

Cherrywood Art Fair Offers Shopping, Food and Fun
Texas artists mix with local bands and Austin food trucks for an
unforgettable weekend of family fun December 9-10, 2017

(Austin, Texas) — While Cherrywood Art Fair has been a holiday shopping destination for 16 years by showcasing the work of local artists, it also brings lively local music acts, original performers and unique Austin eats together with fun family activities.

The music starts up at noon on Saturday, December 9 with **Jed Craddock**, a San Antonio musician who blends elements of soul, rock, and R & B. He'll be followed by **Interrobang Brass**, an 8-piece brass band out of the University of Texas. Headliners this year include Austin-based browngrass band **Sour Bridges** and a White Ghost Shivers side project country band **The Saddle Sores. School of Rock** will wrap up the day, taking the stage at 4 p.m.

On Sunday, the center stage will kick off the day with performances by **TKO Puppeteers**, a fun-filled storytelling adventure with audience participation and **Safari Animal Magic**, which brings live exotic animals like an African tortoise, a South American giant tegu lizard, and an Australian bearded dragon. Next up, **Inside Out Steelband** will share the sounds of Trinidad, **Rose Movement Studio** will show off their belly dancing skills and dancers from **Flamencura Dance Studio** will wrap up the day with a fiery and passionate display of flamenco.

Our talented masters of ceremony will be **Taylor Wallace**, KUTX DJ and producer for Eklektikos, and musician and KUTX DJ **Elizabeth McQueen**.

This entertainment list most certainly does not stop there with community partners lining up the Maplewood Elementary School cafeteria and basketball court for two full days of interactive fun. Attendees can participate in a variety of offerings such as crafting with Maplewood Elementary Art Teacher **Emily Leaman** and **Austin Creative Reuse** in the Kid's Art Corner, hair styling from **Braid Babe**, **Face Painting by Ruth**, ukulele lessons from **Groundwork Music Project**, a hula hooping class from **Hoop Circle**, a make-your-own-maraca station with **Latinitas**, pet adoptions with **Austin Pets Alive!** and many more.

Bring your appetite because six local food vendors will be dishing up some delicious eats to fuel the crowds in between shopping and enjoying entertainment. **Jack Hates Coffee** will be selling hot and caffeinated

beverages. **Mmmpanadas** will have sweet and savory hand held treats, **Texas Chili Queens** will be dishing up the heat, **Stoneys Pizza** will bring the pies and **Hat Creek Provisions** will be selling snacks like pickled okra and pickled carrots. And **Nothing Bundt Cakes** will be selling a variety of their unbelievably moist cakes for dessert.

The Fair showcases local makers, live music, kid's activities and food trailer cuisine in a family-friendly environment. This year's [HYPERLINK "http://cherrywoodartfair.org/2017-artists/"](http://cherrywoodartfair.org/2017-artists/)confirmed artists represent an eclectic group of Texas artists selling an array of unique goods including whimsical toys, small batch pottery, organic skin care products, fine art, handmade jewelry, clothing, bags and more.

CAF has been going strong for 16 years and this rain or shine event remains free and open to the public. The proceeds from the Fair benefit Chula League's Little Artist BIG ARTIST, a free after-school arts mentoring program that pairs professional artists with East Austin elementary school children to teach them how to turn an idea into art, and art into a business. Projects created by little artists in the program this year will be auctioned off at the fair.

For more information about the 2017 Cherrywood Art Fair, including the artist lineup, bands, food vendors, community partners, sponsors, schedule of events and more, like Cherrywood Art Fair on Facebook:

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