







Greek Vase

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Medium: Pottery/Ceramics

Artist Statement:

Over the last couple of years I have been exploring the ceramics field, researching and experimenting, pushing my limits and have found great success. As a student I look to do what's never been done before, relatively, and pursue greatness. With the completion of the vase I've been working on, not only have I accomplished my goals, but pushed the boundaries for what can be achieved by myself and those around me.

Description:

This is an original one of a kind vase made by combining ancient and modern techniques, as well as history, and mythology. On one side of the vase we have Thetis, Achilles mother, holding him by the ankle as a baby dipping him in the river Styx which symbolizes his legendary upbringing and the beginning of his story in Greek mythology. On the other side we have Achilles as a grown man, armed for battle, and kneeling with an arrow piercing his Achilles tendon. As the story goes, the only part of his body that wasn't submerged in the river Styx, his ankle, was the only place where he was vulnerable to die.

As for the glaze, we have the traditional Greek color scheme wrapping the vase, however, on the rim going inside the neck of the vase we have a modern touch we like to call feathering. Running multicolored slip-glaze down the surface of a pot. On the bottom we have a black base coat with my endemic signature in the shape of Yin-Yang.

Status: Sell