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## *Just in Time for Holiday Giving* **Guidebook Captures Creative Spirit of Northern Forest**

Holiday gift giving can be challenging, especially if you're looking to find something unique for that special person. Luckily, there's a new gift available that puts the decision-making in the hands of the recipient while supporting the region's heritage craft businesses.

*HandMade in the Northern Forest: A guide to fine art and craft traditions in Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont and New York* is a new guidebook that showcases the wide variety and high quality of the region's artists and craft providers.

*HandMade in the Northern Forest* lists 365 artisans and craftspeople, galleries, craft marketplaces, special attractions, restaurants and historic inns, organized into 13 driving tours throughout the four-state Northern Forest region. Colorful maps of each route guide tourists on their way while giving them a sense of place. Underscoring the importance of heritage in the Northern Forest, each chapter includes a cultural heritage profile, sidebar articles and interesting "tidbits" about locations along the way.

Two nonprofit organizations, the Northern Forest Center and Businesses for the Northern Forest, published *HandMade in the Northern Forest* with the support of a region-wide steering committee. It's available at participating businesses, local bookstores, from amazon.com and Enfield Publishing (603-632-7377). Visit [www.HandMadeInTheNorthernForest.com](http://www.HandMadeInTheNorthernForest.com) for more information.

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If you would like a review copy of *HandMade in the Northern Forest: A guide to fine art and craft traditions in Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont and New York*, contact Shelly Angers, Northern Forest Center, 603-229-0679 x109, [sangers@northernforest.org](mailto:sangers@northernforest.org).

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