



DisabilitySupports
OF THE GREAT PLAINS

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— BEYOND —
Pottery
THE CLAYWORKS



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Located in the close-knit communities of McPherson and Hutchinson, in the heart of Kansas, The Clayworks is a creative hub for artists of all abilities.

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Artists at The Clayworks benefit from a nurturing environment that encourages their creativity and self-expression.

The enchanting nature of these hometown shops can be attributed to the individual artists and their dreams and visions.

Each handcrafted piece of art carries with it the story of the individual who created it. And, as each talented artist sits at the potter's wheel or drawing table, their artistic vision and skills are allowed to flourish in the beautiful facilities created just for them. Each day, the creative horizon advances as these incredible artists succeed as leaders and visionaries in their communities. We invite you to step into these beautiful, immersive environments and discover for yourself the treasure that is The Clayworks.



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The Clayworks Passion. The stores and studios that make up The Clayworks are a small part of an organization called Disability Supports of the Great Plains.

Disability Supports provides innovative, individualized services to children and adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities. With live-in campuses, day services, case management and in-home assistance in McPherson and Hutchinson, Kansas, this one-of-a-kind organization uniquely serves the needs of clients, families and caregivers.

Created in 1996 by parents of children with special needs, Disability Supports makes this promise: We are committed to being mission-focused, enriching the lives of those we serve in every way possible.

The Clayworks stores and studios are a natural, entrepreneurial extension of that promise.

The Clayworks People. The artists of The Clayworks decide when and what to create: The clay, kilns, potter's wheel, glazes and other tools are at their disposal. Professional art educators are on staff, not to lead but to collaborate.

The Clayworks' artists aren't producing art simply to pass time. It is their work, a product worthy of value and an act of self-expression. They receive 100% of the proceeds from the sale of their merchandise. The income provides a measure of independence and is an important part of a full and complete life.

The Clayworks Promise. More than income, the artists at The Clayworks create a better world for themselves and others. They gain a sense of self-confidence that follows them out of the studio and into daily life. They're free not only to discover their own talent, but as artistic leaders in their communities, to share their gifts and skills with others.

The Clayworks' is the Main Street manifestation of the spirit behind Disability Supports. Shoppers catch a glimpse of the importance of helping people with special needs experience the joy of creating things of beauty. By fostering the spirit of art, we are also enhancing the quality of life for those we serve and the communities we share.

We invite you to visit each Clayworks location in Hutchinson and McPherson, Kansas. May you find a new way of looking at art and the talented individuals who create it.

FOSTERING THE
SPIRIT OF ART

"What art offers is
space — a certain
breathing room for
the spirit." — John Updike



WE SHIP ANYWHERE

To inquire about the handmade products by The Clayworks' artists, please contact us at theclayworks.org.

