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What: Artisans supporting StGiles
Where: Tin Shed Artists Studios, 13 Russell Street, Invermay
When: 11am, Thursday, December 1

Tin Shed Artists Supporting StGiles

A smart idea by a collective of Launceston artists will benefit the children who rely on StGiles at this Saturday's Niche Market Bazaar at Launceston's Albert Hall.

Eleven artists from the Tin Shed group, who share studio and making space at Invermay, will occupy three sites at Niche, or Nichemas as it's become known.

They will bring original ceramics, painting, glass, silverwork, repurposed clothing, basketry, clay and sculpture works.

The artists represented on the Tin Shed stall will be Edna Broad, Helene (Helene) Boyer, Gayle Em, Cath Wiley, Darren Meader, Julia (Julia) Spencer, Di Targett, Glen Barrett, Jilly (Jilly) Spencer, Helen (Helen) Bower and Gill Riches.

They will be among 64 stallholders giving Christmas shoppers the chance to buy unique, Tasmanian-made and designed items as well as supporting StGiles Children's Disability Services.

“The hall will be decked and lit for Christmas, with a giant Christmas tree squeezed in someplace,” Niche manager Victoria Bayes said.

“We have worked hard to bring some old friends and innovative and fresh new faces to Nichemas for a quality Tasmanian Christmas gift-giving experience.”

This Saturday's Niche shoppers will be able to pop across the road to the Harvest Farmers' Market and next door to the Design Tasmania 40 Year celebration, Design Craft Market.

“Tamar Street will be an innovation hub this Saturday,” Mrs Bayes said.

Niche will throw open the doors of the Albert Hall at 8am and close at 3pm. Admission is free. All Niche stallholders make a 20 per cent donation from their day's take to support the work done by StGiles.

“We are truly hoping to make more than \$10,000 from this Saturday's market,” Mrs Bayes said.

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