

Galerie Fledermaus + Jason Jacques Gallery present

THE
ILLUSION
OF
PERM AMENCE

CERAMIC WORKS BY ERIC SERRITELLA



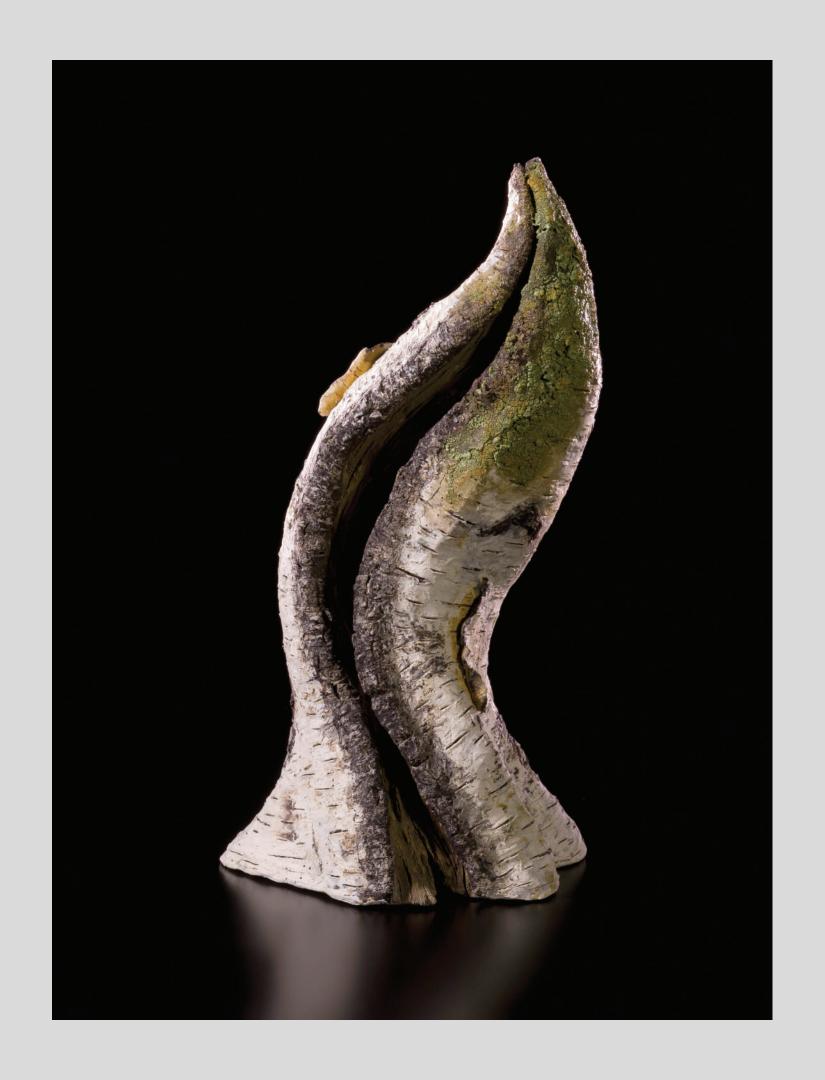


Jason Jacques Gallery is pleased to announce The Illusion of Permanence, an exhibition of works by world-renowned ceramic artist Eric Serritella. Presented in collaboration with Galerie Fledermaus in Chicago, The Illusion of Permanence is a paean to nature, offered in clay.

Serritella's trompe l'oeil ceramic sculptures are effigies; aged, weathered and burned by nature and man. His forms echo natural organisms so perfectly, so poignantly, the wounds and scars he carves into their flesh register with a palpable pain. But in depicting the destruction wrought by humans on the earth, Serritella remains an optimist. He sows seeds of hope beneath the ruin: a bud beneath the charred forest floor, waiting to emerge. Serritella tells us that nature will survive long past our time here on earth.

