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## PRESS RELEASE

### TOP EASTERN CAPE CRAFT EXHIBITION AND RETAIL OPPORTUNITY “CALLING ALL CRAFTERS WORKING IN NELSON MANDELA BAY”

Crafters and designers working in Nelson Mandela Bay are invited to submit their outstanding creations for an exhibition and retail opportunity at the Mandela Bay Arts Festival 2025 taking place in the Bay from 22 February – 2 March 2025. The Mandela Bay Arts Festival is a ten-day event showcasing the diversity of our local and regional creative talent and is a partnership between the Nelson Mandela Bay Municipality and the National Arts Festival.

The Mandela Bay Arts Festival will host two craft retail exhibitions, one at the Athenaeum and one at the Mendi Arts Centre. The Craft exhibitions aim to provide both, a retail opportunity for local crafters while promoting locally made high quality craft. Craft will be accepted on consignment for display and sale.

## HOW TO ENTER

This year crafters are invited to submit work **ONLINE**. The online application opens on the 6th of November and closes on the 5th of December. To enter please follow the link <https://zfrmz.com/A7f9CalmpBD89y0AsoV0> either on your phone or PC and follow the prompts.

**OR**

**IN PERSON** at the Nelson Mandela Metropolitan Art Museum, 1 Park Drive, Central, 6001 at 10:00 to 13h00 on 12 December 2024.

## CRITERIA

The selection committee will be looking for high standards of technical skill and workmanship. Craft objects must be innovative and showcase local Eastern Cape creative spirit. Entries will be accepted in any medium or combination of media that complies with the conservation and public safety standards of the exhibition venues. The competition coordinators reserve the right to reject works which are too difficult to exhibit, move, install or hang. Crafters should provide their own special technical equipment if required. Please note that a 10% commission to cover costs to run and administer the shops, will be added to your cost price and will make up the final sale price. We look forward to your best of the best craft showcasing the local creative talent. Each crafter/designer can submit **TEN ITEMS** for display and sale.

## CONTACT DETAILS

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