

## 9th Annual American Fine Craft Show Sarasota

Returns to Roberts Arena December 1, 2, 3

This juried show of premier craft and fine art features works in clay, wood, glass, fiber, mixed-media, jewelry and more by more than 100 of the nation's top artists. More than 20 Sarasota-Manatee artists are featured.

The American Fine Craft Show Sarasota returns to Sarasota, December 1, 2, 3, at Roberts Arena in Sarasota. The event, now in its ninth year, features works in ceramics, decorative fiber, glass, jewelry, leather, metal, mixed-media, paper, wearable art, wood, painting, photography and sculpture by more than 100 of the nation's top artists.

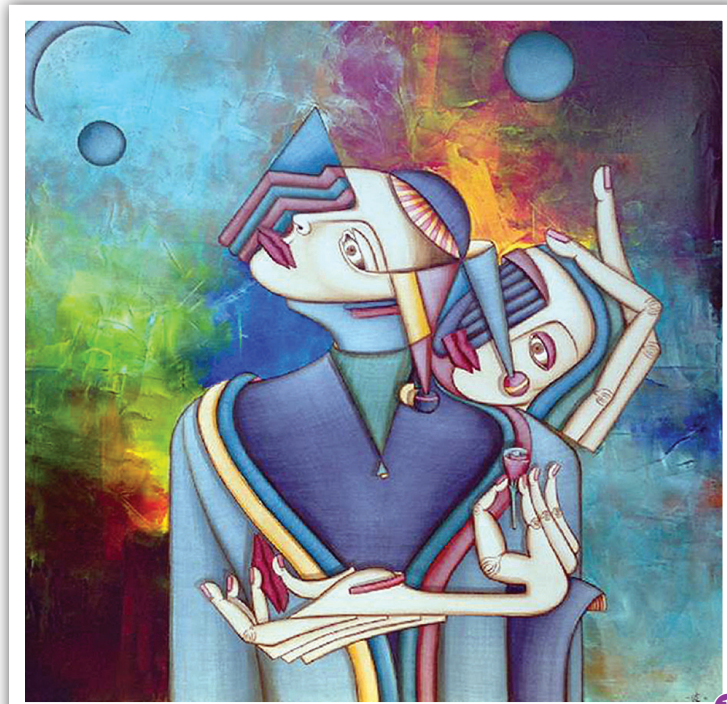
The American Fine Craft Show Sarasota is produced by Richard Rothbard and his wife Joanna, who are hailed the leaders in promoting artists and artisans working in the contemporary fine arts and crafts industry. The Rothbards have owned An American Craftsman Galleries NYC since 1982 and produce some of the most innovative fine craft shows in the country, including the American Fine Craft Show NYC, Contemporary Art Fair NYC, the Rockefeller Arts Festival in Manhattan,

the Berkshires Arts Festival and the American Fine Craft Show at the Brooklyn Museum.

"Our artists consider the Sarasota region to be a prime market for their work," says Richard Rothbard. "With that reputation, some of the best artists in the nation,

including many from Sarasota's own arts community, look forward to this show every year."

Rothbard notes that the indoor ambience offers a civilized alternative to crowded outdoor art fairs. "It's a more personal experience," he says. "You can take your time, visit with the artists, and start a real conversation about their



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- 1 Julio Garcia
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- 3 Marvin Blackmore
- 4 Michael Mode
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work. And Mother Nature won't ruin that conversation if she gets in a bad mood, thanks to the controlled, air-conditioned environment. The sun's not beating down on you—or hiding behind clouds. Artists can show their work in literally the best light."

Last year, the Sarasota Craft Show, which relocated to Roberts Arena in 2012, attracted more than 5,000 visitors



### AMERICAN FINE CRAFT SHOW SARASOTA

ROBERTS ARENA

### TICKETS & INFORMATION

Tickets are \$11 per day; \$10 for seniors; \$6 for students; and \$13 for a three-day pass. Children under 10 are admitted free.

Hours are 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Friday, December 1, and Saturday, December 2, and 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Sunday, December 3.

For directions or information about the venue, call 941-365-0818. For more information about the artists and the event, call 845-355-2400, or visit [www.sarasotacraftshow.com](http://www.sarasotacraftshow.com). To learn more about Richard Rothbard, visit [www.boxology.com](http://www.boxology.com) or email [richard@americanartmarketing.com](mailto:richard@americanartmarketing.com).