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**Daniel Arts Center presents exhibition
by Ceramics Faculty member Harry Levenstein**

GREAT BARRINGTON, MA— The Hillman-Jackson Gallery in The Daniel Arts Center at Bard College at Simon's Rock is pleased to present *flores cinis terra*, an exhibition of ceramic artworks by Simon's Rock Ceramics program resident artist and adjunct ceramics faculty member Harry Levenstein.

The show will include a grouping of ash-glazed stoneware and porcelain pots exploring Levenstein's take on traditional forms and techniques that have influenced his own personal aesthetic philosophy. Attendees can expect to see visual nods to ceramics made by Korean, Japanese, South Indian, Grecian and English masters found in prominent museum collections.

The decorative imagery of this show centers around an archetypal flower rendered by hand using *sgraffito*, slips, inlays, and sprigs. Levenstein earned his bachelor's degree in studio arts and art education from Humboldt Poly Tech in 2014 before spending three years apprenticing with two clay artists in the Pacific Northwest and the Midwest. In 2019, he spent six months living in southern India working at Pondicherry's Golden Bridge Pottery and exploring the local materials through the lens of Japanese wood firing learned during his apprenticeship.

From India, Levenstein moved to southwestern Montana to further his exploration into atmospheric firing processes and clay body design. Levenstein moved to the Berkshires in 2020 to begin his position at Simon's Rock as caretaker of the clay studio, working with students and maintaining a studio practice. He travels internationally to teach woodfiring workshops and hopes to build a large kiln to grow and accommodate a local wood firing community here in the Berkshires.

The exhibition opens to the public Friday, October 18 from 5pm to 7pm — followed by an opening reception on Friday, October 25 — until January 15th, 2025.

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