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# 20th ANNIVERSARY PALM BEACH FINE CRAFT SHOW INTRODUCES BOOTH TALK SERIES PROGRAMMING

February 16-18, 2024 • Presidents' Day Weekend



(Palm Beach, FL – January 18, 2024) – The Palm Beach Fine Craft Show has announced an exciting new series of informative and educational Booth Talks for the upcoming 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary event, taking place February 16-18, 2024. With varying and riveting subject matters, the Booth Talks are scheduled to take place all weekend in the presenting exhibitor's booth on the show floor. View the full schedule below and <u>online</u>.

## FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 2024



## 12pm

**Speaker:** Michelle Yozzo Drake, Artist and Co-Founder Stonington Designs

## Booth #: 2304

**Topic:** From Wood to Woven...the Nantucket Basket Inspired Jewelry Making Process

**Synopsis:** Watch jewelry designer, Michelle Drake create an artisan piece of jewelry from start to finish using traditional

Nantucket Basket weaving techniques combined with beautiful pieces of wood from Stonington Designs Woodworking Shop. Learn about the history and modern interpretation of this old New England technique.

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#### 1pm

Speaker: Leda Almar, Sculptor

Booth #: 2104

Topic: Sculpting the Head Demonstration

**Synopsis:** Explore how a portrait is made in ceramic. From modeling a piece of clay, witness the process that brings life, expression, and character to a human head.



2pm

Speaker: Starr Hagenbring

Booth #: 2211

Topic: Looking good and making a point.

**Synopsis:** Starr Hagenbring has been making exclusively climate change pieces for over a year now. This is a subject that needs to be talked about.... and why not beautifully!?! There ARE things we can do. Anyway, we can talk or communicate this is very

important. It will determine what kind of life your children are destined for.



## 3pm

Speaker: Alexis Barbeau, Alexis Barbeau Designs

Booth #: 2330

**Topic:** Celebrating and protecting our reefs; the corals, the sea grass, and all of the magical assets hidden in the oceans.

**Synopsis:** Scuba diving is like falling in love. To swim under the waves is to visit a world of magic and fantasy. All of my work is created from this beauty that I become part of when I submerge

to become one with the water. I want to do as much as I can to help preserve this.

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## SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 2024

#### 12pm

Speaker: Lindsay Morris, Owner and Inventor of Linear Clocks

Booth #: 2133

Topic: Meet the Linear Clock

**Synopsis:** Our utterly unique invention gives you a calm and elegant way to look at time. Our exotic hardwoods create gorgeous and functional wall art. But they also support people with Alzheimer's, Autism, ADHD, and more. Customizable in many ways. Your ideas welcome!

## 1pm

**Speaker:** Thomas Herman, Owner, Designer, and Artist of Seven Fingers

Booth #: 2303

Topic: The Plique a Jour Technic

**Synopsis:** Thomas Herman will discuss how the Plique a Jour Technic has been used in history and how he uses it today showcasing how to load cells with enamel to be fired into the jewelry.



## 2pm

Speaker: Anna Boothe, Artist and Owner Pate de Verity

Booth #: 2324

Topic: Pate de Verre Casting: Creating Sculpture from Lead Crystal

**Synopsis:** Pate de verre (translated: paste of glass) is a niche glass casting technique that harkens to late 19th C. France, with its roots in antiquity. Join Anna Boothe, who has employed this technique in her sculpture for over 35 years, to learn through discussion and a



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cooking show type presentation (Anna is former professional pastry chef) how she transforms small particles of lead crystal into colorful jewel-like works that capture light and appear to glow from within.

## 3pm



Booth #: 2321

Topic: Precious Collection

**Synopsis:** Kroiz will delve into the evolution of her fine art jewelry into her new "Precious Collection", exploring colors and forms with various materials and techniques. She'll share her journey as a jewelry artist, designer, and the practical aspects of building a

successful jewelry business while keeping her creative integrity.

## SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 2024

## 12pm

Speaker: Genevieve Flynn, Artist

Booth #: 2317

Topic: The Art of Process and Repoussè

**Synopsis:** Genevieve Flynn will walk the audience through the ancient metals process of chasing and repousse. She will inform the group of the tools used to raise the metal and create a design in metal.



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#### 1pm

Speaker: Matthew Addonizio, Artist and Designer

Booth #: 2306

Topic: Working by Hand

**Synopsis:** My approach to creating slow fashion, working with artisan communities, and how to reduce clothing waste through thoughtful wardrobe curation and maintenance. I'll be talking through my clothing construction techniques, showing video from

my studio, as well as slides from the fabric weavers I collaborate with in West Bengal, India.



## 2pm

Speaker: Alicia Niles and Nirit Dekel, Artists

Booth #: 2400 A/B

**Topic:** Glass, Color and Harmony: Unveiling the Artistry of Glass in Jewelry

**Synopsis:** Dive into the mesmerizing world of glass, where artistry meets adornment. Explore the harmonious fusion of the craftsmanship of glass and jewelry,

unlocking the secrets behind each exquisite piece. Join us as we unveil the enchanting symphony created when the delicate beauty of glass becomes a medium for stunning wearable art.

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## About the 2024 Palm Beach Fine Craft Show

February 16-18, 2024

General Show Days: - (Invitation or \$30 Multi-Day General Admission Ticket Per Person)

Friday, February 1611 am - 6 pmSaturday, February 1711 am - 6 pmSunday, February 1811 am - 6 pm

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#### WHERE:

Palm Beach County Convention Center 25,000 sq. ft. Ballroom on the 2nd Floor 650 Okeechobee Blvd, Palm Beach, FL 33401

**ADMISSION:** \$30 General Admission Tickets All purchased tickets are valid for all General Show Days.

**INFORMATION:** Please call 561.822.5440 or visit <u>www.PalmBeachFineCraft.com</u>

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