

NEWS RELEASE



Ohio Mart is October 4-7

Annual craft fair features 125 artisans

September 13, 2018– Akron, Ohio –Stan Hywet Hall & Gardens hosts the 52nd annual Ohio Mart on the estate, October 4-7, 2018. Hours are 10am-5pm, Thursday-Saturday and 10am – 4pm on Sunday.

An Akron tradition, the centerpiece of Ohio Mart is an artisan crafts showcase featuring 125 artists with talents in a variety of media, set against the backdrop of the historic gardens in autumn. This year, Ohio Mart includes Stitchery Showcase, presented biennially by the Stan Hywet Needlework Guild in the Manor House Auditorium. *Inspiration in Bloom*, a display of fresh floral arrangements, is on display in the Manor House (part of the Combo Ticket).

Stan Hywet is located at 714 North Portage Path in Akron, Ohio.

Ohio Mart features 125 artisans working in jewelry, photography, ceramics, furniture, garden art, fiber art and gourmet food. New exhibitors include SláinteHome (handcrafted one-of-kind wood furniture and home goods), Carol Cross Designs in Glass (original stained glass designs) and Polly Z (whimsical handbags out of fabric and treasures for useable art).

Molly's Boutique is also back with a selection of exquisite fine fashion, and *Vintage Finds and Curious Goods* sells the unusual and the collectible. The *Ex Libris* book tent is the place to find a great novel or coffee table book, the Craft Shop features handmade items, and the Garden Committee sells beautiful dried flower arrangements, created from flowers grown in Stan Hywet's Great Garden.

The Food Court features a variety of lunchtime fare, the Bakery Tent sells baked goods from area bakeries, and the Gingerbread Tent sells Stan Hywet's fresh, hot "secret-recipe" gingerbread cookies. The Tudor Rose Pub features a selection of wine and microbrews.

The Stitchery Showcase, presented by The Stan Hywet Needlework Guild (SHNG) is held in even numbered years in the Manor House Auditorium, and is a judged show of needlework in nine categories. The SHNG also holds a Stitcher's Fair for the purchase of needlework supplies and kits, as well as stitching activities for children on Saturday and Sunday.

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TICKETS AND PARKING

Tickets to Ohio Mart are \$10 for adults, \$4 for youth, ages 6-17; children 5 and under are free with an adult. Combo tickets for Ohio Mart include a self-guided tour of the Manor House and *Inspiration in Bloom* and are \$16 adults, \$5 youth. Parking on the Great Meadow is \$5. Free off-site parking with free shuttle is available on Saturday and Sunday, October 7 and 8 (details at stanhywet.org).

Ohio Mart tickets may be purchased at the event, in advance by calling 330-315-3287 or by visiting stanhywet.org.

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Ohio Mart is created and produced by the Auxiliary Board of Stan Hywet.

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