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Gerry Wedd, Australia, born 1957, *Teapot*, 2007, Port Elliott, South Australia, earthenware, 16.5 x 14.0 x 13.5cm (combined); Gift of Shane Le Plastrier 2007, Art Gallery of South Australia, Adelaide © the artist

BE INSPIRED!

Gerry Wedd's *Teapot* is on display as part of the START Day program on Sunday 4 June 2017.

TEAPOTS + TEA SETS

ABOUT THE ARTIST

Gerry Wedd lives on the Fleurieu Peninsula in South Australia, and has lived by the beach and surfed since he was young. In the 1980s, he competed in state-level surfing championships, and worked as a designer for the surf wear company Mambo, where he created posters, clothing designs and surfboards. Wedd studied ceramics at the South Australian School of Art, and themes such as the ocean and seaside life feature in many of his ceramic works of art.

ABOUT THE WORK

Gerry Wedd's *Teapot* was created in Port Elliott on the Fleurieu Peninsula, using cobalt blue underglaze, which is used in many of his other ceramic works of art. The ocean waves not only reflect his love of the beach and his surfing experience, but the blue design also illustrates his interest in the woodblock print *Under the wave, off Kanagawa* (*Kanagawa oki nami-ura*.) This print was designed by Katsushika Hokusai in 1883 and featured Japan's tallest peak, Mount Fuji, engulfed by a giant wave.

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CREATE YOUR OWN WORK OF ART

Sharpie Design

MATERIALS YOU NEED

- White ceramic cups or mugs
 - Oil-based paint Sharpie markers
 - Kitchen oven
 - Dishwasher-safe Modpodge sealer
- 1 Practice drawing a few designs on a piece of paper first, and then choose your favourite to draw onto your mug.
 - 2 Choose a Sharpie marker and start to draw your design directly onto your mug. Make sure the white cup or mug is clean of any dust or oil before you start to draw.
 - 3 After you have finished your design, let it dry completely overnight. If you would like to darken the design, you can draw over it again, but be sure to let it dry completely between each layer.
 - 4 To set your design, bake the mug in the oven for 30 minutes at 180°C. Ask for your parent/guardian's help before using the oven. It is important that you place the mug in the oven before it heats up and leave the mug in until after the oven cools down completely – this will prevent the mug from cracking.

Care and wash

Hand-wash the mug gently or apply a thin coat of dishwasher safe ModPodge to seal your design.

Marble-dipped Mugs

MATERIALS YOU NEED

- White ceramic cups or mugs
 - Nail polish
 - Disposable plastic spoons
 - Wooden skewers or toothpicks
 - Warm water
 - Disposable pan or bucket
 - Optional: Nail polish remover and cotton balls to remove mistakes
- 1 Fill a disposable pan (or something you don't mind getting coloured by nail polish) with warm water. Add the water depending on how much of the mug you would like to cover.
 - 2 Gently pour a spoonful of nail polish onto the surface of the water. For a thin marbled effect, use a small amount of nail polish in one colour; for a thicker, brighter pattern, use more nail polish in two or three colours.
 - 3 Use a toothpick or skewer to quickly swirl the nail polish across the surface of the water. Be sure to move quickly when pouring, swirling and dipping because the nail polish will set in the water.
 - 4 Quickly dunk your mug into the nail polish water, dipping the mug straight down and straight up again. Place mug on a protected surface to dry overnight. Make sure that the mug is not resting on any of the nail polish covered surfaces, or it may become stuck as it dries.
 - 5 After you have dipped one mug, remove the leftover hardened nail polish from the water, using a spare plastic spoon or paper towel, and throw in the bin. Refill the pan with fresh water and fresh nail polish before dipping the next mug.

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