**PAUL WEARING**

Paul Wearing is an award winning ceramicist based in the vibrant Fireworks Clay Studios cooperative in Cardiff. He has two decades of experience as a practitioner and studio director, is a Selected Member of the Craft Potters Association of Great Britain, being elected to their Governing Council in 2018. He has been the recipient of numerous funding awards from the Arts Council of Wales and is represented on the Crafts Council Directory and Michelangelo Foundation Homo Faber Guide.

**Awards and accolades**

2022 Homo Faber Guide, Michelangelo Foundation

2019 Arts Council of Wales, Large Production Grant for creative professionals 2017 Arts Council of Wales, Production Grant for creative professionals

2014 Arts Council of Wales, Project Grant for individuals

2002 Welsh Artist of the Year, Craft Section Prize Winner, Cardiff

2001 Arts Council of Wales, Setting Up Grant for Craftspeople

**Solo exhibitions**

2021-22 Paul Wearing: Flux and Poise. Ruthin Craft Centre, Llantarnam Grange Arts Centre, Aberystwyth Arts Centre, Mission Gallery, Swansea.

2003 A Sense of Order, The Model House, Llantrisant

2001 Beyond the Surface, Oriel Lliw, Pontardawe

**Selected exhibitions & events**

2023 New work, Beaux Arts Bath Celebrating Ceramics Potfest Compton Verney Potfest Scotland Potfest Glynde Place York Ceramics Fair

**2022**

Out of the Ordinary, Clay College Gallery, Stoke on Trent Maker in Focus, Craft in the Bay, Cardiff Rhythm, Pattern, Repetition. The Pool House Gallery, Fresh Air Sculpture, Quenington Paul Wearing Ceramics, Gwyn Roberts Painting. Albany Gallery, Cardiff Ceramic Art London Potfest, Glynde Place Potfest Scotland Celebrating Ceramics Potfest in the Park Art in Clay, Farnham

**2021**

Marks, Meanings & Materials, Gallery Top, Rowsley September Select; Contemporary British Art & Ceramics, Andelli Art Gallery, Wells Contemporary Ceramics, Form through Fire, Porthminster Gallery, St Ives Oxford Ceramics Fair Craft Festival, Bovey Tracey Potfest in the Park Potfest, Compton Verney Art in Clay Farnham Art in Clay, Windsor

**2020**

Paul Wearing ceramics, Christopher Prout paintings, Bircham Gallery. Stoneware Exhibition, Clay College, Stoke on Trent. Counterpoint, Sladers Yard, Bridport.

**2019**

Art of Wales, Oita, Japan. David Tress painting, Paul Wearing Ceramics, The Albany Gallery. Yorkshire Sculpture Park - showcase. Ceramic Art London Craft Festival, Bovey Tracey

**2018**

Gifted 2018, Contemporary Ceramics Centre

Christmas 2018, The Crafts Centre & Design Gallery, Leeds

Cadence, Kellie Miller Arts

Relic, Bluecoat Display Centre, Liverpool

‘Jus de Ceramique', Keramiekcentrum Tiendschuur Tegelen, Netherlands Lasting Impressions, National Craft & Design Gallery, Kilkenny and Ruthin Craft Centre

Mud & Water, Studio Eleven

Journey, The Stratford Gallery Virginia Ray and Paul Wearing. New Ashgate Gallery

Mission Gallery, Swansea - showcase. Ceramic Art London York Ceramics Fair Art in Clay Farnham

Oxford Ceramics Fair

Art in Clay, Hatfield

Earth & Fire, International Ceramics Fair

Potfest in the Park

**2017**

Christmas Exhibition Pt 2, Bircham Gallery

Christmas Exhibition, Gallerytop, Rowsley

Bakers Dozen, Round House Gallery, Foston

Clay 24, Tim Andrews Gallery, Woodbury

Sladers Yard, Bridport.

Tangibles: New work by Martin Pearce, Paul Wearing and Rachel Wood. Contemporary Ceramics Centre, London

Y Lle Celf, The National Eisteddfod of Wales, Anglesey

Across the Water, Artichoke Gallery, Ticehurst

Summer Show, Junction Art Gallery, Woodstock

Chris Prout - Painting and Paul Wearing - Ceramics, The Albany Gallery, Cardiff A Celebration of Ceramics and Glass, Glasbury Arts

Centre of Ceramic Art - CoCA, York - showcase.

Ceramic Art London

Grassi Messe, Leipzig.

Ceramics in the City, Geffrye Museum, London

Potfest in the Park, Penrith

Earth & Fire, International Ceramics Fair

Craft Festival, Bovey Tracey

Art in Clay, Hatfield

Art in Clay, Farnham

**2016**

Gifted 2016, Contemporary Ceramics Centre

Winter Exhibition, Kellie Miller Arts, Brighton

Breath of Nature, Boundary Art, Cardiff

Lantarnham Grange Arts Centre, Cwmbran - showcase.