Decay is merely the process of nature reassembling itself; breaking down, changing form, and-like a fresh lump of clay-transforming into something new.







Campfire (teapot) 10.5 x 9 x 12 in. \$6,000

Opposite: *Solifleur* 12 x 6 x 5.5 in. \$6,000











Remnants 22 x 18 x 9 in. \$18,000

Opposite: *Agony & Ecstasy* 22.5 x 24 x 14 in. \$28,000



Roots Opus I, horizontal arrangement $26 \times 43 \times 15$ in. \$32,000

Vertical arrangement 52 x 18 x 15 in.













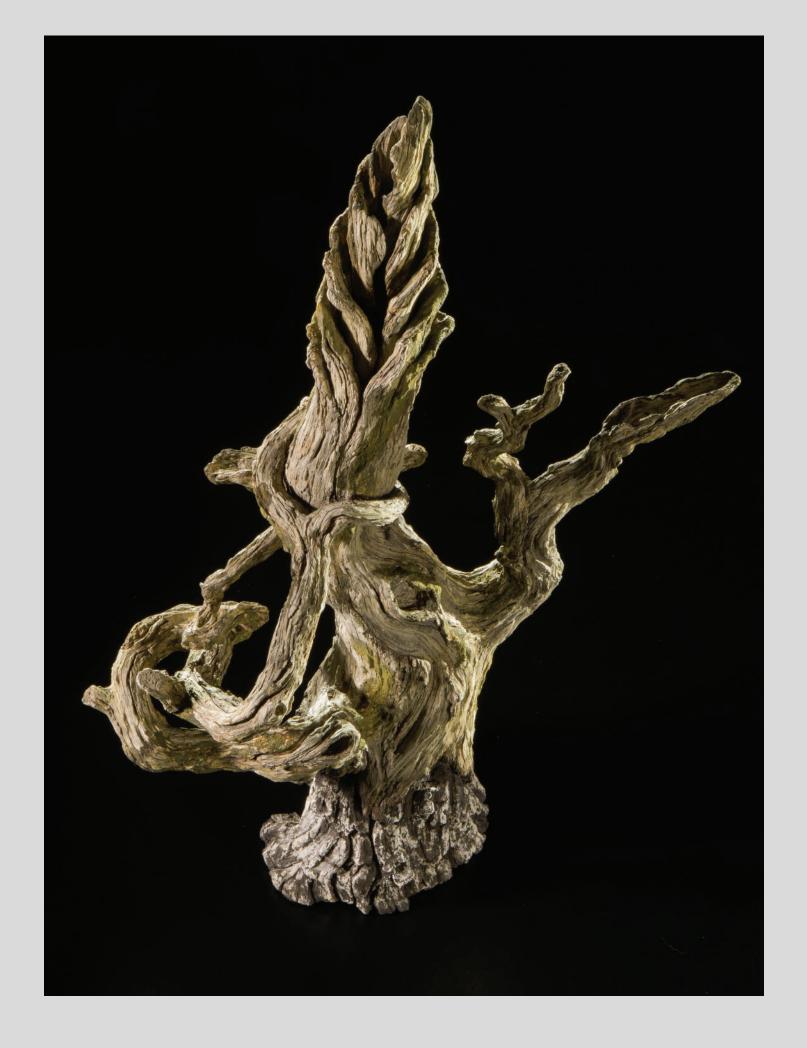


Revealed 24 x 20 x 17 in. \$30,000

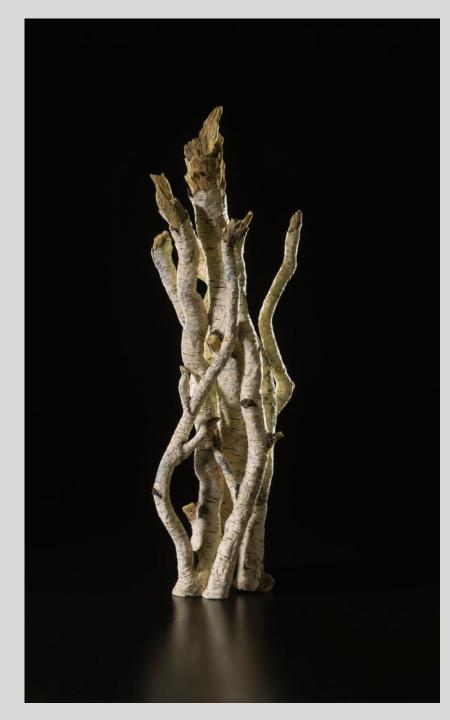


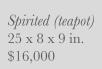












Opposite:
Weathered Solifleur
3 x 7 x 7 in.
\$3,500









Southern Birch 77 x 58 x 23 in. \$42,000





Ghosts of the Muse 46 x 24 x 40 in. \$42,500





Devotion 90 x 41 x 23 in. \$140,000







Emergence 74.5 x 32 x 34 in. \$36,000

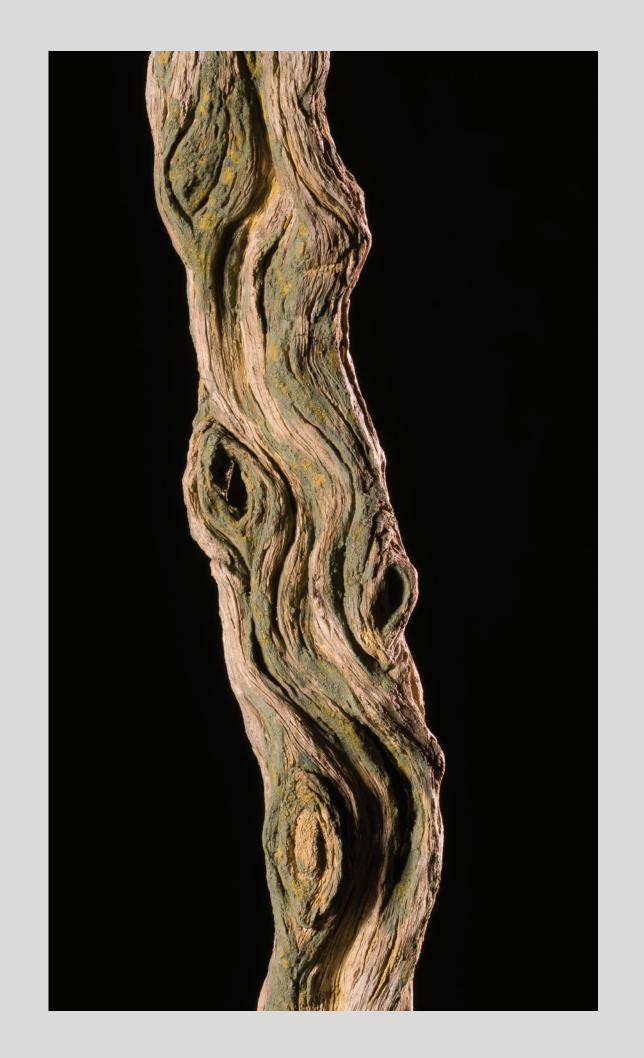
Potted Bonsai #1 7.5 x 9 x 6 in. \$3,600

