DEPARTMENT OF SCULPTURE

SCULPTURE: SAFETY PROCEDURES

The student safety procedures must be read and signed on the first day of your class

Safety must be a primary consideration for all persons working with chemicals. Work can be carried out safely if students follow the appropriate procedures and precautions. Students have the responsibility of learning and understanding the appropriate safety procedures for the work being conducted. Further, each student has an obligation to consult the instructor for help when safety procedures or instructions are not clear. The following general procedures must be observed:

1. Before beginning the first session, your instructor will show you the location and proper procedures for the use of the safety shower and eye-wash station (if applicable), as well as the emergency exits.

2. If you need to use the safety shower or eye wash station, flush affected area for a minimum of 15 minutes with large amounts of water.

3. Eating, drinking and/or smoking in class is strongly discouraged in order to avoid accidental ingestion or exposure of toxic materials.

4. Suitable personal protective equipment (i.e. goggles, gloves) should always be worn when handling or operating the welding equipment, and all other tools and equipment in the studio which require safety protection.

5. Wear appropriate PPE to protect against flux, spray paint and/or polyester resin fumes; a dust mask is recommended to avoid the inhalation of particulate matter such as saw dust or plaster dust.

6. Uphold the proper maintenance of all tools and equipment in the studio.

7. NEVER operate a tool or piece of equipment until you have first been given the necessary safety instructions by your instructor.

8. Avoid slipping and tripping hazards by practicing good housekeeping and making sure to wipe-up spills immediately, and being cautious about the items left on the floor which can pose a potential tripping hazard.

9. Before waste is generated, your instructor will show you the proper waste containers. Use only containers designated for that purpose and make sure the container you use is the correct one. NEVER dispose of any chemicals down the drain or put them into the regular trash.

10. Report any accident, injury, illness and/or safety hazard(s), however minor, to your instructor immediately.

11. Small fires can usually be extinguished by smothering. Fire extinguishers should be used only by trained personnel. Use them only if you are confident that you will be successful, and you know the proper procedures to safely use them.

12. Expectant mothers/nursing mothers: chemical solvents are known to cause birth defects or other reproductive harm. Avoid exposure to any solvents or hazardous materials.

For more safety-related information, visit: http://www.calstatela.edu/univ/ehs

I have read and understood the safety procedures listed above and will work in accordance with these safety procedures.

Date: ____________  Term: ____________  Student CIN No.: __________________

Course No.: _______  Section: _______  Instructor: ____________________________

Print Name: ____________________________  Signature: _________________________