



## Chicago's One Of A Kind Holiday Show Offers Perfect Gift Ideas With 2018 Official Gift Guide

The 18th annual One of a Kind Holiday Show, which is making its return to The Mart, 222 W. Merchandise Mart Plaza, December 6-9, has released their 2018 Holiday Gift Guide for shoppers to get a head start planning their holiday gift giving. This season, gift options at the One of a Kind Holiday Show include everything from ceramic kitchenware and recycled paper home decorations, to hand-crafted artwork and jewelry unlike any other, created by more than 600 independent artists from across the country and beyond. Offering shoppers the opportunity to embrace the biggest trend of the season - true individuality - the show will offer an enormous variety of personal and unique presents that are as special as the person who will receive them.

"The perfect gift is easy to find at the One of a Kind Show because each item is handmade by talented artisans, one piece at a time. The creativity of our talented exhibiting artists lends itself to there being something unique for every individual on your shopping list." said Lisa Simonian, Vice President of Marketing, at The Mart.

The One of a Kind Show will simplify holiday gifting with a wide range of unique and eclectic offerings for everyone in their official Gift Guide, from the home chef to the fashionista and more, including:

For The Style Seeker (A Fashionista's Dream)

- o Innovative and comfortable women's wear designed by Kim Schalk
- o World travel inspired scarves in bold prints from Isabelle Gougenheim
- o Warm, boiled wool hats by Julie Sinden
- o Sterling silver and concrete earrings and jewelry by Jennifer Lippman-Bruno Design

For The Home "Maker" (HGTV & Décor Fanatics Will Swoon)

- o Ornaments and wreaths made from recycled children's books, sheet music and wrapping paper by Hull Street Studio
- o Abstract art by Artist H. Ward Miles
- o Outdoor inspired 'Happy Camper' baby blankets from Abbey's House
- o Elegant copper spice bowls with tiny spoons by Beautifully Served by Jill

#### For The Gourmand (A Foodie's Fancy)

- o No-guilt gluten, grain, dairy and sugar free sweets from No Denial Foods
- o Sweet and savory fresh, handmade butter crunch by p.o.p candy co.
- o Seasonal and classic baklava from Sheekar Delights
- o Small batch Southern pickles and relishes by Hinton Cannery

#### For The Chi-town Lover (Treats for all Chicagoans and Sports Fans)

- o Original pen and ink prints of the Chicago "L" by Cape Horn Illustration
- o 'Dibs' inspired clothing and accessories from Chitown Clothing
- o Chicago flag runner and napkins by Made By Cat Painter
- o 'House Divided' Cubs versus White Sox prints by Black Angel Designs

#### For Your Holiday Hosts (Give the Gift of a Thank You)

- o Easy on the hands, 100 percent natural soaps from {blade + bloom}
- o Loose leaf teas for relaxation from T-WE TEA
- o Ceramic bowls in cheery colors for the kitchen by DTK Ceramics
- o Robust, handcrafted blood orange olive oil with handpicked olives and cold-pressed blood oranges from Seven Barrels/East End Foodies

During the One of a Kind Holiday Show, shoppers will have the opportunity to meet and engage with participating artists to learn about them, their creative process and their work. The only place shoppers can attend fashion runway shows add to their fine art collection, indulge at the gourmet market, and get all of their holiday shopping finished--all in one place, The One of a Kind Holiday Show offers items like accessories, bath & body, ceramics, fashion, fiber art, furniture, glass, gourmet goods, and holiday products, to home goods, jewelry, kids, metal, mixed media, paintings, paper, pet products, photography, sculpture and wood.

Tickets are \$12 per adult and provide entry for all 4 days. 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).

Hours are as follows:

December 6 from 11 a.m. - 8 p.m.

December 7 from 11 a.m. - 8 p.m.

December 8 from 10 a.m. - 7 p.m.

December 9 from 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.

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, Instagram and Twitter.

#### About theMART

The One of a Kind Show is produced by 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 60 million SF.