



ARTISTS TO STALK NEXT WEEKEND

Did we all get to Target at whatever o'clock they opened? I didn't. If there's one thing to know about me, it's that I hate crowds more than Hunger Games tributes hate tracker jackers.

I try to not step foot into a store until January 15th or so, and I'm all over the internet, just buying, buying, buying non-stop. Presents for all! Everybody gets internet gifts! The best thing about this is that you can shop Etsy and [ScoutMob](#) and whatever other sites you know about where you can buy cool handmade things by cool artisans.

You know what's weird, though? I've never been to the [One of a Kind Show in Chicago](#). It's so not the mall, and it's so a great way to shop for presents in real life that are made by real live artists/artisans/artistes, and then you get to talk to these makers and become BFFs with them.

Anyway... you in the Chicago area? Let me know if you're going to the [One of a Kind Show](#) (December 3-6), and I'll make sure I come find you if we're there that day. (not sure if we're going Saturday or Sunday yet).

Wait a minute! Let's take a look at a few artists I'm particularly interested in seeing/awkwardly trying to make conversation with.



Daria Tessler – just look at this. Perfection.



Candace Compton Pappas – these are lovely little paintings. (My favorite gift ever from Christian is a set of 3 small paintings from an artist her knew I liked.)



Peter Karner - I totally geek out at ceramics. I dream of having a huge gas kiln someday in my back yard and being all awesome and firing up scads of ceramic awesomeness.