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## 47<sup>th</sup> Annual Spring Tennessee Craft Fair

*Craft Fair Provides Fun Activities and Art for All Ages*

**Nashville, TN.** (April 19, 2018) Join Tennessee Craft for its annual celebration of craft on the lower lawn of Centennial Park, May 4-6, 2018. The public is invited to browse handmade crafts presented by veteran craftsmen and artists on the rise during this Spring show. Tennessee Craft Fairs offer one-of-a-kind, finely crafted artwork directly from juried, award-winning artists from Tennessee and the eight surrounding states. Meet the artists, learn what inspires them and how they take raw materials and transform them into fine craft.

Visit <http://tennesseecraft.org/springfair/exhibitors> to pre-plan your weekend. Our virtual fair and interactive map allow visitors to view all the artists and artwork that will be presented, in advance of and after the spring event. With the advent of Mother's Day, graduations, Father's Day, and weddings, the Tennessee Craft Spring Fair provides the perfect opportunity to purchase custom gifts for those special occasions.

Step into the Kids' Tent to begin an exciting adventure in art! A variety of hands-on activities allows young artists to explore community through craft. Working with skilled artists and using a wide array of materials and techniques, **children are invited to create their own individual artworks and can contribute to a collaborative mural.** Fair visitors of all ages are invited to participate in the project and become part of the dialogue on social media using #myTNcraftcommunity.

### KID'S TENT SCHEDULE:

**Friday**

Shimai Gallery of  
Contemporary Craft  
Watkins Community Education  
Frist Art Museum  
Andrew Jackson's Hermitage  
Hatch Show Prints

**Saturday**

Shimai Gallery of  
Contemporary Craft  
Turnip Green Creative Reuse  
Wishing Chair Productions  
Puppet Truck  
Country Music Hall of Fame  
and Museum (musical  
petting zoo & art activity)  
Nashville Public Library

**Sunday**

Shimai Gallery of  
Contemporary Craft  
Turnip Green Creative Reuse  
Wishing Chair Productions  
Puppet Truck  
Country Music Hall of Fame  
and Museum (art activity  
only)  
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Make extra time to discover the Emerging Makers Tent during your visit to the craft fair. Member artists who want to test their handmade product in the marketplace receive guidance from artist mentors in a supportive and positive environment.

The Spring Tennessee Craft Fair will be open Friday and Saturday from 10 a.m. until 6 p.m. and Sunday from 10 a.m. until 5 p.m. CST. **As always, this event is free and open to the public with free parking and a free shuttle service on Saturday and Sunday.** The shuttle will run in 15-minute loops from the HCA Parking Lots located on Park Plaza to the Tennessee Craft Fair on the lower lawn of the park, bordering West End Avenue. All guests are encouraged to use this free service that is generously provided by the Metropolitan Airport Authority. You can get to Centennial Park on Metro Transit Authority bus routes: West End #3, Charlotte #10, and University Connector #21.

For more information please visit <http://tennesseecraft.org/2018-spring>.

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About: **Tennessee Craft** is a member-driven nonprofit arts organization dedicated to creating opportunities for Tennessee's independent craft artists to thrive. Since 1965, Tennessee Craft has been the only networked community of craft artists across the state, with local chapters and regional opportunities for talent growth, professional development, and one-of-a-kind exhibitions.

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