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"Handmade Holiday" To Be Held at Artisan Center on Dec. 4

WHEELING, W.Va. – Dec. 29, 2021 – Wheeling Heritage will host its third Handmade Holiday on Saturday, Dec. 4 on the third floor of the Wheeling Artisan Center. The event will run from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and will feature 35 juried artists selling their work. Admission is free.

Handmade Holiday is inspired by the independent craft fair movement throughout the country. The event strives to establish a marketplace of unique and creative handmade goods that supports local artists, while increasing awareness about handmade, locally produced craft goods and processes.

"We're excited to be able to host Handmade Holiday this year after having to cancel in 2020 due to the pandemic," said Alex Panas, Wheeling Heritage communications manager. "We have several new and returning artists who each offer something unique for shoppers to discover. Whether you are looking for original artwork, jewelry, holiday decorations, there will certainly be something for everyone."

Wheeling Heritage will provide free hot chocolate and coffee for attendees throughout the day. Attendees who make purchases from at least five vendors will be entered into a raffle to receive a \$50 gift card to the Wheeling Artisan Center Shop.

"This is a great opportunity to do some Christmas shopping while supporting local makers," Panas said. "There's a lot to be said about keeping your holiday spending local, especially since so many artists were not able to sell at in-person markets over the last year and half. We're expecting a great turnout this year and are ready to spread some holiday cheer."

The artists participating in the event include:

A Frayed Knot (handmade macrame pieces)

Adeline Renee Handmade (crocheted blankets and sewn items)

Angela Hawk (fresh Christmas wreaths and handmade ornaments)

Angi D*signs (upcycled jewelry, accessories and artwork)

Annie's Hands (wood bowls, ornaments, etc.)

Apartment Two Art (soy candles, wax melts and bath bombs)

Appalachian Moon Designs (embroidered hoop art)

Ashton Woods Studio (hand-knitted items)

b.woven (macramé wall hangings and woven items)

Barbara Bland (vintage jewelry Christmas trees)



C&C Denim (upcycled denim jackets)

Colleen's Crafty Creations (soaps, body products and crocheted items)

East Wheeling Clayworks (pottery)

Funky Ceramics (hand built and wheel thrown ceramic vessels)

Hanna's Clay Creations (handcrafted ceramics)

Hawke Design Shop (handmade woven wall hangings and signs)

Iridescence Jewelry (upcycled vintage and steampunk jewelry)

Jekyll and Plaid (crocheted wearables)

Lambros Tsuhlares (pottery)

Lindsay's Hometown Sweets n' Treats (fresh baked goods)

Little One Crystal (crystals and jewelry)

Liz Hastings (upcycled game and toy jewelry and accessories)

Logan Schmitt Illustration (screen-prints)

Lone Stone Designs (sterling silver wire wrapped jewelry)

Lynn Allan Designs (river glass art)

MEM Squad (T-shirts, tote bags and accessories)

Quiet Nook Cottage Crafts (jewelry, ornaments and home décor)

Rachel Dennison (original paintings and reproductions)

Rust Belt Stained Glass Works (stained glass ornaments, panels and suncatchers)

Shapeless Flame (painting, illustration, stickers)

Stone House Pottery (ceramics)

The Blended Homestead (cutting boards and crocheted blankets)

The Painter's Nest (watercolor paintings and mugs)

Wanderland Creations (clay jewelry and accessories)

Witty Voyager (jewelry, ornaments and wall art)

About Wheeling Heritage:

<u>Wheeling Heritage</u> 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.