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***The Asheville Art Museum Invites You to Get Crafty with the
2012 Family Art pARTy! and The Big Crafty***

Sunday, July 8, 2012 | Pack Place, Pack Square + the Asheville Art Museum

ASHEVILLE, NC — The Asheville Art Museum is pleased to once again host the annual ***Family Art pARTy!*** on **Sunday, July 8, 2012** in conjunction with **The Big Crafty**.

During the *Family Art pARTy!* families and children will enjoy hands-on art activities in front of the Museum from **1:00 – 4:00 p.m.** (all materials are provided). The Big Crafty will once again take place from **12:00 – 6:00 p.m.** in Pack Square and Pack Place.

Admission to both events and to the Museum's galleries is free for all visitors throughout the day.

Widely regarded as one of Asheville's top art/craft fairs, The Big Crafty is a juried, biannual celebration of handmade commerce that features the fine wares of more than 150 independent craft artisans, who are selected based upon their innovation and creative re-use. During this free community event, visitors may also enjoy free admission to the Asheville Art Museum's many [current exhibition galleries](#).

With more space available than ever before at Pack Place, including the Asheville Art Museum's newly-renovated public Atrium, The Big Crafty will highlight more independent vendors and innovators than ever before. Listed below are the participating vendors (the current list also may be found on [thebigcrafty.com](#)). While shopping The Big Crafty, visitors will also enjoy a wide variety of food and drink, live music and much more!

About The Big Crafty

The Big Crafty revives the tradition of the community bazaar, a lively celebration of handmade commerce, featuring local food, beer, toe-tapping tunes, and the fine wares of select indie artists and crafters. The Big Crafty's guiding principle is that buying

handmade is good for the community, and the organizers' aim is to make doing so fun. As a juried craft show, selected crafters are chosen based upon their innovation, creative re-use and generally work with that extra special "spark". Complete information, including additional details on all participating artists, is available at:
www.thebigcrafty.com.

* *First time vendors*

2012 Vendors

[PerlaAnne*](#)
[Krekprints](#)
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[Little Voice*](#)
[Sun & Moon Soapworks](#)
[Katie Coleman Illustration*](#)
[NeedleNoodles](#)
[Fancy Dirt Forge](#)
[Christi Reiterman Jewelry*](#)
[designs by dara*](#)
[Babolulu](#)
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[Just Kenzie Jewelry](#)
[Owlette Collective](#)
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[cozyblue](#)
[Urbnpop](#)
[Spotted Dog Farm](#)
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[deSoria deSign](#)
[Buda Botanicals](#)
[The DryGoods Shop](#)
[Rockpile Bindery](#)
[Joyner Avenue*](#)
[MudStuffing Pottery](#)
[DesignbyBrita](#)
[Smoking Turtle Studio](#)
[Rusticware](#)
[canoo](#)
[the high fiber](#)
[Jessica Reed Photography*](#)
[The Button Florist](#)
[audrey laine collection](#)
[Sweet Mess Art](#)
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[Fuzzy Ink](#)
[etchville](#)
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[Marisol Spoon](#)
[Benign By Design](#)
[Verabelle](#)
[Urban Olive](#)
[H.D. Wimbledon Greeting Cards*](#)
[Sugar](#)

[Meghan McCrary*](#)
[Concrete Lace*](#)
[The Wind and The Sail*](#)
[Honeymoon Pie*](#)
[Crucible Glassworks](#)
[TKC](#)
[sew few*](#)
[Annie Singletary Ceramics*](#)
[Cindy Riccardelli mixed media](#)
[Nate Barton Works](#)
[Trista Hudzik Reynolds Pottery*](#)
[Jeanette Zeis*](#)
[Just Like Honey Clothing](#)
[Sewn To The Bone](#)
[Pennywishes](#)
[A la mode scarves*](#)
[Earthen Soul Ceramics](#)
[Cara Mae Skin Care](#)
[SKarla Art](#)
[The Pickled Poppy](#)
[Whispering Willow](#)
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[Althea Craftworks](#)
[Madeline Smiles Jewelry*](#)
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[Off the Map](#)
[Axis Pottery](#)
[Revel Jewelry & Design*](#)
[75rabbit](#)
[Joeredfordjr Fine Art](#)
[zassdesign](#)
[DaffodilCorner](#)
[HappyWhosits](#)
[Tree of Life Potters](#)
[freeman clay works*](#)
[Metamorphosis Metals](#)
[Robert Seven](#)
[Coastal Wood Design*](#)
[Cutesy but not Cutesy*](#)
[Mood Swing](#)
[THE CHARM SCHOOL DROPOUT*](#)
[Whittlersroost](#)
[LaPella Pottery](#)
[Kim's Collections*](#)
[Lets Be Friends](#)

