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**NEW ARTISTS TO DISCOVER AT THE 16<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL ONE OF A KIND HOLIDAY SHOW**

*Emerging Artists and New to the Show – To Exhibit December 1-4 at The Mart*

**CHICAGO – November 16, 2016** – Shoppers will find a lot of fresh new talent and work at this year’s One of a Kind Holiday Show running December 1-4 at The Mart. More than a quarter of the show’s 600 artists will be exhibiting at the popular holiday shopping event for the first time.

Forty of these exhibitors are up-and-coming artists who will be featured in the One of a Kind Holiday Show’s newly branded Emerging Market section. These Emerging Market artists have fewer than three years of experience as a full-time artist.

The One of a Kind show is proud to support a carefully-selected group of rising talent that work in all mediums including accessories, fashion, gourmet, jewelry, photography and furniture. “We want to showcase a wide variety of artists and provide a platform for rising stars,” said Aida Sarvan, Marketing Director of One of a Kind Show. “We’re excited to bring this new wave of talent to the One of a Kind Show.”

A snapshot of the new and emerging artists can be found below. More information about these artists can be found [here](#).

The One of a Kind Show and Sale® Chicago takes place at The Mart, 222 Merchandise Mart Plaza, 7th Floor, December 1-4. For tickets or more information, visit [www.oneofakindshowchicago.com](http://www.oneofakindshowchicago.com).



### Bird of Virtue

Artist Name: Linnea Oliver

Location: San Francisco, CA

Medium: Jewelry

Materials: Natural Wood

*Linnea creates thought-provoking, intricately detailed, handcrafted accessories for men and women that are timely without being trendy. Her inspiration comes from the architecture of geometry and music.*



### h.bune designs

Artist Name: Hilary Conlisk

Location: Chicago, IL

Medium: Home Goods

Materials: Polyester, Wool, Rayon, Chiffon

*A graphic designer and self-taught screen printer, Hilary offers paper goods, as well as canvas tote bags, designed to brighten up everything from your wall to your mailbox to your grocery trip.*



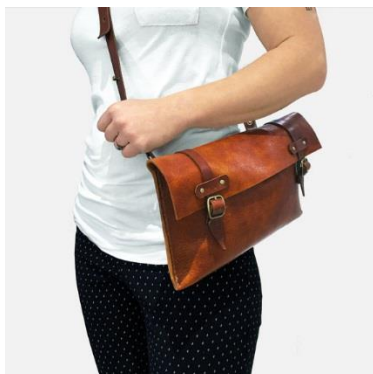
### Firefly Experience

Artist Name: Radim Schreiber

Location: Fairfield, IA

Medium: Photography

*"Growing up in the Czech Republic, I hadn't seen many fireflies before. It was very magical when I saw thousands of them in Iowa for the first time. For me, fireflies are the light in the dark - they show me the path to joy, hope, healing and a connection with nature. Through my photography I wish to share their magical beauty with others."*



### Two Belmont Sisters

Artist Name: Christin Gilchrist

Location: Nixa, Missouri

Medium: Handcrafted Bags, Apparel and Accessories

*The search for the perfect handbag led two sisters to begin crafting once a week and eventually start their own small business.*



Broomhead Bar

Artist Name: Terry Broomhead

Location: Lansing, IL

Medium: Gourmet Foods

*Driven to promote a healthier lifestyle, Broomhead Bar created a product that would help maximize potential goals while minimizing its ingredients. A business that came together by chance, Broomhead Bar now strives to make its mark in becoming the premier choice protein source in the health and fitness industry.*



Coat Check Chicago

Artist Name: Liz Williams

Location: Oak Park, IL

Medium: Fashion

Materials: Italian Wool

*Coat Check Chicago is a women's outerwear line launching in the Fall of 2016. The coats and jackets are designed with style and longevity in mind. Each product is created using quality Italian wools and time-tested tailoring techniques, ensuring a sleek, long-lasting coat.*



