

Susie Rubenstein was raised in New York and moved to California in 1970. Her introduction to clay was at Cabrillo College in Santa Cruz, CA. transferring to UC Santa Cruz and earning a BA in *Arts and Crafts and Their History* in 1977. The program was ceramics intensive and on graduating she joined the Santa Cruz Art Center while being a studio assistant to Al Johnsen of Scott Creek Pottery. In 1983 Susie continued her education at Kansas City Art Institute, changed her major from ceramics to fiber, earning a BFA degree there and continuing on to Cranbrook Academy of Art for a MFA degree. Work and travel led her back to ceramics. In 1997 teaching and maintaining a home studio became a full-time endeavor. Since then Susie has been adjunct faculty at Soka University, Saddleback College, and taught for the *Arts in Corrections* program in the California State Prisons. From 2000-2002 she headed the ceramics and 3-dimensional design program at the Orange County High School of the Arts in Santa Ana and from 2002-2005 was the Lab Technician at Saddleback College in Mission Viejo. Susie Rubenstein was the lead Professor of the Ceramics Program at Mt. San Antonio College from 2005-2020 in Walnut, California, and recently retired, continues to maintain a studio at home in San Juan Capistrano.