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# THE FIRST ANNUAL ONE OF A KIND SPRING SHOW FEATURES UNIQUE TALENT IN A VARIETY OF MEDIA

Shoppers Will Have the Opportunity to Meet Artists On-Site and Experience Exciting Programming

CHICAGO- The first **One of a Kind Spring Show** debuts in Chicago <u>April 29-May 1</u> at The Mart (222 W. Merchandise Mart Plaza) hosting more than 300 juried artists, and offering programming and delicious gourmet options. The One of a Kind Spring Show will feature favorites from the One of a Kind Holiday Show alongside newcomers in a variety of areas including seasonal items. All artists will be present giving shoppers the opportunity to learn about the inspiration and process behind their work.

Here are some artists from the first annual One of a Kind Spring Show.



**Big Fork Brands** specializes in handcrafted, artisanal sausages using all-natural pork and nitrite-free hardwood smoked bacon. The sausages are free of artificial flavors, preservatives, antibiotics, hormones, and gluten and can be the perfect gift for the grillmaster at the beginning of the grilling season.



Nancy Pizarro and Andy Witt founded **Circa Ceramics** in 1999 in order to pursue their passion for the arts. Circa Ceramics creates whimsical, colorful houseware from scratch. Shoppers looking to add some spice to their kitchens should stop here.



**Jen Jansen** is a largely self-taught photographer working in Chicago. Jansen focuses on tintype photography which imbues her photographs with a vintage feel. Jansen's work captures everything from portraits to urban settings and landscapes.



Louisa Guild's non-traditional grandmother inspired her fascination in jewelry. Today, Guild designs delicate, thoughtful pieces of jewelry that are perfect for any woman looking for one-of-a-kind piece. In addition to the classic materials including gold, silver and gemstones, Guild uses unconventional media including porcupine quill, bone and antler.



Every bag at **C.A.S Handmade** is designed and sewn by the founder, Cara DesJardins, using only the highest quality material and pigments. The simple design and expert craftsmanship ensure these bags will never go out of style.



Together, sisters Lesley and Karen design the simple, elegant garments of **Willowmore**. The line is largely influenced by the vast landscapes of their home country of Canada and a deep connection to the South African desert, the Karoo. Recently, Lesley and Karen expanded Willowmore to include accessories and houseware.

## About the One of a Kind Spring Show

The One of a Kind Spring Show will take place April 29 from 11 a.m. – 8 p.m., April 30 from 10 a.m. – 7 p.m. and May 1 from 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. at The Mart, 222 Merchandise Mart Plaza, 7th Floor, Chicago, IL. Tickets are \$10 for adults, children 12 and under are free. Special ticket packages are also available online. 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 www.oneofakindshowchicago.com/press-room/ 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.