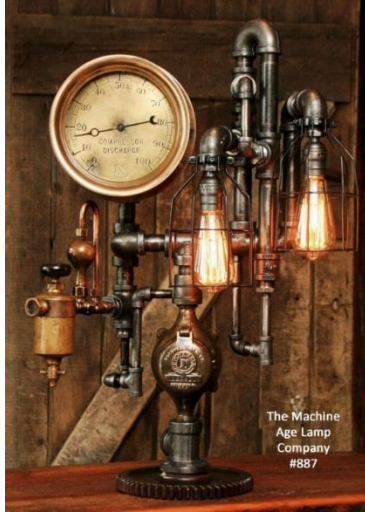
Flaca Jewelry

Artist Name: Amy Shepsman

Location: Brooklyn, New York

Medium: Jewelry

*Offering accessible luxury, Flaca Jewelry is modern jewelry made using only genuine materials.*



### Machine Age Lamps

Artist Name: Shawn Carling

Location: Lakeville, MN

Medium: Mixed Media

Materials: Reclaimed/Re-Purposed barn wood, steam gauges, gears and early American factory artifacts

*Each item starts with a piece of iconic Americana and is built from hand.*



### Chocolate Twist

Artist Name: Kate Coffey

Location: Riverside, IL

Medium: Gourmet

Materials: Small batch, handcrafted confections  
*Chocolate Twist is the creation of Kate Coffey, Queen of the Twist, in 2009. Kate received her Baking and Pastry Certificate at Kendall College, Chicago. Named for Kate's favorite ingredient and a nod to the meandering streets of her hometown, Riverside, Illinois, Chocolate Twist was born. Kate's culinary philosophy is simple. Make tasty food. Make it approachable. Make it fun.*



### Production Mode

Artist Name: Jamie Hayes

Location: Chicago, IL

Medium: Fashion

Materials: Leather

*Production Mode is designed in Chicago by Jamie Hayes. Their design philosophy is one of slow fashion. The process starts with the provenance, quality, and uniqueness of materials and techniques. Their unique pieces are ethically-made, built to last, and imbued with authenticity and soul. Accordingly, each collection begins with an artist collaboration to produce custom materials which are used to build the garments.*



Bill Stone

Artist Name: Bill Stone  
Location: Brooklyn, New York

Medium: Painting, 2D

Materials: Textured Oils on Canvas

*Bill Stone studied oil painting and commercial art at Vesper George School of Art in Boston, MA. His art career began as an illustrator and graphic designer for a magazine publisher. The next 25 years Bill spent as an art director and creative director for a major international advertising agency in Chicago. In 2004 Mr. Stone began exhibiting his work and can be found in many private collections in the U.S. and abroad.*



Dell Cove Spice Co.

Artist Name: David Beets

Location: Chicago, IL

Medium: Gourmet

Materials: Popcorn and Popcorn Seasonings  
*"We are a small family business, specializing in making small-batch popcorn seasonings and popcorn varieties using organic & sustainable farming practices here in the Midwest. My wife and I are inspired by the innate human need to connect and create memories with food. So everything we make is made to be share."*

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**NOTES TO THE EDITOR**

The One of a Kind Show and Sale® Chicago

**Schedule and Ticket Information**

Hours are as follows:

December 1 and 2 from 11 a.m. – 8 p.m.

December 3 from 10 a.m. – 7 p.m.

December 4 from 10 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Tickets are \$12 for adults, children 12 and under are free. Special ticket packages are also available. A portion of all ticket sales will benefit Ann & Robert H. Lurie Children's Hospital. For tickets or more information, visit [www.oneofakindshowchicago.com](http://www.oneofakindshowchicago.com).

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## **About The Mart**

The One of a Kind Show is produced by The Mart.

About theMART: One of the largest commercial buildings in the world, the 4.2 million SF. Merchandise Mart (theMART) is located in Chicago, IL along the Chicago River. Completed in 1930, the building continues to meet the changing needs of the office and showroom businesses it serves. As a Gold-EB OEM LEED certified building, theMART is committed to creating and maintaining sustainable environments.

TheMART is owned by New York-based Vornado Realty Trust, a fully integrated, publicly traded, real estate investment trust (REIT) and one of the largest owners and managers of commercial real estate in the United States with a portfolio of over 45 million SF.

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