., she will present a clay workshop in room 107 of the East Technology Building. The workshop will be open to the public.
  - From 1 p.m. to 4 p.m., she will speak to a drawing class, taught by Gary Wilson, associate professor of art.
  - From 7 p.m. to 10 p.m., she will give a visual presentation to Wilson's art appreciation class in room 173-d of the Audrey M. Warrick Student Services/Administration building.
- Members of the public are welcome to attend.

“She has a good reputation,” Wilson said. “I’m excited. I think I’m going to learn some things too.”

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Some of Kaczmarczyk's artwork will be displayed in the MCCC Library from Nov. 9 through Dec. 10. The Library is located on the first floor of the Campbell Learning Resources Center.

Additionally, a work of her art will be purchased by MCCC to add to the college's collection of artwork gathered from various visiting artists. According to Wilson, the college has been doing this for about 30 years.

"That's why we have such a strong collection," he said.

Kaczmarczyk is the wife of artist Jerry Berta, one of MCCC's visiting artists last year. During his presentation, Berta also displayed artwork made by his wife.

Between galleries and art fairs, Kaczmarczyk has displayed her art across the nation, including in the prestigious Washington Craft Show at the Smithsonian and the Coconut Grove Art Festival in Florida.

Additionally, her work has been featured on the cover of "Ceramics Monthly" magazine, as well as other periodicals and newspapers.

Kaczmarczyk teaches as an associate adjunct professor at Aquinas College in Grand Rapids and as a ceramic instructor at the Cook Art Center Academy.

For more information on the artist, visit [www.madclaypots.com](http://www.madclaypots.com).

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