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### **Keynote Lecture: My Melting Pot**

Jean Girel, Ceramist, Master of Art (France)

### **BIOGRAPHY**

Born in the mountains of Savoie in 1947, Jean Girel started making pottery at the age of ten. His studies at the Fine Arts School in Macon, followed by a degree in plastic arts in Paris, led him to become a painter and teacher. The discovery of Chinese ceramics from the Song period revealed to him the evidence of his vocation; he then decided to devote himself exclusively to ceramics from 1975. His last kiln, the Girel 3E, bears witness to his ecological awareness and his commitment to education in this field. Appointed Master of Art in June 2000, Chevalier des Arts et Lettres in 2007 and Permanent Advisor of Celadon for China in 2018, Jean Girel is listed on the Inventory of Intangible Cultural Heritage of the Ministry of Culture.