

**** ANNUAL OPEN HOUSE ****

**Saturday, November 11, 2017
10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.**

**Free demonstrations throughout the day by
Guest Artist – Kensuke Yamada**

Kensuke Yamada was born in Kamakura, Kanagawa, Japan and received his MFA at the University of Montana. He received his BA at The Evergreen State College in Washington. Kensuke's exaggerated playful figurative work has been exhibited around the northwest. He received the 2009-2010 MJD Bray Fellowship award.

Artist statement:

"My work is inspired by the universal experience shared among all individuals through facial expression and simple body language, which I convey between the ceramic figures I create. I enjoy touching clay and I have found a way to communicate through ceramics, using gestures, patterns, and textures which create rhythm that brings the figures to life. Through my work I ask people to stop moving and enjoy the moments they are experiencing with their surroundings. I ultimately want people to think about "the moment not the movement of time". It is my hope that strangers can come together to experience a commonality, slowing down enough to share the emotional interaction with my figurative sculpture staged in a communal space."

To learn more about Kensuke visit his website www.yamadakensuke.com



***Discounts!* *Refreshments!* *Raffles throughout the day! ***