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ONE OF A KIND SHOW AND SALE FEATURES ARTISTS COMMITTED TO ENVIRONMENTAL AND SUSTAINABLE WORK

Artists Using Environmental Means More Prominent Than Ever in the One of a Kind Show's 15th Year, Dec. 3-6

CHICAGO –The 15th annual **One of a Kind Show and Sale**, returning December 3-6 to The Mart (222 W. Merchandise Mart Plaza), features a number of artists committed to environmental and sustainable work. The artists highlighted below not only meet the show's high quality handmade criteria but also utilize a wide range of media and techniques to create "green art."

Here are some highlights from the artists using environmentally friendly techniques.

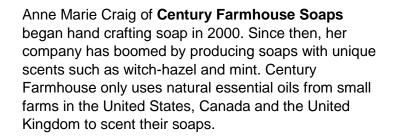


As founder of **Smart Glass Jewelry**, artist **Kathleen Plate** handcrafts unique tabletops, jewelry, light fixtures and so much more from recycled wine, beer and soda bottles to challenge people to see the enormous possibilities in everyday items. Plate's acute awareness of consumption and heightened creativity comes from her childhood growing up in a small fishing village in Washington State during the height of the fuel crisis.



Debbie Ungar from **Dupco** (Debbie Uses Pretty Cast-Offs) sees the potential in every thrift store. She breathes life into discarded apparel with a hot bath and some choice updating. Ungar hopes her customers will not only love the new addition to their wardrobe but feel good knowing they are reducing waste and recycling precious resources.





Liz Fiorenza and her team at **Wind Ridge Farm** grow more than 400 varieties of culinary and medicinal herbs which they personally harvest, inspect, dry and package in order to guarantee quality and freshness to customers. All their products are Certified Naturally Grown with no artificial dyes, preservatives or additives.



Nancy Maize of **Think Again** creates unexpected homeware, jewelry and accessories from the scraps of paper, childhood memorabilia and seed packets typically thrown out to the curb. By revamping these objects, Maize shaves off a few trash bags from landfills every year.



Artist Amy Flynn of **Fobots** uses found materials from flea markets, junk yards and auctions to create sculpture robots. Each Flobot is embellished with a metal heart, just like the Tin Man. Flynn's process ensures each piece is unique and impossible to duplicate.

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, 7th Floor, Chicago, IL. Tickets are \$12 for adults, children 12 and under are free. Special ticket packages are also 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

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Media can visit the show's online pressroom at <u>www.oneofakindshowchicago.com/press-</u> <u>room/</u> 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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