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Del Ray Artisans Holiday Market 2012

November 30 – December 2, December 7–9, December 14–16

Alexandria, VA (Released October 8, 2012) - Join us for the 17th annual Del Ray Artisans Fine Art & Fine Craft Holiday Market! The Market offers unique handmade crafts from local artists including pottery/ceramics, photography, jewelry, cloth, paper crafts, and fused glass. Participating artists donate a percentage of their sales to Del Ray Artisans (DRA). This year's Holiday Market artists are: Jen Athanas, Tessa Barsic, Barb Boatman, Drew Cariaso/Anne Veitenheimer, Rita Cohen, Chris Fedderson/Kathy Lawler, Carol Fogelsong, Rachel Giunta, Derek Hall, Lesley Hall, Maria Illingworth, Steve Johnson/Kari Kelley, Nancy Kline, Genevieve Lynn, Diana Manchak, Erica Morris, Angelina Musto/Isabella Hale, Patti North, Claudia & Sergio Olivos, Tangela Roe, Howard Stelzer, Ron Tickerhoff, Christine Vinh, Joyce Wagner, Dorothy Weiss, Tamara Wilkerson, Tracy Wilkerson, Paula Wulff, Monica Yichoy, and Sandra Zacharia.

This year, the Holiday Market is open for 3 weekends. There are different artists and Bake Sale items each weekend, so visit us for all three weekends! The schedule is the same for each weekend: Friday night is a reception from 6 – 9pm where visitors can enjoy some delicious hot food from a local restaurant while shopping with the artists; Saturday, the Market is open from 10am - 4pm; and Sunday from 12 - 4pm. All day Saturday and Sunday, shop with the artists, enjoy hot apple cider and maybe even purchase a Holiday Ornament, handmade made by a DRA member. Sales from the yummy Bake Sale this year will benefit Computer CORE (www.computercore.org), an organization that helps lowincome adults acquire the technological and life skills they need to pursue their career aspirations. A new kids' table is also available where children can shop (with piggybank-friendly prices) and purchase items for family members.

The Holiday Market will be at the Del Ray Artisans gallery at the Nicholas A. Colasanto Center, 2704 Mount Vernon Avenue, Alexandria, Virginia 22301. The gallery is free, open to the public and handicap accessible.

For more information, please visit <u>TheDelRayArtisans.org/HolidayMarket</u> or contact Tracy Wilkerson (703 - 501-1736, HolidayMarket@TheDelRayArtisans.org).

Del Ray Artisans, founded in 1992, is a nonprofit organization whose mission is to promote art for the benefit of artists and the community.

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