

# FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

## Historic Kennett Square Presents: *First Friday Craft Market*



**Kennett Square, PA – June 17, 2010** – Historic Kennett Square presents a new First Friday Craft Market, in association with the Kennett Square Farmers Market and First Friday Art Stroll. Located directly across the street from the Farmers Market (E. State and Broad Streets), the monthly Craft Market debuts on Friday, July 9, 2-8 p.m. and closes with the end of Farmers Market season in October.

The First Friday Craft Market is a juried "makers" marketplace dedicated to enhancing the public's awareness of handmade craft while providing an intimate venue for emerging and established artists to share their creative endeavors during this unique shopping experience.

*So, what is handmade craft and why is it important?*

Handmade craft is typically functional and wearable products (i.e. usable everyday items) that have been created by a skilled craftsperson. Artisans are woodworkers, jewelers, glassworkers, printmakers, metalworkers, fashion designers, and others who create products by hand. Their products are desirable to consumers due to their quality design, environmentally-conscious materials and production methods, and affiliation with an individual, who is frequently part of their community. Buying handmade craft supports a small business, is ideal for thoughtful gift-giving, and is often the epitome of quality.



Patrons of the First Friday Craft Market will have an opportunity to meet a rotation of local artisans and buy unique, often one of a kind treasures produced within the region. The July 9th collection of artisans includes:

- **Andrea's Whimsies:** sterling silver wirework jewelry;
- **Jan Cohen:** handbags made from recycled fabrics;
- **Earth Art:** stone vessels, glass jewelry, small-scale oil and watercolor paintings;
- **Fat Spike Lavendar:** sachets, spa pillows, massage gloves, and more;
- **Estelle Lukoff:** brass and semiprecious stone jewelry designs;
- **Karen Paust:** knitted and crocheted accessories, handmade note papers;
- **And more!**

By design, the Craft Market will compliment both the Kennett Square Farmers Market and First Friday Art Stroll, providing patrons with an engaging and complete shopping experience.

## **PARKING**

Patrons of the Craft Market, Art Stroll, Farmers Market, and Kennett Flash can conveniently park in the municipal garage accessible from North Union Street (Rt. 82) on East Linden Street. Exit the parking garage on foot through the glass doors directly into the downtown.



## **ABOUT HISTORIC KENNETT SQUARE**

The Craft Market, Farmers Market, Art Stroll, and Kennett Flash are projects of Historic Kennett Square, a non-profit 501c3, whose mission it is to actively support and enrich community vitality and pride, to help preserve the historic district and small town atmosphere, to promote economic and positive, productive relationships within Kennett Square and the surrounding townships.

**Note: Use the following link to download high-resolution online artist images:**  
<http://flickr.com/gp/kennettflash/u5w1FX>

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