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ACC Journal Guidelines

The following conditions are presented both as guidelines and as prerequisites to publication in the *ACC Journal*. If you have received a grant, the grant conditions remain applicable. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact a member of the Journal Committee.

The papers submitted must be based on original research. The *ACC Journal* will not accept papers that have been published elsewhere, either on paper or in electronic form.

1. Submission of a Paper

- Before submitting a full paper authors are encouraged to hand in a one-page synopsis of their work outlining how their paper will expand the research in their area of ceramics history (e.g. unpublished objects/archaeology/documents, how it builds on previous scholarship, etc.).
- Papers considered for publication in *ACC Journal XX* must be submitted by **January 13, 2018** (the second Friday in January).
- Please type your paper using Microsoft Word. Papers should not be more than 20 double-spaced pages (max. 5500 words), excluding notes and illustrations. Shorter papers are welcome.
- Submit your paper via email to the ACC Journal Committee Chairman, Vanessa Sigalas, at: journal@americanceramiccircle.org

All submissions are reviewed by an editorial board. The board reserves the right to reject articles that do not fall within the scope of the *Journal's* mission, which is to promote scholarship and original research in the history, use, and preservation of ceramics of all kinds, periods, and origins. A paper will not be accepted if any of the required elements (abstract, text, biography, images and their captions) do not accompany its submission. Copyright for all papers will remain with the authors.

2. Abstract

At the beginning of the paper, write a 50- to 100-word summary of the paper's content and premise.

3. Biography

End your paper with a few autobiographical sentences (see past issues for examples).



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4. Document Formatting

Please do not try to make the paper look “published” by coding in special layout and type features, or inserting images, which complicate preparing it for publication.

5. General Style / Spelling of Ceramic Terms

- Spelling should be in American English.
- Conform writing to the preferred spelling in *Merriam-Webster’s Collegiate Dictionary* (11th edition) and the preferred style in *Chicago Manual of Style* (16th edition).
- All foreign terms should be italicized unless they are in the dictionary, which indicates they have been accepted into American usage.
- Always use italics instead of underlining *except* when you are citing a source that has used underlining, as in a handwritten letter.
- If you are in doubt about the spelling of ceramic terms **not** included in *Webster’s* or the *CMS*, please contact the ACC Journal Committee Chairman, at: journal@americanceramiccircle.org

6. Endnotes

Please use endnotes instead of footnotes, but with Arabic rather than Roman numerals. All references to publications and the like should appear in full (including place of publication and publisher) only once within the notes. Subsequent references should use a short form: surname of author, short title, and page reference. Please consult the *CMS* for details.

7. Illustrations

- Illustrations are limited to 20 images per article.
- All illustrations should be in digital format.
- The image must be at least 5 x 7 inches at 300 dpi (dots/pixels per inch) *in its original form*, and at least 600 dpi for images with rasterized text (newsprint, for example) and/or finely detailed logos and line art. If the file shows that the image is less than 300 dpi, do not simply change the dpi to 300.
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- Send illustrations to Vanessa Sigalas, at: journal@americanceramiccircle.org. If emailed, image files must not exceed 5MB.
- Larger image files should be sent through a sharing system (e.g. WeTransfer, Dropbox, Hightail, etc.). On request, images also can be submitted on CD-ROM.
- If any illustration is not yet in hand, submit a scan or photocopy of the image and prepare its caption, so the review, editing, and design process is not stalled.
- Requesting and securing permission to reproduce illustrations is the author's responsibility. Before submitting illustrations, permission must be secured **for both print and web publication**.

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When writing captions, consult the following rules for content and format. Every image should have a collection credit, a photo credit, or both. If you are submitting hand-drawn illustrations (diagrams, etc.), provide illustrator credit.

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Artist, Author, or Maker (please provide life dates if it is a person)

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For ceramic objects:

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2. Plate, soft-paste porcelain, Worcester Factory, Worcester, England, 1768–70, unmarked, Diam. 8 3/4 in. (22.4 cm), private collection, photo: Bonhams, London.
3. *The Draw Well*, transfer print by Robert Hancock on a Worcester soft-paste porcelain sucrier base, ca. 1770, H. 2 3/4 in. (7 cm), photo: courtesy Field McIntyre.

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1. *A New Plan of Ye Great Town of BOSTON in New England in AMERICA*, black-and-white line engraving on laid paper, William Price (active 1725–69), Boston, Massachusetts, 1769, Library of Congress, Geography and Map Division, G3764.B6 1769 P.7.
2. *The Right Honourable William Pitt Esq.^r*, portrait engraving by R. Houston after William Hoare of Bath (c. 1707-1792) and printed for J. Ryall at Hogarth's Head in Fleet Street, London, England, 1754, © The Trustees of the British Museum, London, 1902,1011.2687.
3. Henry Fonda as Tom Joad from the 1940 film version of *The Grapes of Wrath* by John Steinbeck (1902-1968), photo: 20th Century-Fox/Getty Images, courtesy Archive Photos/Stringer.



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Timetable and Deadlines for ACC Journal, Volume XX, for Approved Papers

Before the end of March 2018: The Committee reads all papers for content and clarity, and the copy editor reads them for organization and presentation.

By April 1, 2018: Papers are returned to the authors with suggestions from the Committee and the copy editor.

By April 30, 2018: Authors send their revised papers to the Journal Chair with suggested changes incorporated.

By May 15, 2018: Papers are sent to external readers, who are specialists on the subject of the paper. The readers will remain anonymous to the authors, as will the authors to the readers (the copy editor will have removed biographical information).

By June 30, 2018: The readers submit their reactions and remarks to the Committee. Comments from the readers will be in the form of a letter, rather than edited corrections.

By July 15, 2018: If further changes are required, the paper is returned to its author with pertinent comments from the reader, the Committee, and/or the copy editor.

By August 15, 2018: The authors return their papers to the Journal Chair with the additional suggested changes incorporated. They are then reviewed by the copy editor, and sent to the graphic designer.

Early February 2019: The authors, the Committee, and the copy editor proofread and approve the final layout.

Spring/summer 2019: The *Journal* is mailed to the authors, the ACC membership, and other subscribers.