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Wheeling Heritage Hosts Its First Online Art Auction

WHEELING, W.Va. – Nov. 13, 2020 – Wheeling Heritage’s first online art auction, The Art of Giving, will feature more than 25 works by artists who have a connection to the organization as well as new artists from across the Ohio Valley.

The online auction will begin on Friday, Dec. 4, at noon and continue through Monday, Dec. 7, at 8 p.m. at wheelingheritage.org/artofgiving. Participants can bid online using their phones, tablets or computers. Participants can browse local art, place bids and receive text message updates when they are outbid on an item.

Many of the artists whose works will be presented in the online auction include those who have sold their artwork through the Artisan Center Shop or have participated in previous Wheeling Heritage exhibitions and programming. Participating artists include local favorites Bob Villamagna, Logan Schmitt and Cecy Rose, plus many more.

A variety of art mediums will be available, including paintings, ceramics, prints, mixed media and more.

Proceeds from the auction will be split, half and half, with the artists, unless it is noted that they have donated 100% of the proceeds to Wheeling Heritage.

“It’s part of our mission to support arts in Wheeling. While this is an important fundraiser for Wheeling Heritage, we also wanted to ensure we are supporting our artist community by splitting proceeds with those who participate in the event,” said Alex Weld, executive director of Wheeling Heritage. “Many artists rely on exhibitions and events to sell their works, and as they’ve faced new challenges this year, we hope the Art of Giving benefits them as well.”

If any artists are still interested in submitting their artwork for this event, they should contact Alex Panas, Communications and Development Manager, at apanas@wheelingheritage.org by Nov. 27.

For more information, visit wheelingheritage.org/artofgiving.

About Wheeling Heritage:

[Wheeling Heritage](http://WheelingHeritage.org) is a catalyst for the revitalization of Wheeling. Through historic preservation, community development, and the arts, we help to tell Wheeling’s story and shape its future. We seek to improve the quality of life in Wheeling by preserving and investing in our city, collaborating with others, and engaging the citizens of Wheeling in our work.