

Gifted Contemporary Christmas Market 2017 Sat 9 / Sun 10 Dec 2017

Our successful Christmas market returns in December and kicks off an exciting programme of seasonal activities at NCCD. Following on from the success last year, we're throwing open our doors for a two day contemporary Christmas event.

During this special advent weekend our craft market will host makers from across the UK selling high quality jewellery, ceramics, textiles, glass and tableware. Our food market will offer a variety of local and specialist food and there will be a family focused programme of workshops, demonstrations, musicians and exhibitions.

Gifted has grown into a landmark event attracting over 5000 shoppers and visitors in 2016 from far and wide. Gifted prides itself in providing the highest standard of craft and food makers to ensure a special and unique Christmas shopping experience. We are proud to work in partnership with Design Factory and Design-Nation to present our largest ever market in 2017.

ABOUT THE NATIONAL CENTRE FOR CRAFT & DESIGN

NCCD sits at the heart of the market town of Sleaford in Lincolnshire in the beautiful riverside setting of Navigation Wharf. The Centre is largest venue in England entirely dedicated to the exhibition, celebration and promotion of international and national craft and design.

Our renowned programme of exhibitions showcases the most innovative, challenging and accomplished artists including new and emerging talent. A public and education programme inspires people of all ages, skills and interest levels through 3 lively seasons of talks, workshops, conferences, clubs, groups, activities, lectures, seminars, screenings, short-courses, and demonstration days. Our shop sells the very best contemporary craft and design from British makers and our Riverside café is a popular haven for families and business people seeking a creative respite.

Gifted is our biggest event of the year and we are committed to attracting new and existing visitors through an inclusive marketing campaign which ensures a consistently high profile for Gifted and NCCD.



APPLICATION INFORMATION

NCCD invites you to apply to take part in Gifted and welcomes applications from designer/makers of all disciplines of high quality British contemporary craft and design, and makers and suppliers of high quality specialist local food produce.

Craft Market

A dedicated marquee will house up to 50 selected makers. Stand space includes: 6ft x 2ft trestle table, up to 2 chairs and an electricity point. Overhead strip lighting is provided. Exhibitors may use their own lighting with proof of PAT testing. No table cover is provided. Exhibitors may bring their own table however the floor space must not exceed a floor area of 6ft x 2ft.

Food Market

Up to 20 food stalls will fill Navigation Yard outside NCCD. Stand space includes a 10'ft x 4ft stall with overhead canopy, counter skirt and counter, up to 2 chairs and an electricity point. Exhibitors may bring their own table or stall. We will accept a small number of stalls that exceed the floor area as stated, these spaces are reserved for stalls that include a van/caravan.

Selection

Gifted is synonymous with high quality creative talent and all applications are judged by a selection panel with consideration given to price, market, quality of making and standard of product.

The panel consists of NCCD staff, Programme Managers for Design Factory and Design-Nation and invited curator and craft specialists.

We regret we cannot provide feedback on unsuccessful applications.

Cost

Craft exhibitors: £150

Concessionary rate for previous exhibitors and new makers graduating in the last two years
£120

Food exhibitors: £100

**** A 50% non-refundable deposit payable on invoice is required upon selection. Full payment payable on invoice is required by July 2017.***

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Application Form**

Name	
Business name	
Business address (including postcode)	
Telephone	
Mobile	
Email	
Website	
Facebook	
Twitter	

Where did you hear about Gifted?
Please details you main markets/fairs/exhibitions in the last two years?
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Please detail you main retail outlets? <i>(Craft market applicants only)</i>
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Provide a brief statement (100 words max) to describe your work and your inspiration and unique selling points. <i>Please note if selected this information will be used for marketing purposes.</i>
If you are applying as a recent graduate please give details of your qualifications, the year you graduated and the institution. (i.e. University of Lincoln, BA Furniture Jul 2015) <i>(Craft market applicants only)</i>

Please include **6 high resolution images of your work** via email or through file sharing website <https://wettransfer.com> to shop@nationalcraftanddesign.org.uk. Please make sure that you clearly label all files with your name.

Images should be 300dpi and no larger than 30x40cm. Images should be of your work and must represent the style of work you intend to exhibit and sell at Gifted. If possible please include an image of one of your previous exhibition stands.

Image title	Date	Price
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Send your completed application form to:

Katie Lowe
Gifted 2017
The National Centre for Craft & Design
Navigation Wharf, Carre Street, Sleaford, Lincolnshire, NG34 7TW

For further information:

Email: shop@nationalcraftanddesign.org.uk

Tel: 01529 308710

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Terms and Conditions:

1. Successful exhibitors must sign an agreement and pay a non-returnable 50% deposit to confirm their stand at Gifted 2017.
2. Full payment will be payable on invoice by July 2017.
3. All exhibitors must hold public liability insurance and must meet all health and safety requirements at the time of the event, proof will be required.
4. If selected at least one of your images may be used to market and promote Gifted 2017.
5. NCCD will supply exhibitor information and marketing packs to help you prepare for Gifted 2017. Exhibitors must meet all event requirements.
6. Successful exhibitors that are new to retail fairs will be invited to attend a professional development talk at NCCD in September 2017.

I accept these terms and conditions

Signature of applicant:
