

Ferment

by Isabelle Mackay-Sim and Teffany Thiedeman
8 July to 1 August 2021



Photo by Andrew Sikorski

Ferment is an exhibition from established Canberra artists **Teffany Thiedeman** and **Isabelle Mackay-Sim** that begins with asking you to consider the use and form of the humble crock pot. Used for the process of fermenting food, they invite you to engage with the process of fermentation and fermenting change. As well as offering ceramic vessels for creating fermented foods, they present to you Ferment as an idea of fundamental change.

Ferment, the exhibition and what it represents, seems even more relevant now, after over a year of lockdowns, distancing and localising our lifestyles. With many of us being forced into our homes, we have embraced, or at least tried, preserving foods, cooking more, crafting, growing. Mindful projects such as pottery, cooking and fermentation are for many, small innovative changes to our routines, that improve our quality of life at a time when comfort and curiosity are important.

Appreciate the form of the works in Ferment, how they have been sculpted, given shape, texture, colour, a purpose, and life. In considering these functional items within this exhibition space, the artists are tempting us to make a range of connections and consider much. How the process of creating is accessible to us all – both in choosing to ferment or create your own ceramics. How creative, and functional processes can impact our mental health, and in the case of fermenting also impact our gut and then, as studies are showing, our brains. And how ideas ferment in the mind and within communities, giving rise to political upheaval and social change.

- Dr. Deborah Hill

1. <i>Gut (Yellow)</i> Isabelle Mackay-Sim Glazed earthenware ceramic. 2021	\$480.00	4. <i>Kelp Crock</i> Teffany Thiedeman in collaboration with Red Ochre Studio. Glazed midfire ceramic. 2021	\$300.00
2. <i>Gut (Pink)</i> Isabelle Mackay-Sim Glazed earthenware ceramic. 2021	\$420.00	5. <i>Selkie Head Crock</i> Teffany Thiedeman Glazed midfire ceramic. 2019	\$400.00
3. <i>Frosted Demijohn (Archways)</i> Isabelle Mackay-Sim Glazed midfire ceramic. 2021	\$700.00	6. <i>Frosted Demijohn (Squat)</i> Isabelle Mackay-Sim Glazed midfire ceramic. 2021	\$500.00

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7. <i>Frosted Demijohn (Nude)</i>	\$700.00	16 - 27. <i>Fleshlocks</i>	\$80.00
Isabelle Mackay-Sim		Isabelle Mackay-Sim	each
Glazed midfire ceramic. 2021		Midfire coloured doll porcelain.	
		2021	
8. <i>Ginger Jar With Window</i>	\$1,100.00	28. <i>Mermaid</i>	\$750.00
Isabelle Mackay-Sim		Teffany Thiedeman in	
Glazed earthenware ceramic.		collaboration with Red Ochre	
2021		Studio.	
		Midfire ceramic. 2021	
9. <i>2020 Vision</i>	\$350.00	29. <i>Seadogs</i>	\$350.00
Teffany Thiedeman		Teffany Thiedeman in	
Ceramic, glass, found object.		collaboration with Red Ochre	
2021		Studio.	
		Midfire ceramic. 2021	
10. <i>The Taste</i>	\$600.00	30. <i>Organism Crock</i>	\$420.00
Teffany Thiedeman		Isabelle Mackay-Sim	
Midfire ceramic. 2021		Glazed midfire ceramic. 2021	
		31. <i>Ridged Crock</i>	\$300.00
11. <i>Chook Crock</i>	\$400.00	Isabelle Mackay-Sim	
Teffany Thiedeman		Glazed midfire ceramic. 2021	
Glazed midfire ceramic. 2021		32. <i>Corona Crock</i>	\$450.00
		Teffany Thiedeman	
12. <i>Sacrafermental</i>	\$700.00	Glazed midfire ceramic. 2021	
Teffany Thiedeman		33. <i>How To Ferment Vegetables</i>	\$100.00
Midfire ceramic, found objects.		(framed)	
2021		Isabelle Mackay-Sim	
		Linocut print on paper (framed).	
13. <i>Warrigal Greens Mandala</i>	\$425.00	2021	
Teffany Thiedeman		34. <i>How To Ferment Vegetables</i>	\$100.00
Painted ceramic, copper wire.		(framed)	
2021		Isabelle Mackay-Sim	
		Linocut print on paper (framed).	
14. <i>Goddess Of Offerings</i>	NFS	2021	
Teffany Thiedeman			
Stained & painted midfire			
ceramic, spices and plants. 2019			
15. <i>Babushka Crock</i>	NFS		
Teffany Thiedeman			
Glazed midfire ceramic. 2020			

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35. *How To Ferment Vegetables* \$60.00
(unframed)* each
Isabelle Mackay-Sim
Linocut print on paper. 2021

**Please note these artworks are available to
take home at time of purchase.*

36. *Patterned Crock* \$160.00
Isabelle Mackay-Sim
Glazed midfire ceramic. 2021

37. *Fig Crock* \$120.00
Isabelle Mackay-Sim
Glazed midfire ceramic. 2021

38. *Tanuki Jar* \$200.00
Teffany Thiedeman
Glazed midfire ceramic. 2021

39. *Fringe Dwelling* \$450.00
Teffany Thiedeman
Ceramic, grout, found objects.
2021

40. *Tend Your Garden Crock* \$620.00
Teffany Thiedeman
Glazed midfire ceramic. 2021

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