

Keepsakes: Nature Inspired Ceramics by Patty Sheppard

Join us Saturday, September 27, for the opening reception of Patty Sheppard's solo exhibit featuring new works created for display at The Green Center. The exhibit runs through October 24.

Speaking of her art, Sheppard says, "For the past year, I have been particularly inspired by nature walks with my young son and conversations with my dad, as well as visits to his lovely wildflower garden. Because these moments have had such a profound impact on me, I have sought to preserve them in the form of something more permanent."



"I collect small souvenirs such as wildflowers, leaves, twigs and cicada shells as visual references. As I look carefully at their details, I am in awe of their intricacy and fragility. Like pressing flowers into the pages of a book, my drawings and sculptures in clay help me to revisit those experiences and acknowledge both their vulnerability and timelessness."

Artist Biography

Patty Sheppard

Patty received her BFA degree from Southwest Missouri State University in Springfield, MO (1989) and her MFA in Ceramics from Washington University in Saint Louis, Missouri in 1993. She is currently an adjunct instructor at Saint Louis Community College-Meramec and has taught at St. Charles Community College, The St. Louis Art Museum, and Craft Alliance.

Her nature-inspired objects, primarily ceramics, have been exhibited for years in regional galleries in the Midwest, as well as at her first solo exhibition in 2007 at the Ethical Society in St. Louis.