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A SEASON OF WONDER RETURNS TO THE ICE HOUSE

BERKELEY SPRINGS, WV—Morgan Arts Council presents A Season of Wonder, its annual holiday gift show, featuring a gallery filled with wearable art and handcrafted works from over 30 regional artists. Showing in the Hall of Dreams and Carr-Kelly Gallery are Heather Joi’s otherworldly collection of paintings and Penny Knobel-Besa’s black and white photos of abstract creations.

Curator Maya Fredo describes the show as “a colorful, creative display reminiscent of the holidays of our childhood. This year’s show is filled with unique handcrafted treasures, all from our area’s talented artists and crafters.” Included in the show are woodcrafts, glass creations, pottery, cozy knitted pieces, plush animals for the children, and much more. “There’s sure to be something special for your special someone,” continues Fredo. “So stop by and welcome in the holidays by visiting this year’s A Season of Wonder.”

There will also be some local favorites among the many artists and crafters returning to showcase their latest creations for this holiday season. SawJac (Jack Veara) will display his popular chainsaw works, Maureen Storey presents colorful fused glass ornaments and votive candleholders, hand-spun and hand-knitted cozy creations by Caitlin Godbee, and Jessica LeMere’s multimedia paintings on wood. Shop from the whimsical, heartfelt prints of Seth Pitt, metal creations by Mark Conrad, acrylic paintings by Dolores Lally, and one-of-a-kind photographic collages by Darren Smith, along with the artwork of other talented individuals. The show focuses on unique affordable gifts for the holiday season.

The show runs November 12, 2021 through January 2, 2022. Gallery hours are Thursday through Monday, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Masks are required in the Gallery. Even with all the art, there is abundant space to feel comfortable and safe.

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