

Allen Aragon, Albuquerque, New Mexico

Navajo

Miniature Pots and Silversmithing



Allen is an acclaimed Navajo artist, creating miniature pottery and jewelry that is highly celebrated by collectors of Native American art throughout the United States and beyond. His miniature pots are created in the traditional ways but he has developed his own style, combining ideas from Navajo, Hopi and Acoma art. His jewelry is unlike any other. He creates intricate painting on miniature pieces of pottery and embeds the pottery with sterling silver.

Born in Ganado, Arizona, he was raised on a ranch near Chaco Canyon. Allen would

go monthly to weaving auctions with his mother, an accomplished weaver. Surrounded by art, he became fascinated with the pottery that the Acoma women were bringing to sell. His passion turned to miniature pots and silversmithing. His innovative ideas and passions led him to the union of pottery and jewelry, creating a whole new genre of works. His skillful hand has taken traditional Navajo and Pueblo themes and used them in a fresh and innovative approach.

2015 awards include:

Briscoe Western Art Museum – Museum Staff Award.

New Mexico State Fair -Best in Show.

SWAIS – Santa Fe Indian Market - 1st Place (miniature pot).

Native Treasures Santa Fe - Best of Preview (miniature pot).

Southwest Indian Art Fair - Award of Excellence (jewelry).

Heard Museum - 2nd place (miniature pot) and 2nd Place (concho belt).

Many more awards and honors from 1998 to the present are available on his website.

