Meaghan Belcher, Senior Show

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Artist Statement

My work is focused around light and how it shines through the negative space in my sculptures. The purpose of making light pieces is to create a work of art that appeals to the viewer but is also functional. My work varies in the design of the negative space. Although the form of my sculptures are similar, I add negative space using geometric shapes and circles. I design each piece considering how the light will create shadows in a pattern on the walls. When viewing my art I would like people to envision these sculptures in their home as a creative way to add light to their own living space.

For the majority of my light pieces, I use porcelain casting slip and plaster molds to create the form. However, some are hand built using molds and stoneware. I chose domes and spheres for the form because of the way they emit light evenly in every direction. I also find them interesting to look at and flexible when creating different designs. I chose porcelain casting slip because I wanted my glazes to stay as true to their color as possible. Since I wanted to keep the focus of my work on light I limited myself to doing a very simple glaze on the surface. Lastly, I kept my pieces fairly small in scale so that they would be lightweight and easily portable.
1. Dome with various holes
2. Flower dome
3. Small lamp 1
4. Small lamp 2
5. Triangle globe
6. Mandala dome
7. Geometric dome
8. Globe with tree