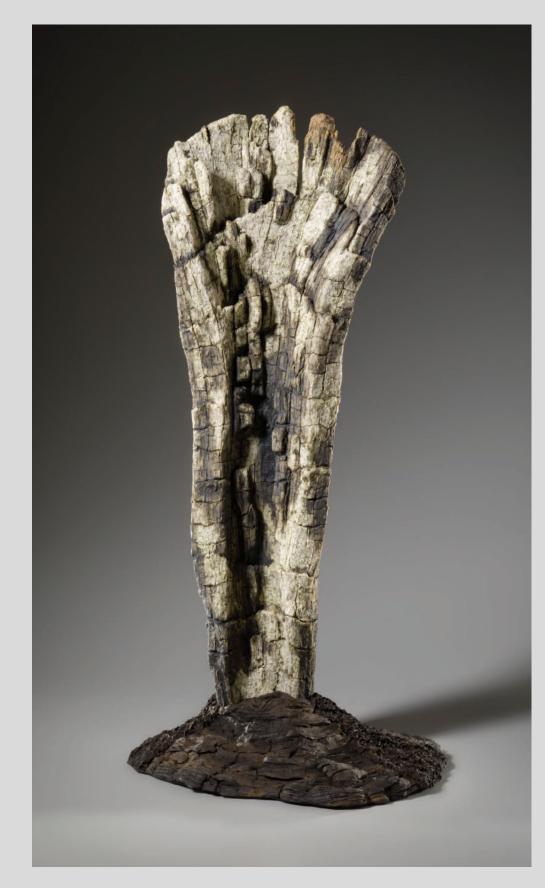






Let Yourself Go 26 x 9 x 7 in. \$14,000







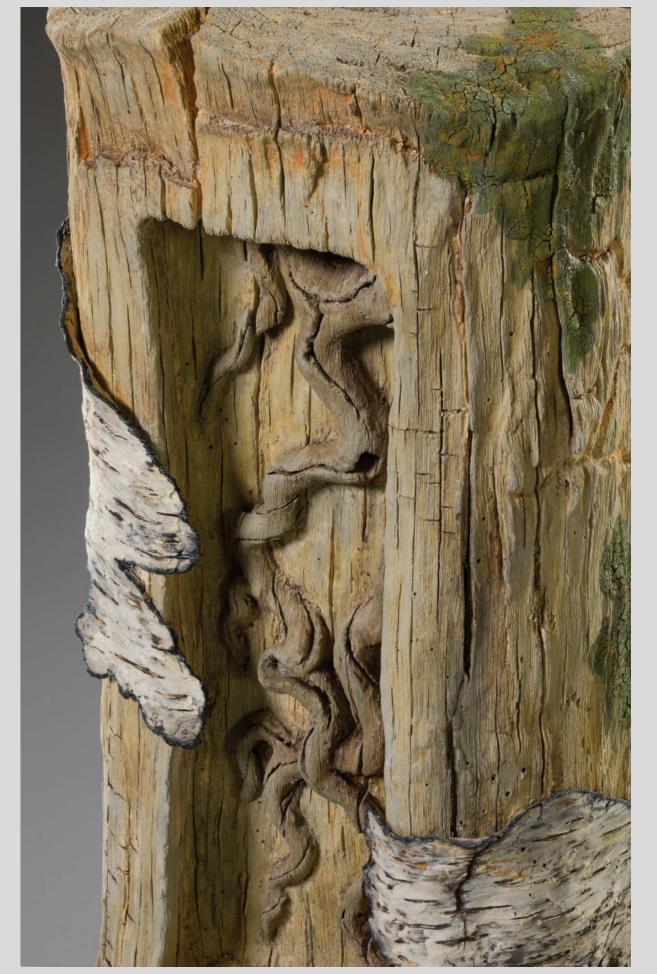




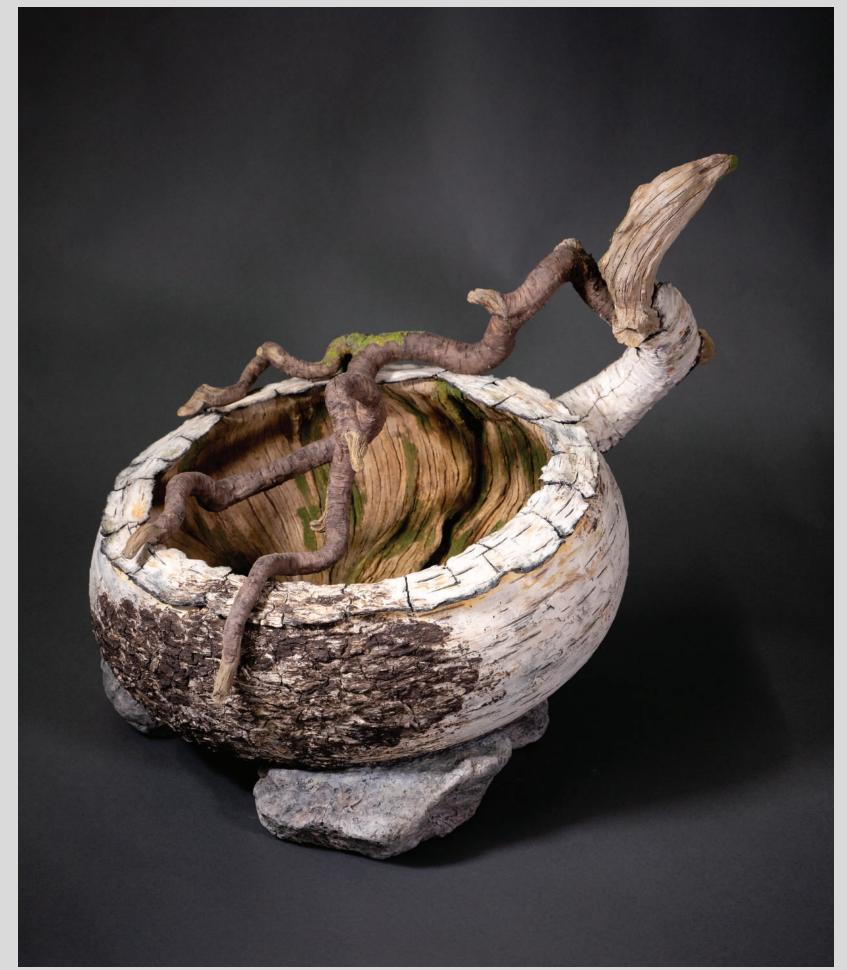
