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**Discover one of Nashville's Most Enduring Traditions**  
***Annual event encompasses times of traditional to modern craft***

NASHVILLE, Tenn. – The fall colors of Centennial Park will have stiff competition when more than 200 artists from across the nation visit Nashville for the 2010 TACA Fall Craft Fair. This yearly festival of fine craft will be held September 24, 25 & 26 in historic Centennial Park, as the statewide organization invites residents and visitors to Nashville to celebrate the work of the hand. Artists will be on site with crafts available for purchase from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Friday and Saturday and from 10 a.m. until 5 p.m. on Sunday. Parking and admission are free and open to the public.

“This craft fair serves not only as a great family outing and a wonderful venue for early Christmas shopping, but also as an education in fine craft, a lesson in history and an opportunity to learn about the hands behind your favorite mug.” says Elaine Wood, TACA’s Executive Director.

Woodcarving, stained glass, sculpture, pottery and jewelry are among the works of traditional fine craft more than 45,000 people view each fall. The TACA Fall Craft Fair affords visitors the opportunity to engage in craft from the creation through the finished product, and from the emerging artist through the most accomplished. Vivid glazes, translucent textures in glass and works in wood begging to be touched enchant visitors of all ages, tastes and budgets as they enjoy this unique buying venue.

Visitors to the TACA Demonstration Tent will have an opportunity to take part in discussions related to the methods and processes used in creating the fine craft on display. Joining groups such as the Tennessee Association of Woodturners and LifeWorks Empty Bowls project, this year will highlight the work of the Handweavers’ Guild of Nashville, the vibrant colors of stained glass from Spring Hill, Tenn. artist Susanne Waiwaiole and the eye-catching work of the Zuri Quilting Guild of Nashville.

“The fall show has its 32<sup>nd</sup> anniversary this year, celebrating with the traditional gift of conveyance,” Ms. Wood states. “From traditional to whimsical, work by these artists will transport you to another time and place if you let it, offering to the visitors an opportunity to transcend beyond the day-to-day and into a world of color and beauty.”

The TACA Craft Fairs are produced by the Tennessee Association of Craft Artists (TACA), an independent, statewide nonprofit organization and recipient of the Tennessee Governor’s Award in the Arts. By maintaining high standards of excellence, the Tennessee Association of Craft Artists is appreciated for producing festivals representing the finest in American craftsmanship. We are proud to be a part of Celebrate Nashville, the #1 Craft Fair in Tennessee as designated by Harris List, and as one of the 200 Best List by the Sunshine Artist magazine.

Founded in 1965, TACA is a statewide, nonprofit organization dedicated to encouraging, developing and promoting crafts and craftspeople in Tennessee. Through the use of Craft Fairs, TACA works to expose the residents of Tennessee to the art of fine craft, while providing a forum for creative and personal expression for the artists. For more information, visit [www.tennesseecrafts.org](http://www.tennesseecrafts.org).

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