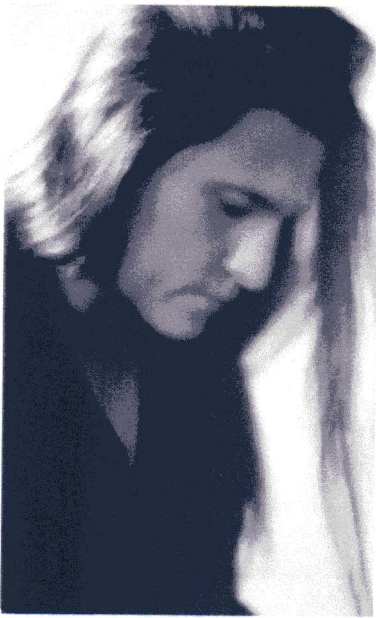
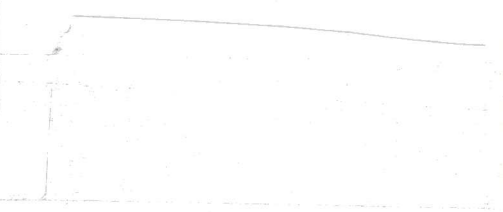


Anasazi Figures  
*by*



**Gary Gutierrez**  
*Santa Clara Pueblo*



### About the Artist

Gary Gutierrez is an award-winning American Indian artist who has honed his pottery skills without art schools. Born and raised in Santa Clara Pueblo, Gary has been crafting his distinctive figures since the age of fourteen. His family includes such noted potters as

Lela and Van Gutierrez, Margaret and Luther Gutierrez and parents, Paul and Dorothy Gutierrez. Self-taught, Gary has found trial and error to be his best teacher.

*"Whatever his philosophy, he is rapidly achieving a solid reputation as a talented potter."*

*Nancy Gillespie - The New Mexican*

Inspired by his pueblo traditions, Gary's unique style developed through his fascination with movement, silhouette and tone.

Using only traditional materials and techniques, which include native clay, water sanding, stone polishing and native outdoor firing, his work features a distinctive fluid design that is far from ordinary and mysteriously appealing.

*"He concentrates on achieving perfection in each piece and is less concerned with mass production and media appeal."*

*Nancy Gillespie - The New Mexican*

In his own words, "I consider myself a student first, and my work evolves as I continue to learn more about creating. Pottery has developed my sense of creativity and allowed me to explore areas I might not otherwise have pushed myself to do. The best part about working with clay is the harmony and balance between heart and hands."

Since making his first figures, Gary has earned respect from his peers and his collectors.

On August 17, 1985, the Southwestern Association for Indian Arts in Santa Fe, awarded fifty-one honors to Indian artists for their excellence and contributions to Native American art. At seventeen, Gutierrez was awarded Best of Classification and Best of Division. Also, Gary was the youngest recipient of the Bank of Santa Fe's Special Student Award, an honor given to encourage young Indian artists to continue their profound influences on Native American art for future generations.

Today, Gary resides in the growing city of Santa Fe where he continues his endeavors with clay. His work can be seen in numerous Native American art galleries throughout the southwest. He also has museum, private and international collectors.

### National Publications

Chicago Art Magazine, July Edition, J.P. Kinney, 1986  
Potterytellers and Other Figurative Pottery, Douglas Congdon-Lartin, 1990

Fourteen Families of Pueblo Pottery, Rick Dillingham, 1994  
Southwestern Pottery, Allan Hayes & John Blom, 1996  
Collections of Southwestern Pottery, Allan Hayes & John Blom, 1998

Pueblo and Navajo Contemporary Pottery, Guy Berger & Nancy Schiffer, 2000

Pueblo Indian Pottery, Gregory Schaaf, 2000

### Awards

#### 1985

Best of Classification, Pottery Figures, Santa Fe Indian Market, NM  
Best of Division, Pottery Figures, Santa Fe Indian Market, NM  
First Award, Pottery Figures, Santa Fe Indian Market, NM  
Bank of Santa Fe's Special Student Award, Santa Fe, NM  
First Premium, Figure, New Mexico State Fair, Albuquerque, NM

#### 1986

Second Award, Black Burnished Pottery, Santa Fe Indian Market, NM  
Third Award, Black Burnished Pottery, Santa Fe Indian Market, NM  
First Premium, Bowl or Jar, New Mexico State Fair, Albuquerque, NM  
First Premium, Other Forms, New Mexico State Fair, Albuquerque, NM

#### 1988

First Award, Pottery Figures, Santa Fe Indian Market, NM  
Second Premium, Figure, New Mexico State Fair, Albuquerque, NM

#### 1990

First Award, Pottery Figures, Santa Fe Indian Market, NM

#### 1992

Second Place, Pottery Figures, Santa Fe Indian Market, NM

#### 1997

First Place, Miniature Pottery Figures, Santa Fe Indian Market, NM  
Second Place, Pottery Figures, Santa Fe Indian Market, NM

#### 1998

Best of Division, Miniature Pottery Figures, Santa Fe Indian Market, NM  
First Place, Pottery Figures, Santa Fe Indian Market, NM

#### 1999

First Place, Pottery Figures, Santa Fe Indian Market, NM  
First Place, Pottery Figures, Santa Fe Indian Market, NM

#### 2000

Best of Division, Miniature Pottery Figures, Santa Fe Indian Market, NM  
First Place, Pottery Figures, Santa Fe Indian Market, NM  
First Place, Pottery Figures, Santa Fe Indian Market, NM

#### 2001

First Place, Multiple Pottery Figures, Santa Fe Indian Market, NM  
First Place, Nativity Pottery Figures, Santa Fe Indian Market, NM  
Second Place, Miniature Pottery Figures, Santa Fe Indian Market, NM

#### 2002

First Place, Multiple Pottery Figures, Santa Fe Indian Market, NM  
First Place, Miniature Pottery Figures, Santa Fe Indian Market, NM  
Second Place, Carved Pottery Figures, Santa Fe Indian Market, NM

#### 2003

First Place, Multiple Pottery Figures, Santa Fe Indian Market, NM