Mark your calendars: The Hermitage Museums' annual *Hermitage Handmade Festival* will take place Saturday, September 20<sup>th</sup> 2025. SHOP for arts and craft handmade by local artists, EAT from some of the best food trucks in town, LEARN about the arts through live demonstrations throughout the day, MAKE arts and crafts of your very own with on-site art-making activities. More info to come!

The Hermitage is seeking high-quality arts and crafts vendors to showcase at the *Hermitage Handmade Festival* on Saturday, September 20<sup>th</sup>. The Hermitage invites artisans of all media including ceramics, paper arts, fiber arts, metals, glass, and all other handmade goods to apply. To ensure a balanced variety of work displayed and excellent craftsmanship *Hermitage Handmade* is a juried show. Three deserving makers will be awarded a cash prize! First place: \$500, Second Place: \$250, Best Display: \$100

## **Application Process:**

- Download and complete the Hermitage Handmade PDF application form
- Once you have completed the form, email the form and 5 quality jpg images of your work to <u>handmade@thehermitagemuseum.org</u>
  - It is essential that applicants submit their materials properly to be considered for participation. Carefully review the guidelines:
    - Applicants should send their materials in one single email titled "Hermitage Handmade Application." Multiple emails will not be reviewed.
    - Applicants should submit the 5 quality images of their work as JPEG attachments. Each JPEG image file must be labeled with your name.
    - An alternative to sending images as JPEG files is to send images in a Dropbox folder.
    - Any applications with password protected attachments or links will not be considered.
- Deadline to apply is July 27<sup>th</sup>
- Notification of acceptance is August 6<sup>th</sup>
- If accepted, vendor fee due by August 20<sup>th</sup>
- Vendors may share a space however each artist must submit a separate application. Please indicate on the application if you would like to share a space.

## Vendor Fee:

- 10'x10' plot (with or without tent): \$160
  - Vendors sharing a 10'x10' plot: \$80 per vendor
- 6'x5' plot (no tents allowed): \$95
  This is enough space for a 6' table and 2 chairs behind it.

## Vendor Space:

- *Hermitage Handmade Festival* takes place outdoors. No tents, shelters, or covered spaces will be provided. Rain date is September 27<sup>th</sup>.
- Vendors can bring their own tent, not to exceed 10'x10'. All tents must be properly secured against wind. Tents are only permitted in 10'x10' plot.
- Vendors will receive notification of their assigned location and setup time before the show via email.
- Electricity is not available.
- Artists are responsible for set-up and break-down of their displays.
- Vendors must provide their own table, table covering, chairs, easels, racks, etc. and all displays must fit within vendor's assigned plot size.

## **General Information**

- Deadline to apply is July 27<sup>th</sup>
- The Hermitage Museum & Gardens is not responsible for damage caused while your work is on premises.
- Photographs submitted as part of the vendor application may be used for promotion.
- Vendors are responsible for their own transactions and keep all proceeds of their sales.

**Cancellations and refunds**: Once your Vendor Fee is received, it cannot be refunded. If you cannot participate in the show for any reason, please contact handmade@thehermitagemuseum.org as soon as possible.

All work displayed must be original, created and executed by the displaying artist's or artisan's own hand and of professional quality. This work is absolutely limited to the work of a single artist or two-person collaborative team.

Ineligible items include items made with commercially available molds or patterns or any item produced commercially or by anyone other than the artist. No representatives or dealers may show. Artists bringing ineligible items to the show will be asked to remove them.

Artists violating the rules of this show will not be permitted to exhibit.