

## **REINHARD KEITEL**

Ceramics Master, Ceramics Sculptor

Born in Rathenow, Germany

1965 – 1969 High School and education as a bricklayer.

1969 -1973 Study of building engineer at the Technical University of Cottbus/Germany and at the Bauhaus University Weimar/ Germany, recognition diploma a building engineer, Experimental work with clay and porcelain, salt glazes and Engobes, development and manufacture of woodfiring kilns.

1980 - 1983 apprenticeship as a potter in Weimar.

1981 - 1982 Study design at the Academy of Industrial Design Burg Giebichenstein in Halle/Germany.

1983 opening of a pottery in Weimar, Self employed active (free-lance),

1984 - 1986 Master training, recognition as pottery and ceramics master.

1987 Technical Director of the 5th International Ceramics Symposium in Römhild /Germany.

1986 - 2004 worked as a teacher in the apprentice and master craftsman, member of many examining boards.

1990 - 2004 Board member and deputy wardens of the Thuringian ceramist and potters' guild,

2004 Foundation of pottery and ceramics school in Weimar,

Producing sculptural, rotationally symmetrical large vessels and geometric abstract sculptures, which are intended as single works of art to be installed in public spaces. The open fires and the use of specific clay materials are used as design elements determining for the surfaces.

2008/2011/2015 technical and organizational manager of the International Ceramic Symposium in Römhild (Germany),

2013-2019 Chairman of Ceramic Foundation Römhild and manager of the arts and crafts school of ceramics Römhild,

Exhibitions in Germany, Turkey, Czech Republic, Russia, Italy, Thailand, China, Taiwan, France.