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UNIQUE BOUTIQUE IN MARKET SQUARE GROUND SHOWCASES FINE ANTIQUES AND HAND CRAFTED ITEMS

HIGH POINT, N.C. (October 8, 2009) – After a successful launch last market, the Unique Boutique is back with even more fine antiques and one-of-a-kind treasures available for immediate delivery. In order to cater to the growing number of designers and upper end retailers that shop the High Point Market, Market Square Ground will continue to offer a destination area to showcase fine antiques and unique hand crafted treasures.

“The successful launch of the Unique Boutique during April’s Market proved that there was a demand for this category of home furnishings at High Point Market,” said Tim McGee, senior vice president and general manager of MMPI High Point. “We had a great response and look forward to its continued success at the October Market.”

The **Unique Boutique**, occupying 20,000 square feet in Market Square Ground, is a destination for exquisite antique furniture, collectibles, hand crafted one-of-a-kind items, original art and much more from companies including:

- **Antiques On Holiday, Market Square-Ground, G-4005.** Antiques on Holiday specializes in high end, fun, eccentric antiques, as well as being a direct importer of French antiques.
- **Artifactual, Market Square Ground, G-4003/G-5002/G-5003**
- **Artifax Designs, Market Square-Ground, G-8001.** Artifax Designs is a source for the finest reverse painted, one of a kind, glassware. Its unique products include trays, plates, platters, bowls, crystal stemware, wine glasses, vases, cake plates, hurricanes and more.
- **Beautiful Gems Custom Jewelry Design, Market Square-Ground, G-5006.** Beautiful Gems Custom Jewelry Design offers one-of-a-kind pieces of designer jewelry created using gemstones, collectables and sterling.
- **Botanica, Market Square-Ground G-6013**
- **Charlie Pearson, Market Square-Ground G-6011-** Eclectic timepieces, mirrors, and night lights
- **Classic Designs of Wilmington, Market Square-Ground G-8017-** Antique, one of a kind reproductions, fabrics
- **Cody Nicely, Market Square-Ground, G-40006A** Cody Nicely combines the skills of a traditional artist with the balance of the best glass blowers. This emerging artist is known for his interpretation of marine wildlife with a realistic eye and an abstract flair.
- **Doug Frates, Market Square-Ground, G-4006B.** Doug Frates offers innovative blown glass signature pieces.
- **Duane Scherer, Market Square-Ground G-8017**
- **Handbagz & Gladragz, Market Square-Ground, G-8017.** Each handbag is made utilizing hundreds of fabric samples, short end rolls and remnants collected from the factories supplying the Furniture Industry.

- **Indo Chic US, Market Square-Ground, G-6006.** Indo Chic US offers elegantly designed pieces in fabrics such as Thai silk, dupioni, shantung, raw silk and silk velvet. Pieces offered include jackets, tunics and pants designed in vibrant colors to complement a variety of lifestyles, shapes and sizes.
- **Industrial Age Antiques (Brick Pots), Market Square-Ground, G-3000.** Industrial Age Antiques purchases the rights to clear out furnishings and decorative items from old mills and factory buildings and in turn supplies designers and decorators with unique pieces of home furnishings for their clients.
- **Industrial Chic, Market Square-Ground, G-4005.** Industrial Chic is the culmination of over a decade of experience in the art of refurbishing and restoring vintage American industrial age furniture.
- **KenzArt Creations, Market Square-Ground, G8015, G-8017.** KenzArt Creations offers original artworks, open edition matted or resin coated prints and specially-commissioned pieces.
- **Kevin Scanlon/Scout, Market Square-Ground, G-7001.** Kevin Scanlon / Scout specialize in repurposing found items to create unique furniture pieces.
- **Lalo Handbags, Market Square-Ground, G-6012.** Lalo Handbags offers products that are handmade in Italy from the finest leathers and hardware.
- **Noël Skiba, Market Square-Ground, G- 8015.** Specializing in water colors, oils & acrylics in a variety of styles and subjects. You can have a colorful impressionistic or realistic painting created just for you.
- **Olde Good Things, Market Square-Ground G-2001.** Reclaimed antique architecture
- **Peach Fine Jewelry, Market Square-Ground G-8016/G-8016.** Designers and manufacturers of cutting edge silver and pearl jewelry. The Peach family is the largest pearl wholesaler in the country.
- **Primitive Twig, Market Square-Ground, G-8019.** Primitive Twig offers various handcrafted metal sculptures, pins, and ornaments.
- **Regal England, Market Square Ground –G-5004.**
- **Rhyne’s Corner Cupboard Anqitues, Market Square-Ground, G-6003.**
- **RonGo Art, Market Square-Ground- G-8006.** Original artwork and industrial antiques
- **SNK Jewelry, Market Square-Ground G-8002.** Handcrafted, one of a kind jewelry
- **Third Rock Jewelry, Market Square-Ground, G-6002.** Third Rock jewelry uses silver to combine stones, geodes, shells, fossils, and other objects found in the earth and sea to create unique and unusual pieces of wearable art. Items found in their natural environment transform into one of a kind jewelry by forging, raising, and casting, and using the “lost wax ” method along with other techniques.
- **VintageStudios.com, Market Square-Ground, G-5000, G-6000**
VintageStudios.com salvages architectural antique ironwork, such as gates and balconies, and then uses them and other found objects to build new pieces of furniture and lamps.
- **Wings of Africa, Market Square-Ground, G-8000.** Wings of Africa dedicated to helping preserve the beauty of the butterfly through one of a kind artwork created by the African community.

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