[Leanne Pizio](#)
[Kate Dolamore Art*](#)
[ELLEN VAN MANSVELT DESIGN*](#)
[Fray Knot](#)
[Platypusfile](#)
[ZaPOW!*](#)
[faerie made](#)
[The Uncommon Kid](#)
[alena hennessy](#)
[Blue Fire Studio](#)
[Cabrera Creative](#)
[jaime zollars illustrations*](#)
ellsee-beezee*
[outside.everywhere*](#)
[Ever So Lovely, Inc.*](#)
[Patton Pottery*](#)
[Cameoko](#)
[Calaycay Design](#)
[Heroes & Criminals Press](#)
[luckycreature.com](#)
early girl
[Thimble Kiss](#)
[sew moe](#)
holly reed
redheaded press
[Caitie Sellers Metalsmith](#)
[Matthew Smith](#)
[Kung Fu Clay](#)
[E. Paige Smith Duft](#)
[Topsy Star Quilts*](#)
[grOOvy tables](#)
[7 Ton Letterpress Collective](#)
[Quill and Arrow Press](#)
[Two Step Press](#)
Tiny Story Factory
Flatbed Splendor
[Asheville Craftworks*](#)
[Asheville Luthier](#)
[Bandito Rockabilly](#)
[Mug Monsters](#)
Lesliegoods
[Laselle Co.*](#)
[Alice Scott Studio](#)
Ken Hagans Sawmill, Inc*
[The Nature of Metal](#)
[Penny Royalty](#)
[Shelley's Family Jewels](#)
[ergane](#)
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arts alive
[art in the blue square](#)
[Patina South*](#)
bella luna glass jewelry

See also: [photos from previous events](#) for media use.

For more information about The Big Crafty, please visit www.thebigcrafty.com, or contact Justin Rabuck or Brandy Bourne at crafty@thebigcrafty.com.

About the Asheville Art Museum

Founded by artists in 1948 in Asheville, NC, the Asheville Art Museum annually presents an exciting, inviting and active schedule of exhibitions and public programs based on its permanent collection of 20th and 21st century American art. Any visit will also include experiences with works of significance to Western North Carolina's cultural heritage including Studio Craft, Black Mountain College and Cherokee artists. Special exhibitions feature renowned regional and national artists and explore issues of enduring interest. The Museum also offers a wide array of innovative, inspiring and entertaining educational programs for people of all ages.

For more information on the *Family Art pARTy!*, please call Sharon McRorie, Education Programs Manager at 828.253.3227, ext. 122. A complete list of upcoming Asheville Art Museum public programs, special events and exhibitions may be found at www.ashevilleart.org.

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The Asheville Art Museum is the only nonprofit visual arts museum serving the 24 counties of Western North Carolina. Incorporated by artists in 1948, the Museum collects, preserves and interprets American art of the 20th and 21st centuries with a focus on work of significance to the Southeast.

Centrally located in downtown Asheville on Pack Square, the Museum is open 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Tuesday through Saturday and 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. on Sunday. Special docent-guided tour packages are available for groups and students.

Admission to the Museum is \$8.00 for adults and \$7.00 for seniors, students with ID and for children 4-15 (children age three and younger are admitted free). Members are admitted free to the Museum.

The Asheville Art Museum is accredited by the American Association of Museums and receives general operating support from businesses, foundations and individuals, as well as from the North Carolina Arts Council, an agency funded by the State of North Carolina, and the National Endowment for the Arts, which believes that a great nation deserves great art. Additional support is provided by the City of Asheville and Buncombe County.

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