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Dear Crafters & Fine Artists,

Allow me to introduce myself, my name is Michael Marciante, I am the newly appointed Executive Director for the Partnership for Haddonfield (PfH). As a member of the Jury process, I am truly in awe of your artistic talents. I am excited to meet you and witness your work in person during this year's festival. Downtown Haddonfield has truly been bustling with foot traffic in 2022; the downtown merchants are eager to welcome you back for the 28th annual Haddonfield Craft & Fine Art Festival.

A few items to bring to your attention:

- As of May 4th, the State of New Jersey has banned businesses, merchants, and places of businesses from distributing plastic bags and Styrofoam containers to customers/ members of the public. You are allowed to distribute paper bags to customers (so long as your business is under 2500 square feet). You can learn more about the law here: Bag-Up Haddonfield | Downtown Haddonfield
- For those who wish to purchase reusable shopping bags, you can find a list of vendors here: <u>Sustainable Product and Vendor Clearinghouse (nj.gov)</u> Many businesses have ordered their own branded reusable shopping bags at minimal costs. Production time ranges from 2-3 weeks to 6-7 months depending on the material of the bag.
- Finally, the Haddonfield Police Department, Renaissance Crafts, and the PfH will be coordinating a welcome packet for each crafter booth to review before the festival with information on set-up/ take-down for the festival. Please be on the lookout for this.

Please do not hesitate to reach out to Maria with any questions.

Be sure to connect with us on social media (@downtownhaddonfield) and feel free to tag us when promoting the festival. Have a wonderful week and welcome back!

Warmest regard,

Michael Marciante Executive Director - The Partnership for Haddonfield