

# MELTING POT 2009

## Cairns Potters Club 9th Biennial National Ceramic Competition

### 23 October to 29 November 2009



This is the Cairns Potters Club's 9th National Ceramics exhibition. The first took place in Stockland Shopping Centre Cairns in 1983, before Cairns Regional Gallery was officially opened.

Looking at the photos from the first exhibition, it is quite noticeable that at that time there was more emphasis on functional wheel thrown works and that the colours of the ceramic works were more "earthy looking". The vibrancy in colours we see today is due in part to improvements in glaze technology.

National ceramics exhibitions such as *Melting Pot* 2009 aim to showcase the development of ceramics, offering a chance to see the latest creations from both national and regional ceramists. We have again included works in glass, as the two art forms have much in common.

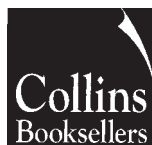
The Cairns Potters Club has also organised the exhibition to give the ceramists in this area the impetus to try to create innovative ceramic art pieces. We wish to challenge young and old potters to again explore new ideas and try to express themselves in new ways in clay, form and colour.

There will be both acquisitive and non-acquisitive awards offered in various categories and well-known ceramicist Jan Bainbridge-Perry will judge the art works.

We hope you will enjoy this feast of shapes, forms and colours.

*Lone White – Cairns Potters Club*

**EXHIBITION LAUNCH: FRIDAY 13 NOVEMBER 6.30pm**  
**ARTIST'S TALK: FRIDAY 13 NOVEMBER 5.30pm**



Mark Davis  
*Courting the Anima*



Ken Ison  
*Pinnacle*



Ellen Terrell  
*Carved Trees Platter*

Through the Community Exhibitions Program, Cairns Regional Gallery profiles the work of artists and organisations throughout Tropical North Queensland.

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