

TENNESSEE CRAFT

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43rd Annual Fall Tennessee Craft Fair

Come Celebrate Craft in the Park!

NASHVILLE, TN (September 23, 2021)—Tennessee Craft presents the [43rd Annual Fall Tennessee Craft Fair](#), **October 8, 9 and 10**, in Nashville's iconic Centennial Park. Artists from across the nation will exhibit their handmade craft on the Great Lawn adjacent to the Parthenon, showcasing fine craft from clay, jewelry and leather to wood, glass, painting and more.

On pause due to COVID restrictions, two popular attractions have returned to the fair: the Kids' Tent and the Demonstration Tent! Organizational partners will be onsite throughout the weekend sharing a variety of craft techniques with our youngest fair goers. Volunteers from Belmont/Watkins Community Education, the Country Music Hall of Fame and Museum, East Nashville Hope Exchange, Frist Art Museum, Nashville Public Library, Poverty and the Arts, Shimai Gallery of Contemporary Craft, Tennessee State Museum, Turnip Green Creative Reuse, and the perennial favorite Wishing Chair Productions Puppet Truck will guide children through art activities that they can recreate at home using ordinary materials and their creativity.

In the Demonstration Tent, watch and learn "how it's made" from the Tennessee Association of Woodturners, the Clay Lady's Campus, and one of our 2020 Master Artist/Apprentice Program pairs.

The Emerging Makers Tent is another exciting place to be during the fair! Artists who are just beginning their craft careers or are exhibiting in a craft fair for the first time work together in a group selling environment to support each other in set up, display, selling and customer service.

Through the fairs and a robust calendar of year-round programs, Tennessee Craft impacts current and future generations of craft artists and collectors. Tennessee Craft Fairs (held each Spring and Fall) are the premier outdoor events for artists to showcase and sell their work in an intimate and personal setting. Craft artists connect with the community by demonstrating their craft knowledge and processes.

As always, this free event is accessible to the public – with free parking and free shuttle service on Saturday and Sunday. Shuttles will run in 15-minute loops from the HCA Parking Lots located on Park Plaza to the entrance of the Tennessee Craft Fair. Gray Line of Tennessee generously provides this free service. The Fall Fair will be a socially distanced event and masks are strongly encouraged, especially in artists' booths where social distancing is not feasible.

Fair hours are 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Friday and Saturday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Sunday. For more details, maps and event information, please visit tennesseecraft.org/fallfair.

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About Tennessee Craft: Tennessee Craft, formerly The Tennessee Association of Craft Artists (TACA), works to continue and create Tennessee's fine craft tradition. With more than 500 members throughout the state, Tennessee Craft serves as the premier connecting point for local, independent makers and their audiences through craft fairs, exhibitions, professional development, networking, mentorship and other educational programs. Visit tennesseecraft.org to learn more.