Igneous 30 x 16 x 13 in. \$16,000

By the River 27.5 x 11.5 x 7 in. \$14,000





Entwined 15 x 8 x 4 in. \$7,500





Full F'in Day 20 x 18 x 24 in. \$24,000















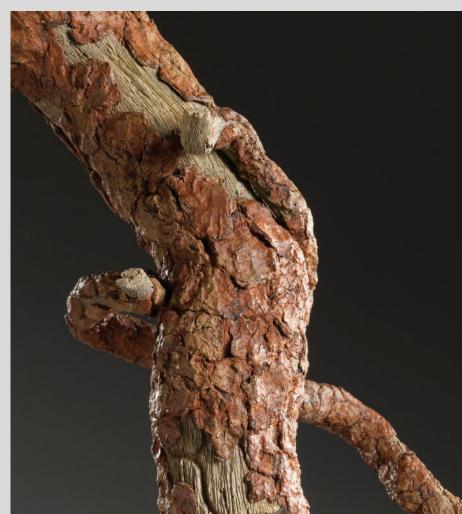




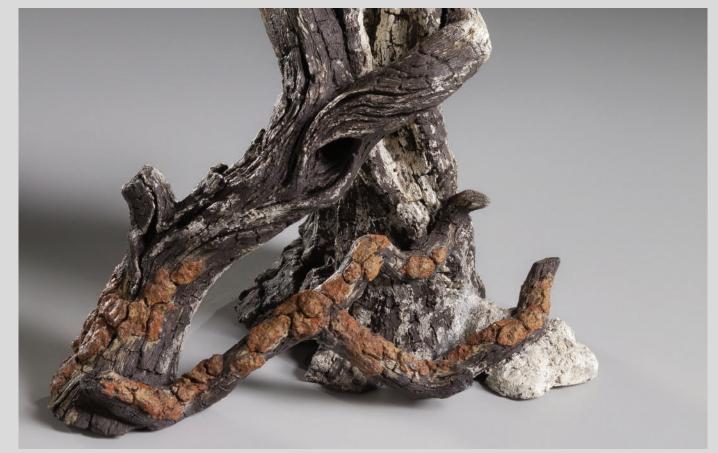
Pine Bark Platter 8 x 24 x 10 \$8,000

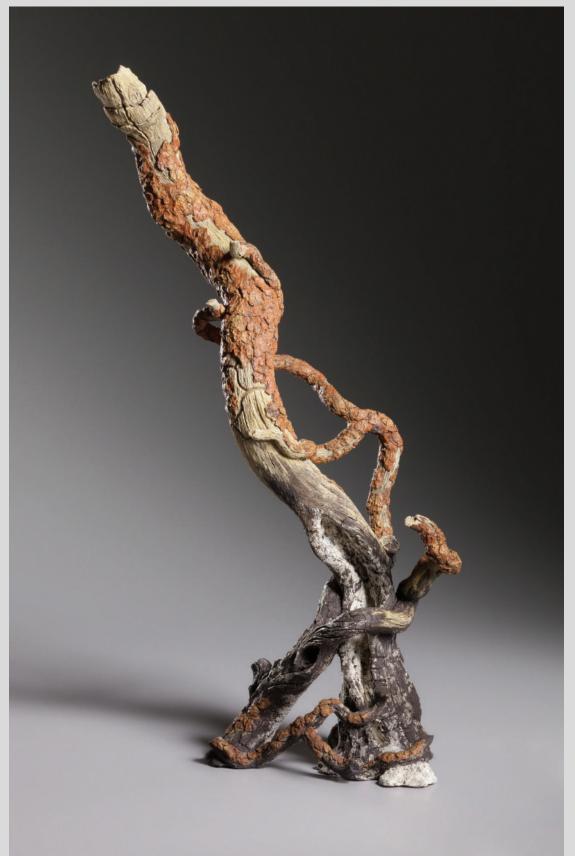
Opposite: *Lidded Jar*7.5 x 17 x 6
\$4,800



