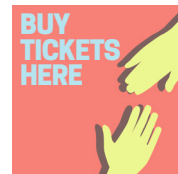


# ART APPRECIATION

You and your chosen friend will each receive:



IN ONE BASKET...

## Painting by Elizabeth Sellors

A 24"×31" acrylic painting in soft, cool greys, blues and yellows. This stretched canvas features ghostly figures deep in thought.



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## Notecard set by Seema Goel

Seema Goel is a Canadian intermedia artist from Saskatchewan, now living in Winnipeg. Her work focuses on human-animal, human-place, and human-human relationships. Using an eclectic range of materials to explore these themes, she draws from her dual background in the arts and sciences to produce multilayered works.

The images on these cards expose specimens unearthed from long-term storage in the University of Manitoba Biological Sciences Museum. The materials photographed were collected as part of research from 1950–1980 and are now part of the permanent teaching collection.

Comes with customized stamps and a pen.



IN THE OTHER ...

## Wall hanging by Ingrid Lincoln

"Isolation" is a 34"×18" wall hanging, layered with organza embroidery, featuring a single figure emerging through layers of stitching, fabric and paper pulp.



## WAG admission

Admission to the Winnipeg Art Gallery, one of the country's leading visual art museums, including Quamajuq, home to the largest public collection of contemporary Inuit art in the world.

# FIBRE FRIENDS

You and your chosen friend will each receive:



## On-line sock knitting tutorial and supplies

100g balls of Lang SuperSoxx, a high-quality blend of 75% superwash wool and 25% nylon sock weight yarn, in Blue Curacao or Mercury, needles and up to 3 hours of instruction over 3 sessions by an experienced local knitter. The sock pattern will be provided during your first session of instruction.



## Hedgehog cross stitch kit

These adorable kits from the Crafty Kit Company feature contain everything you need to finish your project – DMC Aida fabric and pre-sorted threads, colour charts, cross stitch booklet, tapestry needle and 6" embroidery hoop. Designed with beginners in mind, these are simple kits that can be completed over a weekend.



## Scarf felting kit

The Ashford Silk Merino Scarf Kit makes a beautiful felted scarf. Each kit includes Ashford's Silk Merino fibre blend of 80% New Zealand merino and 20% Mulberry silk, a silk chiffon base and instructions.



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## Solar dye kit and yarn

Long Way Homestead's popular natural dye solar dye kit includes a skein of worsted weight wool from Long Way Homestead's mill and locally harvested or grown natural dye materials. These kits provide a simple introduction to natural dyeing and are a great option for kids or adults! This includes instructions for solar dyeing and all the supplies.



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# PUZZLE PALS

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## Puzzles

IN ONE BASKET...

Chickadees and Lilacs (1,000 pcs), Ain't Nobody Here But Us Chickens (1,000 pcs), Vintage Bookshop (1,000 pcs).



IN THE OTHER...

Quilting Craft Room, Welcome to the Lake House, Adventures in the Jungle (1,000 pcs)..

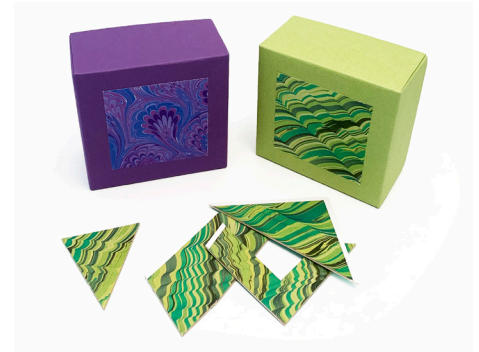


## Beer

*One Great City's Mad Scientist EyePA:* A classic American India pale ale. One Great City's hoppiest beer, this IPA has a large hop presence balanced with a strong malt background. It has a strong hop aroma and strong citrus notes partnered with tropical fruit and hints of pine. You will also find some malt sweetness in the background with hints of toffee and some alcoholic warmth.

*One Great City's Belgian Esprit Witbier:* Witbiers are unique in that they use "gruit," a mixture of herbs, to both flavor and preserve beer. One Great City has developed a subtle gruit mixing orange and coriander with a touch of chamomile for an unparalleled flavour, offering a twist on the classic Witbier: a strong citrus presence with classic Belgian yeast spice. The difference is a large chamomile addition making our Wit incredibly smooth.

