



# Birgitt Wolf-King, Master

Corning Painted Post High School. Corning, NY.

## Why I Chose Grant Terwilliger

Grant Terwilliger is a determined and hardworking ninth grade student in my Studio Art class. I chose Grant's ceramic tile, "What You Imagine," from all my 9th -12th grade student's artworks to represent Corning High School in the Master Grasshopper Exhibit.

Despite challenges of quarantine, missing school, attending virtually and ultimately returning to the hybrid schedule, Grant successfully created pieces in my class with exceptional technical and artistic skill. He completed projects during lunch and borrowed materials to work independently. Grant made his unique geometric design by stamping various size circles from found objects purposefully into the clay surface to create a radial pattern. The clay tile was air dried, fired, carefully painted with glaze, and ultimately fired a second time with fabulous results.

Congratulations & thank you, Grant for sharing your creative ceramic work in this special exhibit.

## Artist Statement

"Painting affords me fluency to express a memory, mood and experience; moments in time & place. Words flow less freely. I'm drawn to explorations of color and light; real and imagined spaces - land, sea, lake & sky. My work abstracts the natural while simultaneously maintaining a connection to its source.

These handmade books are constructed as visual vignettes, manifesting implicit glimpses revealed within sunlight and mist.

Often, I paint close up, contrasting micro views with distant perspectives to create multi-panel pieces as coexistent stories. I capture movement and nuance in layers and excavated textures, both in two and three dimensions. Inspired by the visceral and textural subtleties, wax is a favorite media connecting all."

Birgitt Wolf-King received her Bachelor of Fine Arts degree from Alfred University and her Masters of Education in Art Education from The Pennsylvania State University. An artist educator, Ms. Wolf-King has taught pre-K through college. She currently teaches Studio Art, Painting, Drawing, and Printmaking at Corning Painted Post High School in Corning, NY.