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2023 Holiday Gift Shop

Application

The 2023 Holiday Gift Shop is open to artists and crafters presenting handmade items. We are looking for: woodwork, toys/games, clothing accessories (hats, purses, wallets, vests, ties, belts, gloves/mittens), calendars/notebooks, small quilts/lap blankets, decorative pillows, soaps/lotions, teas, ornaments, glassware, jewelry, small furniture pieces, holiday themed items, and decorative or useful items for the home. In general, wall art such as paintings, do not sell as well during the Holidays, unless they are petite and/or holiday related.

Starkweather's regular hours are Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays 10-4. The Holiday Shop opens with a Reception on Friday, November 10, 6-9PM, during Romeo's Ladies' Night Out, and ending on December 23. You are not required to work in the gift shop.

For crafters/artists new to us, a photo representative of your work and entry form/info, must be received by us. Applications can be mailed or emailed. We reserve the right to reject any entry and to control the number of items in order to display an appropriate mix of work. We want to sell your items, just as you do. Decisions are based on what we feel our shoppers will purchase. Although we have three 1st floor rooms to display items, space is a factor in what we can accept. This is a non-juried exhibition and sale. Items for sale will remain at Starkweather until the Shop closes on December 23. Removal of items prior to our inventory in January can affect our inventory accuracy. Some items will be invited to remain at the Gift Shop when it reopens in 2024.

For past artisans, just drop me an email to let me know you are returning and when you would like to drop off. Let me know if there are items new to us you would like to offer.

Drop off for approved items will be **Thursday, November 2, 10-3pm and Friday, November 3, 10-3**. Drop off times will be assigned/agreed upon, and we will check in items together.

Gift Shop Set up Fee is \$15 for new crafters. Fee payment can be made at drop off with check, cash or credit card. Starkweather will collect 30% commission on items sold and the sales tax. **To be accepted, items must each be tagged with artist's name, sales price, and an item number. We will not be affixing prices, names or item numbers to your merchandise for you. Your items must be listed on an inventory sheet that can be provided to you before drop off and is also available on our website. Numbers can be as simple as #1, #2 etc.**

Unsold inventory may be picked up on Friday, January 26, 10-4 and Saturday, January 27, 10-4. All entries must be picked up by February 10 unless arrangements have been made, or they will be relinquished to Starkweather. We will have commission checks ready at pick up or possibly earlier if inventory is complete.

Important Dates:

Application Due Date: October 13 Earlier the better!
Drop Off Dates: Thurs, November 2, (10-3) & Fri, November 3 (10-3) By appointment only.
Holiday Shop Opening: Friday, November 10, 6PM
Pick Up Dates: Fri, Jan 26(10-4) & Sat Jan 27 (10-4) Earlier if inventory is complete, by appt.

Mail to: Starkweather Arts Center, Holiday Shop, 219 N. Main, Romeo, MI 48065

OR

Email to: starkweatherarts@comcast.net Subject Line: Holiday Shop. Please include the following info:

Artist/Crafter Name: _____

Business Name: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Have you shown your work at Starkweather in the past? _____

Please direct questions to our email at starkweatherarts@comcast.net .

In addition to a photo(s) or website address, please provide a brief description of Items, including retail price range.

Example: Women's knitted caps, wool \$20

Wooden Carving Boards \$50-\$60