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## Two marbled puzzles by Janet Carroll

Two marbled puzzles by Janet Carroll (20 pcs), a Winnipeg based artist who works primarily in paper marbling and book binding, each in a hand-folded box.



## Puzzle Roll-up Mat

Jumbo felt rolling base and tube

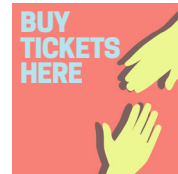


## Notecards by Earl Grey Photography

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# BOOK CLUB FOR TWO

You and your chosen friend will each receive:



## Books

*Dearlly* by Margaret Atwood: Moving, playful and wise, the poems gathered in *Dearlly* are about absences and endings, ageing and retrospection, but also about gifts and renewals. Before she became one of the world's most important and loved novelists, Atwood was a poet. *Dearlly* is her first collection in over a decade. It is a pure Atwood delight, and long-term readers and new fans alike will treasure its insight, empathy and humour.

*Treed, Walking in Canada's Urban Forests* by Ariel Gordon: With intimacy and humour, award-winning Winnipeg poet Ariel Gordon walks us through the streets of Winnipeg and into the urban forest that is, to her, the city's heart. She then travels to BC's northern Rockies, Banff National Park and a cattle farm in rural Manitoba, and helps us to consider what we expect of nature.

*The Beautiful Bailout* by Shaun Loney: Business savvy non-profits and socially savvy investors have Canada on the cusp of a social innovation breakthrough. Loney's plan is to leave the child welfare crisis, ballooning health care costs and epidemic levels of incarceration behind for good. To make it over the tipping point, governments only need to say "yes" to a shockingly simple question.

*The Maze at Windermere* by Gregory Blake Smith: When a drunken party guest challenges him to a late-night tennis match, Sandy Allison finds himself unexpectedly entangled in the monied world of Newport, Rhode Island. A former touring pro a little down on his luck, Sandy has nothing to stake against the vintage motorcycle his opponent wagers. But then Alice DuPont – the young heiress to a Newport mansion called Windermere – offers up her diamond necklace.

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## Nibblies

Crackers from Tall Grass Prairie Bakery, Labneh (a thick, creamy, Middle Eastern style yogurt cheese) by Chaeban Artisan, and Meyer Lemon & Lavender Jam by flora and farmer.



## Journal Sticky notes

Keep a daily record of life's little blessings with this keepsake gratitude journal filled with a year's worth of insightful prompts, inspiring quotes, and ample room for reflecting on all the things that make life great.

Liberty London Floral Sticky Notes Hard Cover Book features iconic floral patterns from Liberty London. This special hardcover set of sticky notes contains seven decorated pads in three different sizes for a total of 540 sticky notes.

# GOOD MORNING, SUNSHINE!

You and your chosen friend will each receive:



## Elevate Her coffee by Jacked Up Jill

"Elevate Her" is an exceptionally beautiful coffee sourced from the high-altitude hills of the Maraba region of Rwanda. Reminiscent of other East African coffees, you'll taste clean fruit notes like berries and blackcurrant, mingled with aromatic florals, evoking the flavours of tea. The lingering finish is sweet, suggesting a rich caramel.



## Northstar Tea

The black tea sampler includes 1 sample of each of the following teas: Milky Way Earl Grey (the classic blend the Northstar Tea Co. way: bergamot with a hint of vanilla and fragrant rose petals) Polaris Breakfast Blend (a classic hearty cup for any time of day with our select blend of teas and just a hint of vanilla); Fireside Chai (warming and spicy with cocoa nibs, ginger, cinnamon, lemon peel, cardamom and black tea with calendula, safflower and natural cardamom flavour – adding milk brings out the natural sweetness); Highland Fling (Northstar's tribute to the classic Scottish Breakfast Blend, and a hearty brew for any time of day).



## Bread or pastries

\$25 gift certificate. The Crusty Bun's bakers cultivate their own starter doughs and sourdoughs for all of their breads, allow for an extra-long dough rest which means more and better taste, hand-craft all breads and every single bun and pretzel, bake fresh every day, are passionate about baking and love their jobs.



