



Educator's Vault Lesson

Artist: Joe Bova

Grade Level: Elementary

Inspiration:

View the image of the *Devil Hog* from AMoA's Educator's Vault with your students.

Questions for Students:

- What do you think of this sculpture?
- How big do you think it is?
- How would it feel if you could touch it?
- What feelings do you experience when you look at the *Devil Hog* ?

Prep:

In preparation for the clay day, create multiple clay balls to have ready to hand out. All will be anxious to get their hands on the clay. You will most likely need to circle around to assist in the pinch pot method. It is a learning process that may require a second or third attempt.

Process:

1. Show the students the You Tube video *Pinch Pot Sculpture* by Rachael Wick <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tggXaF-AOSs>
2. While watching the video ask the students to write down some important steps.
3. After the video, ask the students to name some animals that they could make from a pinch pot. Write these on the board, so students who are struggling may get some ideas.
4. Next ask the students to draw their idea for a pinch pot sculpture
5. When creating the clay sculpture, be sure to emphasis the scoring (scratching of the clay surface), wetting with slip or water and smoothing the connected areas of clay.
6. Follow the steps outlined in the video.