



**What to buy**

# LOCAL ARTS

**I**f you are looking for something different in terms of gift-giving this year, look no further than a local artisan. The Toledo region is a mecca for wonderful artwork, created by local artists who make their living providing beautifi-

cation for your homes and person. Items range from traditional paintings to intricate jewelry and stunning glass pieces.  
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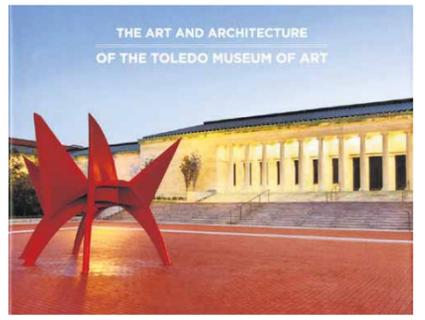
**Art to order:** Local artist Emily Finkel works in stained glass, restoring old pieces and creating unique glass transoms. She also creates fun holiday snowflakes, snow-stars, and angel wing ornaments and hanging pieces. She will also do larger projects by commission. **Snowflakes and stars, \$35-\$40, angel wings, \$70. To purchase, call 419-754-4704, or email ekfglass-works@gmail.com.**



**It grows on you:** What's cooler than a tiny living plant that you can wear? Jesse Heider, owner of Tiny Terras, uses extra small tools and a lot of patience to handcraft each botanical arrangement inside glass vials. She uses local to make local, getting her flowers, herbs, and moss from either her own garden or a local flower shop. **\$20-\$30, Handmade Toledo, Craft in Adrian or Etsy.com/shop/tinyterras.**



**The light stuff:** The Toledo Lamp Co., tucked away in the Erie Street market, makes hot, handmade table and floor lamps from black iron pipes, wood, and vintage lightbulbs to top off the effect. The shop was founded by artist Tom Shrader (and was formerly called Minimolo), and is co-owned by Denise Shrader. **\$55 to \$125 for smaller table lamps to \$275-\$425 for tall floor lamps. Call 419-407-6852, or visit toledolamps.com.**



**A past present:** The combined history buff and art lover will love a gift of notecards, The Art and Architecture of the Toledo Museum of Art. The cards feature five different architectural structures, including the museum's main campus, its Glass Pavilion designed by SANAA, and internationally known architect Frank Gehry's design built in 1992, the Center for Visual Arts. **Set of 15 cards, 5.5 by 4 inches each. \$15.95, available at the Toledo Museum of Art gift shop, or online at tmastore.org.**

**Worthy cause:** Artists at Shared Lives Studio put their all into the one-of-a-kind pieces they create and sell year-round. This nonprofit supports individuals with developmental disabilities as working artists. During the holiday season, the artists come up with all kinds of great gift-giving ideas, including these holiday-themed wall hangings made from reclaimed slate roofing tiles. **\$20-\$35, available at the downtown studio, 20 N. St. Clair St., or at its temporary studio at Levis Commons in Perrysburg. sls.lottindustries.net.**



**One of a kind:** Deep In Design artist Rachel McCartney hand-stamps one-of-a-kind ornaments, barrettes, key rings, and necklaces for customers, from thousands of metal dies, many connected to the Toledo region and its history. The company's Ottawa Street metal arts studio was founded in 2013 by McCartney, JC Christy, and Daniel Lund. **\$12-\$75. Call 419-324-4230 or DeepInDesignToledo on Etsy.**



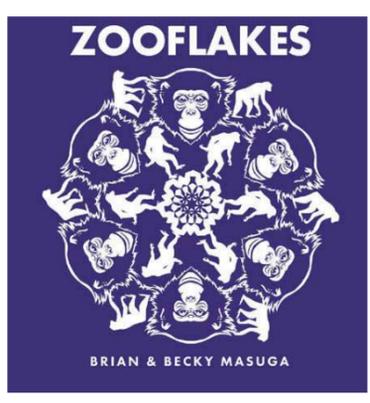
**Personal touch:** If you are looking for that personalized painting or sculpture that exemplifies fun, check out the pieces created by local artist Biz Drouillard. The Temperance artist is frequently seen on the art circuit scene, displaying and selling his pieces created from wood and other reclaimed materials. **Prices range from \$50 to \$500. Contact bizu@sbcglobal.net, to commission or buy a custom piece.**



**A touch of glass:** If you have a family member who is a collector of the Toledo Museum of Art's annual glass ornament, this year's piece, *Ophelia*, is botanically themed. Dayton native and international glass artist Bandhu Dunham was inspired to make the piece by the Arthur Hughes painting of the same name. **\$50, in the museum's gift shop, 2445 Monroe St., or online at tmastore.org**



**Sew much fun:** Oh Sew Betty is the fun name for a fun local artist venture by Jessica Crossfield. Crossfield, who also owns and manages Handmade Toledo, creates and sells clutches, purses, and totes for those in need of carrying things, whether it be a little or a lot. **\$30-\$120, available at Handmade Toledo, 1717 Adams St., or at her Etsy store under the name bettyfloored.**



**Zoo story:** Wadsworth, Ohio, artists Brian and Becky Masuga, founders of the Peppermint Narwhal creative agency, put their love of zoos, animals, and the outdoors, into an artistic picture book that supports wildlife organizations and brings attention to the issue of extinction at the same time. ZooFlakes is a compilation of the ZooFlakes series, illustrations of members of our wildlife family in the fun shape of snowflakes. Each book is printed on Forest Stewardship Council paper, and \$1 from the sale of each book supports Polar Bears International. **Target or Amazon, \$12.89, also available at Barnes & Noble, and signed copies at 1984Publishing.com/Store.**

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