## Parameter Press Colouring Postcard Set

The Parameter Press Colouring Postcard Set is a limited-edition set of five cards featuring artwork by Winnipeg's own Jordan Stranger, Kelly Campbell, Matea Radic, Taskashi Iwasaki, and Yvette Cenerini. Each artist's linework is printed in one of five Riso inks, leaving the rest of the colouring up to you. This project was realized during the 2020 outbreak of Covid-19, as a small way to create tangible, offline connections across distances. Each package comes with 5 cards, envelope and stickers.

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## Mug

A two-toned ceramic mug by Michael Lerner Pottery (one mug is natural and burgundy and the other is natural and forest green). Just right for your morning cuppa.



## Honey & wooden spreader

225 g Raw Liquid Sunflower Honey from Phil's Honey, a family business and a St. Norbert Market mainstay for more than 20 years.

Wooden spreader: Hand-carved by Maggie Chiq and the perfect size for jam.

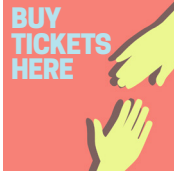


## Jaya's Preserves

Mango Pineapple Jam and Citrus Gin Marmalade from Jaya's Preserves, a mother and daughter team from West St. Paul, Manitoba, making homemade small-batch preserves using traditional methods. Arriving from India in 1970, Jayashri brought with her a rich cultural heritage of Indian cooking and food preservation techniques learned from her mother and grandmother on the family farm.

# LOOKING NORTH

You and your chosen friend will each receive:



## Soapstone carving kit

Premium quality kit made in British Columbia by Studiostone Creative: natural soft Brazilian soapstone in rich colors ranging through greens and browns, the required tools, and easy to follow French and English instructions. Appropriate for ages 8 to 99+.



## Feast

\$30 gift certificate. Feast wants each visitor to experience modern dishes rooted in traditional First Nation foods while celebrating the spirit of First Nations culture. Since it opened, Chef Christa's recipes have been featured in publications such as Canadian Living, Chatelaine, and on Food Network Canada.



## Brick Stitch Fringe Earrings Kit by Back Country Muks

Learn to make brick stitch fringe earrings. The kit includes a bead mat, 5 pairs of earrings, Nymo thread, 7 vials size 10 Czech Seed beads (approximately 22 g each), needles with threader, and detailed instructions.



## WAG admission

Admission to Qaumajuq, home to the largest public collection of contemporary Inuit art in the world, and the other exhibits at the Winnipeg Art Gallery, one of the country's leading visual art museums.



## Notecard set by South Basin Photoworks

South Basin Photoworks specializes in low light and nighttime landscape photography.

Comes with customized stamps and a pen.

# VIRTUAL VACATION

You and your chosen friend will each receive:



## INDIA

### East India Company

\$25 gift certificate, plus bottled sauce and spices made by the East India Company so that you can try your hand at your own curries once you've been inspired by their delicious offerings.



## MOROCCO

### Ras el Hanout

KarenFood's Ras el Hanout spice blend for soups, stews, dry rubs, marinades, chicken, lamb, beef, burgers, vegetables, etc. All organic. Recipes are available at [www.karenfood.blogspot.com](http://www.karenfood.blogspot.com).



## And don't forget to wash your hands!

Vintage Blends Aromatherapy's Grapefruit Soap is 100% natural, hand crafted, cold process soap made with sustainable ingredients. Contains olive oil, coconut oil, palm kernel oil (sustainable) and grapefruit essential oil.



## EUROPE

### The Crusty Bun

\$25 gift certificate. European-style breads and pastries, fresh croissants and baguettes, mouth-watering schnitzel, daily soups made from scratch, espresso – The Crusty Bun will take you on a whirlwind tour through Europe.



## Beer

*One Great City's The Queen's Best Bitter:* One Great City's extra special bitter has a stronger malt profile with a nutty finish that balances the bitterness. A large hop profile of noble hops gives the beer an earthiness and floral character; a strong malt base of nut and stone fruits, balanced with an equally strong hop character of earthy and floral tones. If you are just starting your journey into craft beer, this is an excellent introduction.

*One Great City's Intrepid NEIPA:* Heavily dry hopped to the point of being hazy with a full body. Intense yet smooth tropical fruit hop aroma and flavour and minimal bitterness. This beer might change your mind on what an IPA can be.

