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***PENNSYLVANIA CRAFT EXHIBIT OPENS AT STATE MUSEUM IN HARRISBURG***  
***Winners of juried craft show are announced***

**HARRISBURG** — Pennsylvania Craft, an exhibition of crafts made by commonwealth artisans, has opened at The State Museum of Pennsylvania with the announcement of the juried show's winners.

The Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission, Harrisburg Area Community College and the Pennsylvania Guild of Craftsmen are sponsoring the exhibit, which runs through March 19, 2007. This is the first statewide juried crafts exhibition in the commonwealth.

Winners of the show are:

**Pennsylvania State Museum Purchase Award**

David H. Brethauer, Downingtown

**HACC Contemporary Craft Marketing Purchase Award #1**

Sara Baker, Unityville

**HACC Contemporary Craft Marketing Purchase Award #2**

Philip Haralam, Lancaster

**The Pennsylvania Guild of Craftsmen \$500 Cash Award**

Gary Guydosh, Pittsburgh

**The HACC Foundation \$500 Cash Award #1**

Ed Bing Lee, Philadelphia

**The HACC Foundation \$500 Cash Award #2**

Ellen Himic, Cherryville

“This is a unique opportunity for Pennsylvania craftsmen to present their work and for visitors to see the varied and excellent talents of the artists in this exhibit,” said PHMC Executive Director Barbara Franco.

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The crafts – made from a variety of materials including wood, glass, ceramics, fiber, metal and paper – are for sale.

In addition to the PA Craft exhibition, several ancillary exhibits and programs are featured. A selection of vintage and limited edition guitars made by the Martin Guitar Company of Nazareth, Pa. is also on exhibit. The Martin Guitar Company, which has been in operation for 167 years, represents the deep roots of Pennsylvania’s craft heritage, a tradition grounded in expert handwork, innovative design and quality.

The *Contemporary Metalsmiths Respond to Katrina* exhibition features Storm Cycle by New Orleans artist Thomas Mann, who was raised in Allentown. Mann’s works are made from materials gathered from the streets of New Orleans following Hurricane Katrina and are on view through Jan. 14.

The PA Craft Conference is also taking place at The State Museum with programs through March 23. Seminars and classes on glass beads, egg decorating and jewelry-making are among the attractions. Information on the exhibit and seminars is available at [www.pacrafts.com/exhibit](http://www.pacrafts.com/exhibit).

The Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission is the official history agency of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

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