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Frankoma Christmas Memorial Plates

In 1965, John Frank, Artist and Founder of Frankoma Pottery, started the modeling of an annual Christmas Plate. They were inspired by the Christmas story and the fact that the life of Christ has been the inspiration of more "Art" in all of its mediums, than any one subject in the history of the world. The subject matter, compositions, and resources are unlimited. A self imposed demand was that every plate should have a scriptural background for each years renderings. No other pottery to our knowledge has attempted such an annual commemorative plate in the history of America.

They are done in low relief, with sharp enough detail, and sufficient good modeling as to make each plate a treasured piece of sculpture, as well as tell a story relative to Christmas time and the life of Christ. They are done only in a semi-translucent "Della Robbia" white glaze. The plate is 81/2 inches in diameter; the master mold is signed by Mr. Frank and copyrighted. The production is limited to those that are actually sold up till about the 10th of December. The master mold is destroyed on Christmas eve, and there are none made after that-neither are any made for stock or sale after Christmas. Naturally the edition is limited to that year.

These plates are introduced in early spring and only sold through Frankoma Pottery dealers, for it was created as a bonus for their participation and selling



"The Annunciation"

\$4.50 each \$5.00 boxed

"King of Kings"



1971 "No Room in the Inn"



1972 "Seeking The Christ Child"

Frankoma Pottery. Over 4,000 accounts in all 50 states, as well as Grace Lee's Frankoma Pottery Shop at the plant, handle the plates. We have tried to keep the price very reasonable so that more people can afford to own them, collect and enjoy them.

We hope they will be a spiritual inspiration and reminder of the lasting values of the scriptures, and a blessing to all those who possess them.

Past Issues No Longer Available From Factory



1973 is the second in a series of five plates being made by Frankoma Pottery, Inc., to celebrate the 200 years of American Independence.

We believe this series of five is the only series of its kind being produced in America, and significantly, is being produced from American clay, - yes, from Oklahoma soil. They are also being priced so reasonably that most Americans can afford to collect them and proudly own them.

The next three will portray significant events relative to the wars for Independence. On the back of the plates are "Patriots – Leaders"

signatures of the signers of the Declaration of Independence. We believe the set of five will eventually be one of the great treasures of collectors throughout the United States. Keep in mind where this plate was purchased so you can look forward in subsequent years to adding to your collection. There will only be five and the molds will be destroyed every New Year's eve for the plates produced that year. If they can't be purchased in your local community they can always be purchased from Grace Lee's Frankoma Pottery Shop at the factory.