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## **TREASURES BY MASTER ARTISANS WILL COLOR BROOKLYN MUSEUM'S BEAUX-ARTS COURT NOV. 19-20 AT THE 4<sup>th</sup> AMERICAN FINE CRAFT SHOW BROOKLYN**

### **90 handpicked exhibitors celebrate American artistry in time for holiday shopping**

SLATE HILL, NY—October 13, 2016--Color punctuates the work of many of the handpicked exhibitors at the fourth **American Fine Craft Show Brooklyn** at Brooklyn Museum, timed for holiday shopping--November 19-20--in the majestic Beaux-Arts Court. The show is produced and curated by **An American Craftsman Galleries** that has supported crafts artists since 1982, longer than any other gallery in New York City, representing the work of over 500 from across the country.

American jewelry designers will exhibit wedding rings, earrings, necklaces and bracelets, some sophisticated, others imaginative or whimsical. They come hammered, enameled, pierced and cast in gold, platinum, silver and other metals enhanced by precious stones and gems, ceramic, glass, beading, paper and found objects.

“Designers of art-to-wear create classic to flamboyant high fashion as well as practical pieces with distinctive hand made buttons, beads, luxurious tapestries or velvety chenille, to achieve an individual sense of style,” said Richard Rothbard, co-producer with Joanna Rothbard. “Look for special techniques, like ikat weaving or shibori dyes on sweaters, jackets, coats and accessories.”

Master furniture makers working in wood, metals, and other materials create one-of-a-kind functional art forms that highlight their skills. They are especially receptive to custom orders. Included in the mix of distinctive offerings will be paintings; writing instruments; wood spoons and puzzle boxes; hand-blown glass and ceramic bowls, vessels, lamps and more.

Along with the work of Brooklyn artisans new to the show such as jeweler [Sonja Fries](#) and furniture maker [Stefan Rurak](#), there are others premiering here from around the country such as jewelers [Laise Clayton](#) and [Julie Shaw](#), furniture maker [Jill Orlov](#), ceramists [Thomas Marrinson](#) and [Barbara Mann](#), milliner [Karen Morris](#), glassmakers Charlie Jenkins and Terrill Waldman, [Tandem Glass](#), knit fashion designer [Melissa Montimurro](#) and fine artist [Deborah Shedrick](#), to name a few.

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Tickets to the craft show include general admission to the museum. Concurrent special exhibitions at Brooklyn Museum include “Marilyn Minter: Pretty/Dirty;” “Beverly Buchanan—Ruins and Rituals;” “Iggy Pop Life Class by Jeremy Deller” and a ticketed exhibition, “Who Shot Sports: A Photographic History, 1843 to the Present,” \$16 at the admissions desk.

In addition to the **American Fine Craft Show Brooklyn**, the Rothbards also founded and produce the annual July Berkshires Arts Festival in Massachusetts; 70 CraftsWomen in Princeton, NJ in September; the American Fine Craft Show Washington DC in October and the Sarasota Craft Show in Florida in December. For 30+ years they produced hallmark shows such as the American Fine Craft Show NYC, Contemporary Art Fair NYC and the Rockefeller Arts Festival in Manhattan.

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**Information:** Visit [www.brooklyncraftshow.com](http://www.brooklyncraftshow.com)   
**Where:** Brooklyn Museum, 200 Eastern Parkway, Brooklyn, NY 11238. **Directions:** <https://www.brooklynmuseum.org/visit/directions.php>  
**Hours:** Saturday Nov. 19 11 am – 6 pm.  
Sunday, Nov. 20: 11 am-6 pm  
**Tickets:** **Cash only at entrance:** Adults - \$16.00 Seniors -\$14.00 Students - \$10.00 Museum members with membership card -\$8 Children under 10-Free. **Online:** \$12 for everyone until Nov. 10 and \$14 after that. <http://www.americanfinecraftshowbrooklyn.com>  
**Tickets Include general admission to Brooklyn Museum**  
**Photos/Press Pass:** [http://press.americanartmarketing.com/brooklyn\\_press.htm](http://press.americanartmarketing.com/brooklyn_press.htm)