



## **SOOJIN CHOI (SOUTH KOREA, 1991)**

Soojin Choi was born and raised in South Korea, and has been an artist based in the United States since 2010. Soojin earned her BFA at Virginia Commonwealth University in 2015, majoring in Craft/ Material Studies and Painting/ Printmaking. She then pursued her MFA degree in ceramics at Alfred University in 2018. She was a resident artist at the Northern Clay Center in Minneapolis, MN, Red Lodge Clay Center in Red Lodge, MT, and Archie Bray Foundation in Helena, MT. Currently, she is a resident artist at The Clay Studio in Philadelphia, PA. Her work transforms objects, figures and spaces into visual language through the repetitive layering flat and spatial surfaces.

For her “human emotion comes from the interplay between people, physical space, and emotion itself. The ambivalence of human emotion occurs through unresolved and confusing situations in external and internal matters. An ambivalent moment reveals itself to me, and I depict that gray area of humanity”.

“I recount these unsettled situations so viewers can empathetically encounter the emotions of the human forms I create. I employ a multifaceted approach to convey the ambiguity of emotion, employing a blend of flat and spatial surfaces, subtle facial expressions, gaze, body language, color, and brushwork. Building the surfaces with clay allows me to seamlessly weave between dimensions and textures to articulate feelings of ambivalence”.

### **Education**

2018

MFA Ceramics, Alfred University, Alfred, NY

2015

BFA Double Major in Craft and Painting /Printmaking, Virginia Commonwealth University, Richmond, VA

### **Gallery**

New York: Anna Zorina Gallery, New York, NY

### **Residencies**

Current

Long-Term Residency, The Clay Studio, Philadelphia, PA

2021-2023

Long-Term Residency, Archie Bray Foundation, Helena, MT

2019-2021

Long-Term Residency, Red Lodge Clay Center, Red Lodge, MT

2018

Emerging Artist Residencies, Northern Clay Center, Minneapolis, MN

2015

Summer Art Residency, Art Program in Chautauqua Institution, Chautauqua, NY

## **Exhibition**

2025

Ceramic Brussels, Spax Projects, Belgium

Reimagined, Anna Zorina Gallery, New York, NY

2024

Untitled, Anna Zorina Gallery, Miami, FL

The Thousand Mile Journey, Kick The Can, New York, NY

NADA House, Dimin, New York, NY

Summer Hit, Anna Zorina Gallery, New York, NY

NADA, Dimin, New York, NY

Yellow/ing, Dimin, New York, NY

San Francisco Art Fair, Cura Contemporary, San Francisco, CA

Ceramic Brussels, Spax Projects, Belgium

FOG Design + Art, Salon 94 Design, San Francisco, CA

2023

Untitled Art Fair, Anna Zorina Gallery, Miami Beach, FL

2023 State of the Art Ceramic Biennial: Bold, Giertz Gallery, Champaign, IL

Between Horizons, The Clay Studio, Philadelphia, PA

Whisper in the Fog, Scott Miller Projects, Birmingham, AL

Galleries Art Fair 2023, EM Gallery, Seoul, Korea

*Cycles*, Dimin, New York, NY

*Here and There: Navigating the Cultural In-Between*, NKU Art Galleries, Highland Heights, KY

*Archie Bray Residents Show*, Queen City Clay, Norwood, OH

*Intersect Palm Springs Art and Design Fair*, John Natsoulas Gallery, Palm Springs, CA

*Figuratively Speaking Exhibition*, John Natsoulas Gallery, Oakland, CA

*Potheads*, Swivel Gallery, Brooklyn, NY

2022

*In The Bleak Mid Winter*, Swivel Gallery, Brooklyn, NY

*Exploring the Vessel*, Antler Gallery, Portland, OR

*The Bray Resident Exhibition*, Kolva-Sullivan Gallery, Spokane, WA

*What a Cup Knows*, Artstream Nomadic Gallery, Fort Collins, CO

*Eve's Rib*, Field Projects, New York, NY

*Material Mugs VII*, Companion Gallery, Humboldt, TN

*Where You From*, Tinwork, Bozeman, MT

*Sehnsucht*, Field Projects, New York, NY

*Resident Artist Exhibition*, Archie Bray Foundation, Helena, MT  
*Bodily*, The Clay Studio of Missoula, Missoula, MT  
*The Bray Resident Artist Exhibition*, Mills Art and Culture Center, Sacramento, CA  
*Body Image*, NCECA, E Street Gallery, Sacramento, CA

2021

*Face to Face: Portraits*, Site: Brooklyn Gallery  
70 Hester St, Strada Art Inc, New York, NY  
*The Bray Resident Exhibition*, Kolva-Sullivan Gallery, Spokane, WA  
*Carbondale Clay National XV*, Carbondale Clay Center, Carbondale, CO  
*Long Term Resident Exhibition*, Red Lodge Clay Center, Red Lodge, MT  
*Color: In Concert*, Art and Light Gallery, Greenville, SC  
*Arts in Everyday Life: 15 Years*, Red Lodge Clay Center, Red Lodge, MT  
*To Be of Seven Minds*, Holter Art Museum, Helena, MT  
*How It's Going*, Northern Clay Center, Minneapolis, MN  
*Hopefully Tomorrow*, Brockway Center for Arts and Technology, Brockway, PA  
*Long Term Resident Exhibition*, Red Lodge Clay Center, Red Lodge, MT  
*Yellowstone Art Auction 53*, Yellowstone Art Museum, Billings, MT

