

Studio DeSimoneWayland

Ceramic Wall Compositions & Artistic Ceramics

About the Studio

Studio DeSimoneWayland, founded by Italian artist Marcello De Simone and American artist Bruce Wayland, is based in Amsterdam and active since 2010. Their practice explores ceramics through a unique fusion of form, fabric, and narrative.

Drawing from the history of tableware, they transform ceramic plates into sculptural and textured compositions. Their work often includes elements of embroidered or antique textiles, introducing layers of memory, heritage, and tactility.

Bruce Wayland studied Art History, and has a BA degree from the University of The State of New York – 1993

Marcello De Simone studied Fine Arts, and has a BA in Painting & Art History from the Accademia delle Belle Arti, Bologna– 1990

Signature Collections:

- **Altered Perspectives**

A series where oil on canvas imagery is fragmented across ceramic forms, merging paintings and antique tableware into dimensional collages. Each composition plays with perception and scale, combining contemporary themes with historical materials.

- **Altered Histories**

Digitally crafted ceramic transfers reinterpreting historical tableware patterns and paintings are applied to hand cast ceramic plates which reproduce the texture of the Altered Perspectives series.

- **From a Different Cloth**

Ceramic works cast with textile textures—lace, burlap, antique linens—offering a soft, sculptural quality to stoneware slip cast pieces, in an array of colours created by combining high firing pigments and stains

- **Soft Porcelain**

Fine Mont Blanc porcelain cast with impressions of antique textiles and monograms, evoking family memory and heritage. The effect is soft and draped, suspended between sculpture and memory.

Selected Projects

- **Hamptons Residence, 2025**

Wall installation of hand-cast Mont Blanc porcelain plates featuring custom monograms. Composition aligns with interior architectural details and wallpaper.

- **Homo Faber Exhibition, Venice, 2024**

Soft Porcelain installation featured in *The Journey of Life*, curated by Luca Guadagnino. A poetic panel of ~50 porcelain pieces referencing family and legacy.

- **Luxury Hotel, Cyprus, 2023–2026**
Two installations blending Lefkara lace and linen textures in white porcelain.
- **Luxury Hotel, Arizona, 2024–2025**
Five wall compositions in coloured stoneware from the *From a Different Cloth* series. Each group features textile textures in dynamic forms.
- **Luxury Hotel, Antwerp, 2023–2024**
Reception wall installations featuring burlap-textured plates in custom stoneware colours.
- **Buckhead Grand Hyatt, Atlanta, 2024**
Two *Altered Perspectives* artworks inspired by Cassis, combining hand-painted views with antique transfer-ware plates.
- **Andaz Macau, 2020–2021**
- Four meter long decorative panel with European and Oriental influences referencing trade routes, marine scenes, and blue-and-white ceramics.
- **Jordan Winery, California, 2021**
Parisian-themed *Altered Perspectives* commission for guest suites.
- **Brücke 49, Switzerland, 2019–2021**
Alpine-themed *Altered Perspectives* and bespoke porcelain compositions.
- **Walt Disney's Grand Californian Hotel, 2017**
3-meter wall piece featuring hand-painted Disney artwork and handmade plates—an homage to *Brother Bear's* redwood landscapes.

Visual Merchandising & Showroom Collaborations

- **Plain English Showroom, NYC**
Custom *From a Different Cloth* installation in porcelain to complement interior colour palette.
- **Laura Pozzi Studio (Miniforms, MM Lampadari, Veneta Cucine)**
Ceramic panels used in editorial and visual merchandising productions.

Exhibitions 2010-2024

- **XVI Biennial Internacional de Ceràmica de Manises** - 14 June/16 September, 2024
- **Homo Faber: The Journey of Life** - Venice - 1-30 September 2024
- **100% Design** - London - 18-21 September, 2019 (solo exhibition)
- **Argillà** - Faenza 31 August - 2 September, 2018 (solo exhibition)
- **Salone del Mobile** - Milan 12 - 17 April, 2016
- **Meesterlijk 2015** - Amsterdam Westergasfabriek 27 - 29 November, 2015
- **Open Dagen Menno Kroon** - Cothen 29 May - 8 June, 2015

- **Galerie Judy Straten** - Horst 25 April - 15 September, 2015
- **Salone del Mobile/Ventura Lambrate** - Milan 14 - 19 April, 2015 (solo exhibition)
- **MiArt/Object** in collaboration with Galerie Judy Straten - Milan 10 - 12 April, 2015
- **Cor Unum Mobile Gallery - DDW** Eindhoven 18 - 26 October, 2014
- **Kleurenfestival Menno Kroon** - Cothen 23 May - 2 June, 2014
- **Salone del Mobile/Ventura Lambrate** - Milan 8 - 13 April, 2014 (solo exhibition)
- **The Collection** - Paris 7 - 30 September, 2013 (solo exhibition)
- **AIR 8 Art in the Red Light** - Oude Kerk Amsterdam 20 - 23 September 2012