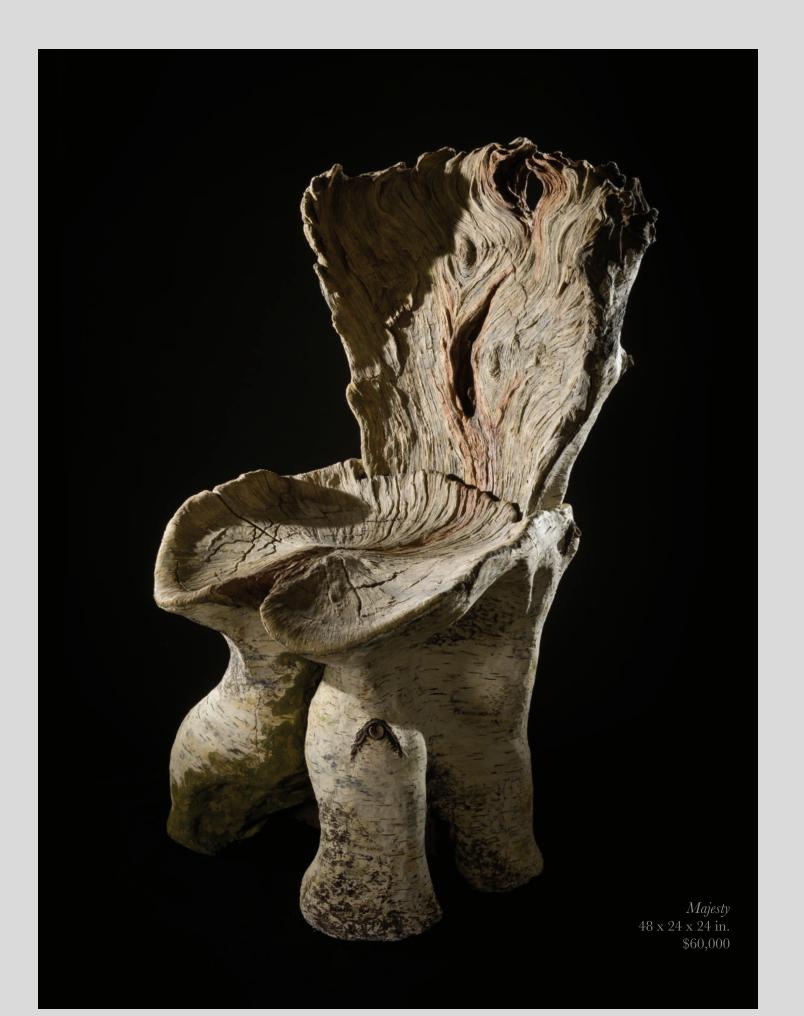


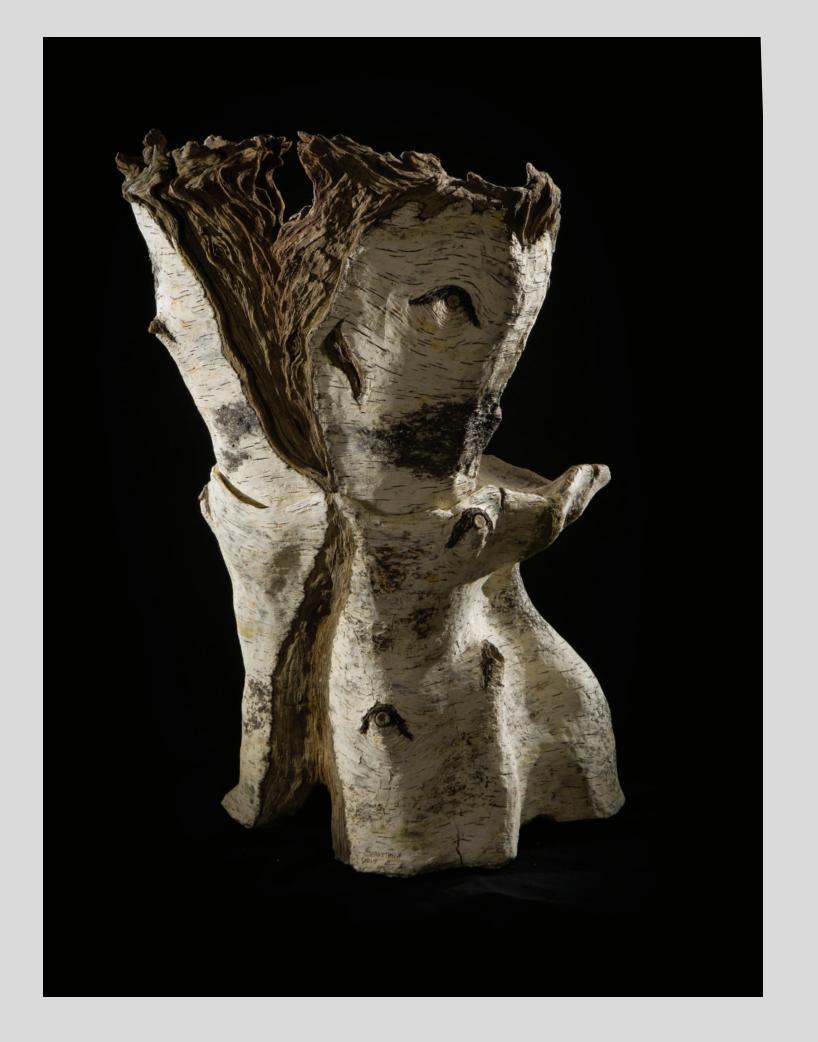
Charred Pine Bark Mug 9.25 x 8 x 4.25 in. \$4,800





