

# Gary Locati

*"One day, I decided to take a clay class...and as they say...the rest is history!"*

Retirement brought Gary and his wife, Dyanne, to Sun City West, Arizona. Being Snowbirds for the past ten years, the artistic couple are now permanent residents of Arizona. Most of Gary's working life was owning and operating grocery stores and flipping houses.

During the summers in Oregon, Gary realized that he missed working with clay and decided to build his own clay studio. Selling his new creations turned into a new business and he spent many summers selling his art at farmers markets and stores around the Portland area.

Gary's work is very distinguishable by its functionality and his tried-and-true color choice. He developed his style through many years of working with clay and the response of the many people that own his creations. Many repeat sells are from customers that want to continue filling their dishware sets.

*"Moving to Arizona allowed me to explore the many activities and opportunities available after retiring."*

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