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# COMMUNITY KITCHEN PITTSBURGH TO SELL ARTIST-MADE PREP BOWLS AT BOWLS AND BOARDS OPEN HOUSE

## WHO/WHAT:

Community Kitchen Pittsburgh (CKP) will sell artist-made, ceramic prep bowls just in time for holiday giving at its upcoming *Bowls and Boards* open house. The bowls were part of Contemporary Craft's exhibition, *Prepping Pittsburgh: Art Sustaining Community*, at its BNY Mellon Satellite Gallery.

The prep bowls were created by artist George Bowes and 10 ceramics artist from across the county. In total, they created 327 unique prep bowls; one to honor each graduate of Community Kitchen Pittsburgh. A portion of all sales will go to CKP. Admission is free and refreshments made by CKP students will be provided. RSVP is required to Jen Thoma at <u>ithoma@ckpgh.org</u>.

#### WHERE:

Community Kitchen Pittsburgh 107 Flowers Avenue Pittsburgh, PA 15207

#### WHEN:

Thursday, December 9, 5:00-8:00 PM

The *Prepping Pittsburgh* project began with George Bowes, a Galveston, TX based ceramic artist, who sees an analogy between the concept of making small prep bowls for cooking and how organizations prepare individuals to be active members of the community. By partnering with CKP, an organization that uses the food industry to change lives and strengthen communities by turning it into life-changing career opportunities, Bowes and 10 participating artists created 327 unique prep bowls with diverse styles and forms. Each bowl represents and honors a graduate of the CKP program. With the project, Bowes sought to amplify CKP's mission and programming in the region.

Participating artists include George Bowes, Eleanor Anderson, Carole Ann Fer, Terry Gess, Louise Rosenfield, Jerry Solomon Jr., Judith Salomon, Yoko Sekino-Bove, Lynn Smiser Bowers, JerilynVirden, and Holly Walker.

# About Community Kitchen Pittsburgh

Community Kitchen Pittsburgh uses food as the foundation to changes lives and strengthen communities by providing culinary training and opening career pathways to individuals who experience barriers to employment. CKP believes that every person who comes through their doors is inherently worthy and has the potential to reach and exceed their goals, regardless of their past or present. CKP works to provide opportunities for success and lifelong careers to those who work with them.

#### **About Contemporary Craft**

Presenting contemporary art in craft materials by regional, national, and international artists since 1971, Contemporary Craft offers cutting edge exhibitions focusing on multicultural diversity and contemporary art, as well as a range of artist-led studio workshops, community outreach programs, and a store. Located at 5645 Butler Street in Pittsburgh, PA, Contemporary Craft's exhibition and Drop-In Studio are free to the public.