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7 places to find art, craftsmanship, and holiday gifts

Looking to buy local at an art festival, fund-raiser, market, or museum? Start here.

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Linda Leach, "Puffin Ornaments." LINDA LEACH

Sometimes the most cherished gifts are the ones you can't find elsewhere — original artworks and handmade crafts. Here are some of the best places to find everything from textiles to toys to salad bowls to paintings, made by local, regional, and national artists.

CRAFTBOSTON HOLIDAY ONLINE The Society of Arts + Crafts' annual blowout returns online this year. Enjoy artist demos in woodworking, glassblowing, and more from your living room, or pick up gifts such as cutting boards, bangles, mugs, and other handcrafted items by regional and national artists. This year, the event extends through January, so once the holiday frenzy has passed, you can slow down with a knitting workshop or pick up goodies for yourself. Through Jan. 30. https://societyofcrafts.org/craftboston-holiday-online-2021/



Ruchika Madan, "French Breakfast Radishes" plate. RUCHIKA MADAN