***Teapots, Handbuilt and Thrown: Objects of Everyday Ritual***

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**Required Supplies:**

* Four 36″ by 24″ sheets of unprimed 10 oz. canvas duck. “10-ounce” is a trade reference to the weight per yard for canvas sold in art supply stores. If you buy canvas from a fabric, sail or house painting supplier they might not that reference, but just get sturdy uncoated canvas while avoiding stuff that is excessively heavy – it should still be very flexible.
* Standard clay tools (the packaged Kemper kit contains a wood rib, stainless-steel scraper-rib, wood knife, needle tool, cutoff wire, small sponge, and trimming tools).
* Kemper S-10 flexible stainless steel serrated rib – no substitutes.
* Several wood modeling tools of your choice.
* Metal fork
* X-Acto knife – pencil-thin model with 1″ tapered blade.
* Scissors
* 18″ ruler
* Pencil
* Compass for drawing circles.
* Wood rolling pin with bearing-mounted handles (not one-piece rolling pin). If you are serious about handbuilding, go to Amazon.com and enter “Fletchers Mill 15" Maple Rolling Pin” in the search box. It costs $40 but is so worth it.
* Wood dowels – one 48″ length each of 3/16″, 1/4″, 5/16″, 3/8″, 7/16″, 1/2″, 5/8″ and 3/4″ – available from any home improvement center – cut them all in half and bring both halves (you'll be very glad you got these!).
* Stanley Surform Shaver (short curved blade) and Stanley Surform Pocket Plane (5″ flat blade). Get both types – these are made to be woodworking tools, but are excellent for shaving clay. Available from any home improvement center or from amazon.
* Small, sturdy banding wheel. The 8″ CSI turntable available from most ceramics suppliers for around $13 is fine for our needs, but any sort of good-quality banding wheel will work. No cheap spice-cabinet turntables!
* Spray bottle for vinegar water
* 6 manila folders
* A selection of bisque stamps and/or other textured objects or materials to impress pattern and/or texture into the clay.
* Several dry-cleaner bags or large plastic garbage bags to cover your work.
* Small towel or other sturdy rag
* Apron (optional)

\*If you are driving, bring a large snap-lid plastic storage bin approximately 12x24x12″ deep, to serve as a personal damp box. Bring your supplies in a separate box or bin.