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Ashwaubenon High School Welcomes Artist Richard Hirsch For Lecture And Demonstration

Ashwaubenon, WI – February 22, 2012 – On Thursday February 23rd, Ashwaubenon High School welcomes ceramic artist Richard Hirsch, who will share images of his abstract vessels and sculptures and, discuss the inspiration behind this body of work. The event is intended to foster a high level of interaction between a contemporary artist and AHS art students exploring their role in the art world. The lecture and demonstration takes place from 9:25 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. on Thursday at AHS, 2391 S. Ridge Road.

Students currently enrolled in art classes at Ashwaubenon High will not only experience the visual transformation of an artist from the emerging stage, to experienced artist, to influential educator, but will also participate in a demonstration of skills and processes unique to Hirsch's work. Currently, Hirsch teaches at the School for American Crafts, College of Imaging Arts and Sciences at the Rochester Institute of Technology. He co-authored the book *Raku* in 1975, published by Watson-Guptill.

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