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A SEASON OF WONDER AT THE ICE HOUSE

BERKELEY SPRINGS, WV—Morgan Arts Council presents A Season of Wonder, featuring a gallery filled with wearable art and handcrafted works ideal for holiday gifts. A gala artists' reception takes place on Saturday, November 16 at 7:30 p.m. at the Ice House Gallery.

Also showing in the Hall of Dreams and Carr-Kelly galleries are "Lightscapes" an exhibit of photographs showing the beauty of everyday objects by Selena Melott and "Run," painting and photoshop techniques capturing motion through an obstacle by Mark Drefs.

"A Season of Wonder is a delightful collection of artwork to reawaken the child within," says curator Maya Fredo. "From the sweet and fun to whimsical and truly unique one of a kind pieces, you will be sure to find something for everyone on your holiday list."

The show celebrates the creative expressions from some of the tri-state area's talented artists. New artists, include photographer Linda Gribko who takes her nature inspired works to the next level by creating unique mandala images; Caitilin Godbee, a fiber artist from Virginia who spins her own yarn, knits, and also works with needle felting; and Kim Sheaffer of Pennsylvania who works in a variety of mediums, from poured painting to jewelry making. Rose Rawlinson's delicate work is a new twist on the more traditional use of clay. And Derek Thatcher adds a whimsical touch to his wheel-spun mugs, cups, and bowls.

Local woodworker John Simpson once again demonstrates the ancient art of hand-hewn wooden bowls on Saturdays from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. beginning November 16 and continuing for the duration of the show.

Visitors to the gallery will also find carved wood crafts, forged steel and stone art, glass pieces, wire work sculptures, jewelry, crocheted creations, holiday cards, ornaments, and so much more! Join us in honoring the spirit of the holiday season by celebrating friends, family, home and hearth through the magic of art.

The show runs November 8 through December 29. Gallery hours are Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Grant support for these programs comes in part from the National Endowment for the Arts, the West Virginia Commission on the Arts and local hotel/motel taxes. The Ice House is at the corner of Independence and Mercer Streets in downtown Berkeley Springs, WV. For more information on this and other MAC activities, call 304-258-2300 or visit www.macicehouse.org.