

# Artist-in-residence piques student's interest

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For many of us, clay is little more than lumpy gray goo that's better left in the hands of children — or of professionals who have the talent to make the end result not lean, wilt or otherwise fall apart once it comes out of a kiln.

Cheryl Carson is one of those pros. Her skill with pottery has led her to open her own shop and several teaching stints, including a three week assignment as an artist-in-residence at Huntley Hills Elementary School in Chamblee. She will be resuming the role for an additional three weeks in January.

"I love both my worlds," Ms. Carson said. "I love my studio work and I love teaching.

Everyone is a success in my class. Kids aren't afraid to make mistakes."

Ms. Carson's residency at Huntley Hills, where she has worked with each of the school's 250 students, was arranged by the Georgia Council for the Arts, who also placed her in an artist-in-residence program in Marietta last spring.

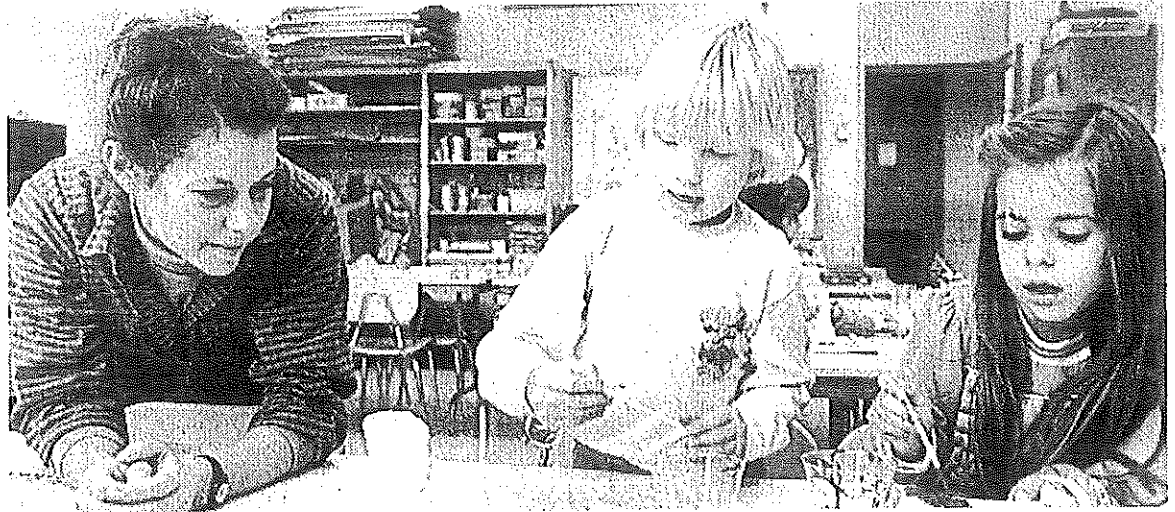
"The schools I work with have a very on the ball and caring PTA," Ms. Carson said. "They almost have to go through a review process themselves to be involved in the program. So they've been very supportive from the beginning."

The 41-year-old potter has also taught in adult programs for the the Fulton County Arts Council, the Chastain Arts Center and the

Abernathy Arts Council. Ms. Carson also exhibits her works in local and national juried shows, and makes custom-designed porcelain works, which are sold to both large corporations and smaller businesses.

When she returns to Huntley Hills in January, Ms. Carson said she will have new projects to excite and interest the students of the school when she returns in January. This month they worked with slab pencil holders and mobiles which were fired and glazed.

"Part of it is going in with the right projects," Ms. Carson said. "I've learned over the years which ones are successful and which ones aren't."



Staff photo by Donna Williams

**DIFFERENT LOOK:** Huntley Hills Elementary School artist-in-residence Cheryl Carson gives students a different perspective on art.

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*School to be dedicated at Chamblee*

## New Huntley Hill School dedication set for Sunday

Another new school in the, Huntley Hills School at 2112 p.m. Oct. 4, with Supt. Jim half-million dollar class will be Seaman Circle, Chamblee, built Cherry and Chairman Weldon dedicated in DeKalb County at a cost of \$474,101, will be Shows, of DeKalb School Board as speakers. Sunday. the scene of ceremonies at 3

Enrollment at the new school is 481. Pupils attending the new elementary school addition to the DeKalb School System formerly were enrolled at Sexton Woods, Hightower and Doraville Schools.

Principal J. W. Massengale has invited the public to attend the dedication ceremonies and to inspect the school.

There are 16 classrooms, a library, a lunch-assembly hall and offices in the new building.