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### **Member Lecture: The Metaverse of Clay: Material in an Immaterial World**

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#### **BIOGRAPHY**

Dr. Shabanali Ghorbani was born in Karaj City, Iran in 1976. He is currently a faculty member at the School of Crafts, Art University of Isfahan (AUI). He received his master's degree from the Tehran University of Arts in 2010 and completed his doctoral study and received his PhD in Ceramic Art and Design Education at the Art University of Isfahan in 2016. He has been working in the verity of techniques and styles during the past 20 years of working with ceramics, from architectural ceramics to utilitarian wares and sculptures. In his new works, including "Childhood" and "the Inner Child" series he is trying to gain a new visual language, meaning and value and also explore hidden angles and levels of his work as an artist. He is the winner of several art prizes including the first award of the 10<sup>th</sup> Biennial of Contemporary Ceramic Art of Iran in especial techniques category, Tehran and Semnan (2010), Certificate and Recognition of Excellence in Crafts from Iranian Cultural Heritage and Crafts Organization, Tehran (2014) and Certificate of Appreciation from the 4th Fadjr International Festival of Visual Arts, Tehran (2011).