3D LANDSCAPE

Students can explore color and texture through the creation of these fun 3D landscapes. Consider how climate or season might influence the look of the landscape. Once finished you can assemble all of the landscapes into one large group landscape.

MATERIALS
- Slabs of Clay 1/2” Thick
- 4” Tile Cutter
- Pin Tool or Knife
- Variety of Texture Tools
- Nichrome Wire
- Underglaze
- Clear Glaze

PROCESS
1. Roll the tile cutter through the 1/2” thick slab horizontally and vertically creating a grid. Each square will be used for an individual landscape. Using a thin plastic sheet between the roller and the clay will prevent the roller from sticking.

2. Roll a small ball of clay about 1” in diameter and pinch into the shape of a house.

3. Use a variety of texture tools and carving tools to add texture to the house. Consider adding bricks, siding, roofing, doors and windows.

4. Scratch and attach the house to the 4” x 4” landscape base.

5. Use a variety of texture tools and carving tools to create interest in your landscape. Consider adding paths, streams, fields or patterns.
ADD A TREE
1. To add a tree you will need a 1” piece of Nichrome wire and a small ball of clay

2. Form the ball of clay into the shape you want for the top portion of your tree

3. Insert the Nichrome wire into the ball of clay and give it a little wiggle. This wiggle will leave enough space for the clay to shrink around the wire when fired

Repeat when inserting the tree into the landscape base

GLAZING
1. Allow landscape to dry, paint with a variety of underglaze colors and fire to bisque

2. Once bisqued you can leave the landscapes as is or apply a clear glaze and fire once more