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# 15<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL ONE OF A KIND SHOW AND SALE CHICAGO BRINGS LOCAL AND NATIONAL ARTISTS UNDER ONE ROOF FOR GREAT HOLIDAY SHOPPING

More Than 600 Artists to Show December 3-6 at Chicago's Mart

CHICAGO- The 15<sup>th</sup> annual **One of a Kind Show** returns to Chicago December 3-6 at The Mart (222 W. Merchandise Mart Plaza) with more than 600 talented artists. In addition to hand-crafted fine arts, fashion and accessories, the One of Kind Show will feature work of home décor, gourmet food and children's goods.

The One of a Kind Show is a juried show. Only artists who design and handcraft their work are eligible participate. In addition, all artists must be present at the Show, allowing shoppers the opportunity to discuss the process and work that goes into creating each piece. This gives shoppers an intimate shopping experience while knowing the products for sale are truly one of a kind. The artists featured below exemplify the One of a Kind Show's standards of unique and carefully produced work.

### A Preview of the 2015 Artists



Mille Crotty of **Miss Millie** creates a vintage-inspired porcelain line of functional wares, sculptural ornaments, and jewelry. Crotty hand-builds and slip casts each piece from original and vintage molds in her south Philadelphia studio. Her pieces juxtapose utility with sculpture and the whimsical with the macabre.



**Steel Petal Press** is a Chicago-based design and letterpress studio specializing in unique greeting cards, gift items, personalized stationery and wedding invitations. Artist Shayna Norwood carefully prints each card by hand on two antique presses in her South Side studio. Her goal is to share beauty and humor with the world through handmade stationery.



Marnani Design is led by New York based illustrator Martha Napier. Napier's whimsical illustrations, mostly watercolor, have been featured in numerous publications, notably the New York Times and the Wall Street Journal. Before becoming an illustrator, Napier was a senior womenswear designer for famed American design house Michael Kors.



**CHC** is a collection of handcrafted leather goods created by Chicago's Chelli Look with the intent of offering lovely and thoughtful accessories. Her materials are sourced from across the United States. CHC donates 10% of profits to WINGS, an organization providing services to end domestic violence and homelessness.



Late Sunday Afternoon creates show-stopping scarves, pocket squares, bandanas and ascots. In 2012, founder Matthew Schildkret moved to Venice, California to become involved in Occupy Venice, a movement that provides relief for the unhoused. While living in a tent on the streets, he started making scarves for himself and his fellow Occupiers. Shortly thereafter a woman approached him and bought the scarf right off his neck. Matthew used that money to go buy more fabric and Late Sunday Afternoon was born. Schildkret is committed to maintaining the company's socially conscious beginnings.

### About the One of a Kind Show and Sale Chicago

The One of a Kind Show Chicago will take place December 3 and 4 from 11 a.m. – 8 p.m., December 5 from 10 a.m. – 7 p.m. and December 6 from 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. at The Mart, 222 Merchandise Mart Plaza, 7<sup>th</sup> Floor, Chicago, IL. Tickets are \$12 for adults, children 12 and under are free. Special ticket packages also are available online. A portion of all ticket sales will benefit Ann & Robert H. Lurie Children's Hospital. For tickets or more information, visit www.oneofakindshowchicago.com.

#### **About The Mart**

The Mart, a Vornado Property and a division of Vornado Realty Trust, is a leading owner and operator of integrated showroom and office buildings, as well as trade show facilities, bringing buyers and sellers together through market events, trade and consumer shows, and conferences each year. We are committed to creating sustainable environments in the properties we manage and the communities we serve. Vornado Realty Trust, based in New York City, is a fully integrated equity real-estate investment trust. Vornado's common shares are listed on the New York Stock Exchange and are traded under the symbol VNO.

Media can visit the show's online pressroom at <a href="https://www.oneofakindshowchicago.com/press-room/">www.oneofakindshowchicago.com/press-room/</a> to download press releases and announcements. The site also features an image gallery and fast facts. For news, images and real-time information follow One of a Kind Show Chicago on the following social media channels: Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, Pinterest or Vimeo.

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