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**THE ONE OF A KIND HOLIDAY SHOW RETURNS TO THE MART
DECEMBER 1-4, SHOWCASING 500 TALENTED ARTISTS FROM
ACROSS THE US AND CANADA**



Chicago's Iconic Holiday Shopping Event Will Make its Return to THE MART, Celebrating 21 Years of Tradition with Handmade Works, Gourmet Foods, Live Entertainment, and Much More

CHICAGO (September 2022) – *Shop Til' You Drop!* The [One of a Kind Show and Sale](#)®, Chicago's not-to-miss annual shopping extravaganza, will return to THE MART, 222 W. Merchandise Mart Plaza, Thursday, December 1 through Sunday, December 4, 2022. Celebrating 21 years of pure magic, the **One of a Kind Holiday Show** will bring together 500 talented artists, artisans, and makers to offer the best in everything from fine art and handmade goods to gourmet cafes, bar areas, live entertainment and activities fun for all ages. Shoppers are invited to save the date as tickets to the holiday show (\$15 for all four days) will soon become available online at oneofakindshowchicago.com. To make things even more cheery, a portion of all ticket sales will benefit the Ann & Robert H. Lurie Children's Hospital of Chicago.

"We couldn't be more thrilled to once again connect the show's enormously gifted artists and makers with such a loyal community that values and supports hand-crafted work," said Kathleen Hogan, Sales Director of the One of a Kind Show "Year after year, the show really defines the spirit of the holiday season."

Unlike traditional shopping, the show provides the opportunity to shop directly from the makers of goods spanning a variety of categories including accessories, gourmet, painting, bath & body, holiday, paper, ceramics, home goods, pet products, fashion, jewelry, photography, fiber art, kids, sculpture, furniture, metal, wood, glass, mixed media, and more. An artist locator is live [online](#) so shoppers can browse the artists and sort by name, location, category, BIPOC-Owned, LBGT-Owned, Woman-Owned and new to One of Kind, allowing shoppers to plan their perfect experience beforehand. Exhibiting artists will be on-site throughout the run of the show to engage with attendees, sharing their inspiration behind-the-scenes insights along the way.

New this year is an expanded gourmet market section featuring over 50 vendors, including 10 from The Hatchery, the food business incubator in the East Garfield Park neighborhood. The Hatchery enables local entrepreneurs to build and grow successful food and beverage businesses by providing commercial kitchens with fridge and freezer storage, coworking and event spaces, and on the job training courses. In addition to this section, the holiday show will welcome over 100 new faces to create unmatched variety at the event.

The **One of a Kind Holiday Show** will be open on the 7th floor of THE MART, 222 W. Merchandise Mart Plaza from Thursday December 1 - Sunday, December 4. Show hours will be Thursday-Saturday 10am-7pm and Sunday 10 am-5pm. Tickets will be available online in October and are \$15 for all 4 days. Children under 12 are free. For more information, please visit www.oneofakindshowchicago.com.

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About The One of a Kind Holiday Show

The One of a Kind Holiday Show® Chicago takes place at THE MART, 222 Merchandise Mart Plaza, 7th Floor, December 1 – 4, 2022. For tickets or more information, visit: <http://oneofakindshowchicago.com/>.

Hours are as follows:

Thursday, December 1: 10 a.m. – 7 p.m.

Friday, December 2: 10 a.m. – 7 p.m.

Saturday, December 3: 10 a.m. – 7 p.m.

Sunday, December 4: 10 a.m. – 5 p.m.

For tickets or more information, visit www.oneofakindshowchicago.com. For the latest press releases, facts, photos and videos, visit the [online pressroom](#). For news and real-time updates, follow the One of a Kind Show on [Facebook](#) and [Instagram](#).

About THE MART

THE MART (formerly The Merchandise Mart), located in the center of the sought-after River North submarket, is interwoven into the fabric of Chicago as an innovator in business, technology, culture, art, media and more. It is one of the world's leading commercial buildings, wholesale design centers and the preeminent international business location in Chicago. Encompassing 4.2 million gross square feet, THE MART spans two city blocks, rises twenty-five stories, and is visited by an average of 30,000 people each business day and nearly 10 million people annually. Offering continuous innovation and creativity from leading manufacturers and design forward showrooms, THE MART serves as the home to Chicago's most creative and technologically innovative companies.

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