Resilience 23 x 9 x 6 in. \$12,000





TRIC STRRITTLLA (B. 1963)

Eric Serritella is a trompe l'oeil artist specializing in hand-carved ceramic sculptures transformed into birch, charred and weathered logs, and faux-wooden vessels. His one-of-a-kind sculptures are internationally recognized for their hyper-realism, and have been exhibited, awarded and collected on five continents for their exquisite organic design and incredibly lifelike textures. Over two dozen artworks are represented in public collections, including the Metropolitan Museum of Art, Smithsonian American Art Museum, Carnegie Museum of Art, and the Mint Museum.



"Through aging and decay, I explore how nature maintains its splendors with tenacity and triumphs of existence... I appreciate how ceramic mirrors the environment's fragility and durability — easily damaged if disrespected and yet invincible in its inherent beauty and longevity."

~ Eric Serritella

Artwork photographed by Jason Dowdle, except *Devotion*, *Full F'in Day*, and *Potted Bonsai #1* photographed by Ault Nathanielsz. Above photo courtesy of the artist.

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Selected Collections

The Metropolitan Museum of Art Smithsonian American Art Museum Carnegie Museum of Art Mint Museum Everson Museum of Art Fuller Craft Museum Phoenix Airport Museum Appleton Museum of Art Memorial Art Gallery Herbert F. Johnson Museum Burchfield Penney Art Center John F. Peto Studio Museum Kamm Teapot Foundation Cornell University Plantations Visitors Center me Collectors Room, Stiftung Olbricht, Germany China Changchun International Ceramics Gallery, China Jingdezhen Sanbao Ceramic Arts Institute, China

Shui-Li Snake Kiln and Cultural Park, Taiwan

Selected Solo Exhibitions

- 2021 Galerie Fledermaus, IL
- 2019 Blue Spiral 1 Gallery, NC
- 2018 Jason Jacques Gallery, NY
- 2017 Jason Jacques Gallery, at Frieze New York, NY
- 2015 Appleton Museum of Art, FL
- 2013 Jason Jacques Gallery, NY

Selected Group Exhibitions

- 2021 China Changchun International Ceramics Gallery, Changchun International Ceramics Symposium, China
- 2020 New Taipei Yingge Ceramics Museum, Taiwan Ceramics Biennal, Taiwan
- 2019 Contemporary Art Museum Raleigh, North Carolina Artists Exhibition, NC Everson Museum of Art, A Legacy of Firsts: The Everson Collects, NY South East Center for Contemporary Art (SECCA), Furnished, NC
- 2018 Fuller Craft Museum, Tricks of the Trade, MA
 - Blowing Rock Art & History Museum, Handcrafted: North Carolina Clay, NC
- 2017 Smithsonian American Art Museum, Renwick Gallery, Connections, DC
- 2016 Flint Museum of Art, Function, Form & Fantasy, MI
- 2015 John F. Peto Studio Museum, Is it Real? Contemporary Sculpture that Fools the Eye, NJ
- 2014 Arnot Art Museum, Re-presenting Representation VIII, NY
- 2013 Jordon Schnitzer Museum of Art, Univ. of Oregon, Living Legacies, JSMA @ 80, OR

Selected Awards & Honors

- 2019 Joyce W. Pope Grand Prize, Contemporary Art Museum, NC
- 2016 James Renwick Alliance Distinguished Artist (ceramics),
 - presented at Renwick Gallery of The Smithsonian American Art Museum, DC
- 2013 Delhom Service League Purchase Award, The Mint Museum, NC
- 2011 Director's Award, 73rd Regional Exhibition, Arnot Art Museum, NY
- 2009 Emerging Artist '09, AmericanStyle magazine