Potters, Bristol – showcase.

Ceramic Art London

Ceramic Art York

Art in Action Art in Clay, Farnham

Innovations in Ceramic Art, Cambridge

London Design Fair, British Craft Pavillion

Earth & Fire, International Ceramics Fair

Made London

Craft Festival, Bovey Tracey

**2015**

Clay 22,

Tim Andrews Gallery, Woodbury

Yorkshire Sculpture Park - showcase.

Craft in the Bay, Cardiff - showcase.

Ceramic Art York, York Museum

Cornwall Design Fair, Trereife House, Penzance

Art in Action, Waterperry House, Oxfordshire

Earth and Fire, International Ceramics Fair, Rufford Abbey

Made London

Art in Clay, Hatfield

Penarth Art Fair, Vale of Glamorgan

Made by Hand, Cardiff

**2014**

Y Lle Celf, The National Eisteddfod of Wales, Llanelli

Fireworks Now, Craft in the Bay, Y Gallery & Aberystwyth Arts Centre

Made by Hand, Cardiff

Made London

The Contemporary Craft Festival, Bovey Tracey

Art in Clay, Hatfield

**2013**

Cardiff Open Fireworks Now, Craft in the Bay, Y Gallery & Aberystwyth Arts Centre)

Summer Show, Craft in the Bay, Cardiff.

**2012**

Made in Roath, Cardiff

**2004**

Art in Clay, Hatfield

**2003**

Ceramic Contemporaries 4, Royal College of Art (touring)

Classic IX Biennale, The Welsh Pavilion, Courtrai, Belgium

The Art House, Abergavenny - showcase.

**2002**

Welsh Artist of the Year, Cardiff

Oriel-Y-Felin Gallery, Haverfordwest - showcase.

Art.tm, Inverness - showcase.

Salamanda Galleries, Westerham - showcase.

Ceramics Fair Wales, Tredegar House, Newport

Art in Clay, Hatfield

**2001**

Eye Poppers, Gloucester

New Designers 2001, Red Gallery, Southsea

Oriel Ceri Richards Gallery, Swansea - showcase until 2003.

Elements Gallery, Cardiff - showcase until 2003.

Art in Clay, Hatfield

Art in Clay, Farnham

**2000**

Arts Council of Wales Collectorplan Celebrations 2000, National Botanic Gardens New Designers, Business Design Centre, London.

The Highlands Fair, Aviemore, represented by Wales Crafts Council.

Art in Clay, Hatfield.

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**Publications**

2021 ‘Flux & Poise: Paul Wearing’, Ellen Bell. Studio Potter. December 2021 2021 ‘Cahier technique - les vases inclines de Paul Wearing’, Sabina Silamo. Revue de la Céramique et du Verre. Novembre/Decembre 2021

2021 ‘Paul Wearing: Tussen natuur en cultuur’, Mels Boom, de kleine K, 80, Augustus 2021

2021 ‘Elemental relationships’, Ceri Jones. Ceramic Review 308, March/April 2021

2020 Special Effect Glazes. Bloomfield, L.

2017 Surface Decoration. Millward, K.

2015 Post-war to Post Modern: A Dictionary of Artists in Wales. Jones, P. W. and Hitchman, I.

2015 British Studio Potters’ Marks (3rd Ed. Ed. Hazelwood, J.) Yates-Owen, E. & Fournier, R.

2005 British Studio Potters’ Marks (2nd Ed.). Yates-Owen, E. and Fournier, R. 2003 Form: Contemporary Craft in Wales. Wales Arts International.

**Related professional activity**

2019-22 Material Matters, ACW funded creative production project

2018-22 Elected Member, Governing Council, Craft Potters Association of Great Britain

2016- Selected Member, Craft Potters Association 2016- Co-Director, Fireworks Clay Studios, Cardiff

2014 Selector for Axisweb MAstars programme 2011 Co-selector, 'It's what's on the outside that matters', Newport Gallery and Museum

2008-13 Chair, Fireworks Clay Studios, Cardiff

2007- Member, Fireworks Clay Studios

2000-03 Co-Director & member, Elements Studio and Gallery, Cardiff

**Education**

2003-04 MA Ceramics, University of Wales Institute, Cardiff

1997-00 BA (Hons) Ceramics, University of Wales Institute, Cardiff

**Gallery representation**

The Albany Gallery, Cardiff

Online Ceramics

Beaux Arts Bath

Porthminster Gallery, St Ives

Bircham Gallery, Holt

Robert Fogell, Stamford

Bluecoat Display Centre, Liverpool

Sladers Yard, Bridport

Contemporary Ceramics, London

St Ives Ceramics

Kellie Miller Arts, Brighton