Craft artists push beyond traditions by testing the limits of materials and techniques. Whether using clay, metal, glass, or fiber, these artists create works that blur the lines between art and craft and encourage us to see everyday objects in new ways.

After participation in this videoconference, your students will be better able to:

- Understand the materials and traditions artists use to create craft works;
- Identify ways artists have broken from traditions to express their ideas;
- Reflect upon and assess craft works using visual vocabulary;
- Discuss the purpose of both functional and non-functional artworks.

**HIGHLIGHTED STANDARDS**

**Visual Arts**

K-12.7: Perceive and analyze artistic work
K-12.8: Interpret intent and meaning in artistic work
K-12.9: Apply criteria to evaluate artistic work
K-12.11: Relate artistic ideas and works from a variety of sources with societal, cultural, and historical context to deepen understanding

**Historical Thinking**

K-12.4: Obtain and interrogate historical data from a variety of sources, including library and museum collections, in order to formulate historical questions from encounters with art and other records from the past

**KEY CONCEPTS**

ceramic, craft, decorative, earthenware, elements of art, fine art, functional, glass, kiln, landscape, porcelain, portrait, textile, weaving
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## RELATED ARTWORKS

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**ADDITIONAL ARTWORKS**

Wendell Castle, *Ghost Clock*, 1985, bleached Honduras mahogany, 86 1/4 x 24 1/2 x 15 in., Museum purchase through the Smithsonian Institution Collections Acquisition Program, 1989.68. © 1985, Wendell Castle


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