

## NEWS RELEASE

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### **The League of NH Craftsmen Hosts Exhibition: Continuing the Tradition “*Spirit of the Maker*”**

**April 9 – June 25, 2010  
Gallery 205, Concord, NH**

Pottery by Steve and Sue Russell

CONCORD, NH – The League of NH Craftsmen’s Gallery 205 is hosting a multi-media exhibition featuring the work of its members who were juried into the League during 2007 to 2010 (*a list of participants appears at the end of this release*). The exhibition features a wide array of distinctive fine craft, including leather and beaded handbags, blown glass, jewelry, rugs, table linens, decorated gourds, and wood and clay vessels. Visitors will see a three-dimensional, mosaic-like wood piece handcrafted using the Intarsia technique by new juried member Duane Martin; a purse by new juried member Rhonda Besaw, who uses traditional Native American Wabanaki beadwork; and beautifully sculpted lamp bases and vases that new juried member Bob Englund made from cordwood.

The exhibition will be in the League’s Gallery 205 in Concord from April 9 through June 25, 2010. An opening reception, where the public can meet and speak with the participating craftspeople, is scheduled for Friday, April 9 from 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm. In case of inclement weather, please check the League’s website [www.nhcrafts.org](http://www.nhcrafts.org) for cancellation. Gallery 205 is located in the League of NH Craftsmen’s headquarters at 205 North Main Street in Concord, NH and is open Monday through Friday, 8:30 am to 4:30 pm, and Saturdays, during the exhibition, 10:00 am to 4:00 pm.

“The fine craft pieces on display each have a story that represents each maker’s distinctive vision and technique,” said League Executive Director Susie Lowe-Stockwell. “These talented craftsmen have met our rigorous standards for creativity, innovation and technical expertise, and we are thrilled to showcase their work.”

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The League of NH Craftsmen is a non-profit, craft education organization. Its mission is to encourage, nurture, and promote the creation, use, and preservation of fine contemporary and traditional craft through the inspiration and education of artists and the broader community. The League represents the *signature of excellence* in fine craft, through the work of its juried members, and its rigorous standards for self expression, vision, and quality craftsmanship. For more information about the *Continuing the Tradition "Spirit of the Maker"* exhibition, Gallery 205, or the League of NH Craftsmen, call 603-224-3375 or visit [www.nhcrafts.org](http://www.nhcrafts.org).



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### Participants in the *Continuing the Tradition "Spirit of the Maker"* Exhibition

Andover, NH  
Seth Kiedaisch

Hollis, NH  
Mark White

Newfields, NH  
Duane Martin

Kittery, ME  
Elaine Fuller

Canaan, NH  
Michael Kraatz &  
Susan Russell  
Kathleen Peters

Jefferson, NH  
Sarah Warren

N Sutton, NH  
Hethre Larivee

Sanford, ME  
Karen Gola

Loudon, NH  
Julie Robinson

Strafford, NH  
Elena Wikstrom

Bethel, VT  
Nathan Webb

Center Harbor, NH  
Allen & Brenda  
Caswell

Manchester, NH  
Jeffrey Balaschak

Whitefield, NH  
Rhonda Besaw

Bellows Falls, VT  
Dawn Russell

Contoocook, NH  
Boyan Moskov

Meriden, NH  
Ursula Fries-Herfort

Wilmot, NH  
Mary Jane Peabody

Brattleboro, VT  
Lisa Flanders

Danbury, NH  
Myrl Phelps

Merrimack, NH  
Tanya Cherepova  
Micheline

Byfield, MA  
Lloyd Hamovit

E. Dummerston, VT  
Rob Cartelli

Deerfield, NH  
Donald Williams

Milton, NH  
Victor Joos

Gardner, MA  
John Bennard

Newbury, VT  
Jette Nielsen

Hampstead, NH  
Deb Fairchild

Munsonville, NH  
Bob Englund

Northfield, MA  
Linda Mahoney

Putney, VT  
Noriko Isogai

Hampton, NH  
Daniel Garretson

Newbury, NH  
Steve & Sue Russell

Tyngsboro, MA  
Ritvaliisa Ojanen

Windsor, VT  
Lada Bohac