2020

*Red Lodge Clay Center Residency and Staff Show*, Toucan Gallery, Billings, MT  
*UnWedged*, Pottery Northwest, Seattle, WA  
*Red Lodge Clay Center Show*, Toucan Gallery, Billings, MT  
*Human Expectations*, HUB- Robeson Center, University Park, PA  
*The Clay Studio National 2020*, The Clay Studio, Philadelphia, PA  
*Red Lodge Clay Center Show*, SinClair Gallery at Northwest College, Powell, WY  
*Emerging Artist Grant Recipients*, Northern Clay Center, Minneapolis, MN  
*Red Lodge Clay Center Residency Show*, RMC Ryniker-Morrison Gallery, Billings, MT

2019

*The Beautiful and Bizarre: Figurative Ceramics Invitational*, Florida Craftsman, St. Pete, FL  
*Migratory*, Bath House Cultural Center, Dallas, TX  
*Unapologetic: Women's Ceramics in the Land of Mingei-Sota*, Minnesota Women Ceramic Artists, Minneapolis, MN  
*Kent State University Ceramics Invitational*, Anderson Turner Center for the Visual Arts, Kent, OH  
*La Mese delle Donne VI*, Rochester Art Center, Rochester, MN  
*25th Annual El Corazón Art Exhibition*, Bath House Cultural Center, Dallas, TX  
*Arrowhead Regional Biennial Show*, Duluth Institute, Duluth, MN  
*Athens Voices '19*, The Dairy Barn Center, Athen, OH  
*The Naked Print*, Rhode Island Center for Photographic Arts, Providence, RI  
*Arts in Harmony*, The Hopkins Center for the Arts, Hopkins, MN

2018

*Fresh! 2018 "Order and Chaos: The World of the Enlightened"*, Jankossen Contemporary, New York City, NY  
*Holiday Art Sale*, White Bear Center for the Arts, White Bear Lake, MN  
*Trestle Draw*, NCECA 2018, RJ Casey Industrial Park, Pittsburgh, PA

2015

*State of Matter*, Driftwood Salon, San Francisco, CA VCU  
*Craft/Material Studies Clay Area Sale*, Richmond, VA  
*Residency show*, Flower Kellogg Gallery, Chautauqua, NY  
*VCU Hall*, NCECA 2015, Providence, RI  
*VCU Senior Show*, Richmond, VA

2014

*Winter Ceramic Sale*, Quirk Gallery, Richmond, VA  
*Interaction 45*, VCU Fine Art building, Richmond, VA  
*Pixy Sick*, 720 E.6th st Richmond, VA  
*Special Guest*, Sardine Gallery, New York, NY  
*Student Exhibition*, Anderson Gallery, Richmond, VA

2013

*Design & Kinetic Imaging Exhibition*, Anderson Gallery, Richmond, VA

### **Grants/Awards**

2021

Staff Selection in Clay National XV: The Narrative Figure, Carbondale Clay Center, Carbondale, CO

2020

Honorable Mention in Unwedged Juried Show, Pottery Northwest, Seattle, WA

2019

Second Place in 62nd Arrowhead Regional Biennial Show, Duluth Institute, Duluth, MN

2018

Anonymous Artist Studio Fellowship through Northern Clay Center, Minneapolis, MN

2014

Juror Denise Markonish Award, Anderson Gallery, Richmond, VA  
Phil Meggs Scholarship from Painting Department, Virginia Commonwealth University, Richmond, VA

2013

Clarence and Nell Williams Scholarship from Painting Department, Virginia Commonwealth University, Richmond, VA

### **Publication**

2023

"The Ceramists Putting a Fresh Spin on Traditional Korean Techniques", T Magazine  
"Between horizons: Korean Ceramic Artist in America at The Clay Studio, Philadelphia", Ceramics Now

2021

Third Edition of Experience Clay, Davis Publications, Inc  
Exposure in Ceramic Monthly September 2021

Interview "Holter features Soojin Choi: 'To Be of Seven Minds', HelenaIR  
Interview "Artists share personal stories behind HUB- Robeson Galleries' 'Human Expectations' art exhibit, The Daily Collegian

2019

The Winter 2019, 13th Print Edition, Create! Magazine  
Volume 8 publication, Friends of the Artist Magazine

2018

Volume 262, 월간도예 (Ceramic Monthly in South Korea)

### **Professional Experiences**

2022

Guest Artist Talk and Demonstration, Georgia State University, Atlanta, GA  
Artist Talk, Artist Amplified, Archie Bray Foundation, Helena, MT

2021

Juror of Student Exhibition, University of Montana, Missoula, MT  
Guest Artist Talk and Demonstration, Austin Peay State University, Clarksville, TN  
Artist Talk, Art and Light Gallery, Greenville, SC  
Artist Talk "Artist Share", Hub-Robeson Galleries, University Park, PA

2020

Surface Series Workshop, Sonoma Community Center, Sonoma, CA  
Guest Artist Talk, Penn State University, State College, PA  
Guest Artist Talk and Demonstration, Rocky Mountain College, Billings, MT

2019

Guest Artist Talk, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, MN

2018

Guest Artist Talk, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, MN  
Interview, Global Day of Clay, Northern Clay Center, Minneapolis, MN

2017

Artist Lectures, 9th Grand Valley State University Ceramics Forum, Allendale, MI

### **Public Collection**

Holter Museum of Art, Helena, MT  
Brockway Center for Arts and Technology, Brockway, PA  
Alfred Ceramic Art Museum at Alfred University, Alfred, NY