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## MEXICO

### BMC Market Taqueria

\$25 gift certificates. Quality, authentic Mexican tacos made with love. "At BMC Market, we are true to our roots and heritage. Our goal is to share the simple, convenient, delicious and affordable meals we grew up with in Mexico with our customers."



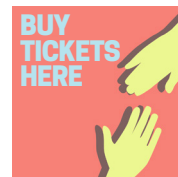
## Stationery set by Erica Swendrowski

Erica Swendrowski is an artist and landscape designer living in Winnipeg. Her work includes public art, sculptural environments, smaller objects, and studio jewellery. She hand-crafted her beautiful notecard sets using repurposed maps.

Comes with customized stamps and a pen.

# THE GREAT OUTDOORS

You and your chosen friend will each receive:



IN ONE BASKET...

## Patio sculpture by John Sullivan

A whimsical pop of colour! A tricycle fashioned of metal and coated in red will brighten any corner of your outdoor space. It could hold a planter or be displayed as is.



IN THE OTHER ...

## Mid-Century Modern Birdhouse by Brian McMillan

You'll have the best-housed birds in town! The sturdy wood and metal structure and the sleek design will have chirpy neighbours moving in in no time.



## Beer

*Falcon Blonde:* This American blonde ale is One Great City's easy drinking, most approachable beer. Brilliantly clear and a light malt character make for a great stepping stone from the world of American lagers. The aroma is slightly fruity with distinct ale yeast character and some malt breadiness which persists in flavour. There is also tight malt sweetness followed along with some background fruitiness, pear and citrus notes being the most prominent.

*Monkey Trail Pale Ale:* A classic American pale ale. Light and easy drinking bright hop character with a soft malt background. Light breadly malt character gives way to grapefruit and lemon scented hops. Taste similar to aroma, light breadly character provides a nice base to the hops, light bitterness partners citrus notes, grapefruit and lemon most prominent among them.

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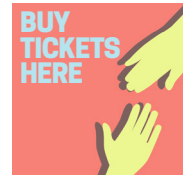
Amanda Onchulenko is an Australian and Canadian citizen, a painter, a fibre artist and a new author. She has maintained a studio practice in a 100-plus year old building in Winnipeg's historic Exchange District since 2001.

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# DINNER AND SOME MOVIES

You and your chosen friend will each receive:



## Dinner

\$40 gift card. Take-out from The Grove or Take-and-Bake options from The Canteen, plus L or XL t-shirt.



## Gimli Film Festival Package

Having long embraced open-air showings, the Gimli Film Festival dove into virtual screenings when gathering wasn't possible last year. Already the largest film festival in Manitoba, it became one of the most comprehensive online festivals ever offered in Canada! Your passes will allow you and your chosen friend to experience the 2021 version from the comfort of your homes: an international showcase of narrative, documentary and experimental feature films and short films. And you'll be able to do it in style, as you'll each receive GFF garb, a tote, and a beer cozy.



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## Notecard set by Ian McCausland

After 30 years of working as a photographer, Ian McCausland is still passionate about what he does: "The one thing that brings it all together is really connection. In this world crowded with screens, I try to create images that show human connection. As much as I love photography, it's really the art of connecting with people that I love most."

Comes with customized stamps and a pen.



And to complete your experience: snacks! Home made caramel popcorn and a snack mix.

# PAINT NIGHT

You and your chosen friend will each receive:



## Art classes

TWO ON-LINE ART CLASSES  
BY LOCAL ARTISTS



Yolanda Paulson, a multi-disciplined artist, will host a 1½ hour class featuring exercises meant to help you, your chosen friend, and up to three others to observe better what you see.

Your artistic efforts will be aided by new drawing supplies: a sketch book, drawing pencils, a blending stump and an eraser.



Ulzitugs Enkhbold, BFA, is a Mongolian artist currently based in Winnipeg will host a 1½ hour class on painting the eye. She will offer tips and tricks to you, your chosen friend, and up to four others on a date to be arranged with her.

See your visions come to life using an assortment of acrylic paints, a canvas board, mini paper samplers and a brush set.



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## Nibblies

Fig Jam by flora and farmer, soft feta from Chaeban Artisan, and crackers by Tall Grass Prairie Bakery.

Wooden spreader, hand-carved by Magpie Chiq and the perfect size for jam.



## Notecard set by Sue LeClerc Photography

Comes with customized stamps and a pen.