## Shepherd Hill's 2016 Festival of Crafts

25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary
– Saturday, November 19, 2016 –

## Dear Crafter:

Our goal for the 2016 show will be the same as every year: to showcase the best possible quality, variety, and presentation of crafts in the area. Please review the rules and thoughts below before filling out the application. Please note that the application deadline for the 2016 show is March 31, 2016. Our show opens at 9:00 am and ends at 4:00 pm.

If you are applying for the first time, please date your check for July 31, 2016. If you are placed on the waiting list, we will hold your check until a booth is available. We may contact you as late as November 1 for a booth, or as early as August 10.

Your crafts will be judged on the bases of quality, originality, and the overall appeal of the display. All crafts will be juried at a meeting in May, by parents of music students from the high school. Crafters will be notified of the results by June 15, 2016.

**Photos** (**Mandatory**): Yes, everyone **must** send photos. Even if you have been in our craft show in prior years, our juries are made up of parents of students currently enrolled in music programs at Shepherd Hill Regional High School. The photos you submit are the only representation of your merchandise available to this year's jurors. Please send 4 photos (no larger than 4"x 6"): 3 close-ups so jurors can see detail work, and 1 display photo to show how you plan to present your overall booth to shoppers. Photographs should be in sharp focus, and merchandise should be well lit. We would like to keep at least one photo (for placement purposes) and all others will be returned, as long as sufficient postage is provided on your SASE.

**Special requests:** This is a large show, and there are many special requests! We strive to honor as many of these requests as possible on a first-come, first-served basis. If you feel your attendance at the fair absolutely hinges on getting your special request, please be sure to get your application in early with your needs clearly stated.

Imports, craft kits, and commercially manufactured items are not accepted in our fair. All items must be completely done by you or significantly embellished by you.

**Copyright/licensing/tax laws:** All applicants should be current with the various legal and tax aspects of their business.

On behalf of the Shepherd Hill Music Parents Association and our students, we hope to see an application from you!

Sincerely, Hilary Grabe Chair of 2016 Festival of Crafts shrhscraftfair@gmail.com