

HANDMADE HOLIDAY

The Academy's Craft as Gift Show opens November 24-26



It's time to get your holiday shopping list in shape: Handmade Holiday: Craft as Gift Show opens on Friday, November 24 at the Spencertown Academy.

This beloved regional event will continue on Saturday and Sunday, November 25 and 26 from 10am to 4pm and again on Saturday and Sunday, December 2 and 3.

Going local

"Handmade Holiday is a wonderful opportunity for holiday gift shoppers and art lovers to 'go local' at a high-quality sale

that features an amazing selection of items," says Vivian Wachsberger, chair of the Handmade Holiday Committee. Items, all made by Columbia, Ulster, and Berkshire area craftspersons, include jewelry, apparel, quilts, children's toys, cutting boards, baskets, ceramics, tin sconces, paper crafts,



birdhouses, soaps and lotions, holiday ornaments and evergreen swags, plus edibles such as jellies, toffees, fudge and sugarplums.

"We even have homemade dog biscuits and catnip pillows," Vivian says.

New faces and old

Shoppers can choose from crafts and artwork by more than 40 regional artists and artisans, about a third of whom are new.

This year's participants include Sue Anderson, Andrea Angerame, Martha Belardo, Lisa Bouchard, Michael Boyer, Mike Brenner,



Diane and Bill Brynda, Kay Castelle, Annette Chambers, Maria Crespo, Frances Culley, Pamela Dalton, MaryAnne Davis, Bina Evans, John Fiorillo, Sandy Flavin, Walter Fleming, Joyce Flower, Lisa Goodman, Ulrike Grannis, Patricia Gravett, Sarah Haze, Ali Hermann, Betsy Howard, Sharon Koomler, Agnes Larcenaire, Susan Levine, Eryn Madonia, Marley Mills, Bill Morency, Clarke Olsen, Alicia Peck, Fritz Platt, Elizabeth Post, Barbara Rosenthal, Melissa Shinsato, Alexis Silver, Leni Singerman, Frank Spina, Sabrina Tranchita, Vivian Wachsberger, Fahari Wambura, Barbara Willner, and Betsy Winters-Russell



what's coming up

HANDMADE HOLIDAY

Curated craft and gift show sale featuring items by 40+ local artisans and artists.

Friday-Sunday, November 24-26 and December 2-3, 10am-4pm
See article, this page.

Holiday Crafts

Beginning Needle Felting Workshop With Martha Belardo of Hudson Valley Fiber Arts

Saturday, December 9, noon-4pm
Ages 13 and up - \$65 per person - includes materials and refreshments
pre-register at spencertownacademy.org

Revels

Annual Winter Revels party and dinners Support the Academy while enjoying a festive evening of great food and friends
Saturday January 27, 2018
Watch for details.

Austerlitz Bicentennial

Celebrating our community's history
Saturday, June 9, 2018
Watch for details.

Hidden Gardens ²⁰¹⁸

Saturday, June 16, 2018
Lecture & breakfast: 8:30-10am
Garden market: 9am-3pm
Self-guided tour: 10am-4pm
Watch for details.

spencertownacademy.org/events

Lend a hand! If you'd like to volunteer at Handmade Holiday, please email volunteer@spencertownacademy.org.



Crowning Achievement



The first stage of an extensive and long-needed restoration of the Academy's 1847 building began in September. Working from the top down, workers began replacing the roof and reconstructing the bell tower, cornice and chimney. As work continues in the new year, the Academy will launch the public phase of its building campaign. Details will be announced in January.