

Buzzfest 2016 returns to Terra Cotta this week

Terra Cotta is preparing to host its fourth annual Buzzfest Sept. 24 and 25.

It will run from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily.

The outdoor art, fine craft and gourmet food event, held on the grounds of the Terra Cotta Country Store, will be welcoming 35 local, talented artisans. Each has been selected with a high 'made by hand' standard. The result promises to be a beautiful show and sale that promotes both quality and diversity.

Terra Cotta Country Store owners Judy Vella and Bob McCloskey say the event continues to evolve and improve yearly. They are delighted with the range of by-hand products being offered.

'We are doing our best to give everyone their niche,' Vella said. 'Buzzfest hopes to satisfy the most discerning visitor with the high calibre of the selection.'

On hand will be potters, glass blowers, woodturners, painters, jewellers, furniture makers, photographers, soap makers, bakers, organic farmers, and a great selection of gourmet foods. McCloskey, who is one of the artist's participating, commented that they hope to exceed last year's 2,000 guests.

The property will be in full seasonal splendour, adorned with mums, pumpkins, straw, cornstalks, scarecrows and glorious fall colour.

Back by popular demand will be on site caterers, Lavender Blue, who will be offering for purchase a delicious lunch made with the freshest ingredients. Also returning will be talented singer, songwriter Rob Mitchell, who will performing his original music throughout the day. All female band Erin's Marlore will take centre stage with their Celtic sounds.

A selection of antique cars will be on display for car enthusiasts. For the young and young at heart, complimentary henna and face painting will be available.

The festival strives to offer something for everyone.

New to Buzzfest will be Golden Rescue, who will be on site with their Golden Retriever Ambassadors, raising awareness about responsible pet ownership and adoption services. Vella said their own Golden, Maisy, is most excited about this addition.

Detailed information about Buzzfest 2016, including a list of artisans participating and directions to the event, can be found on the store website at www.terracottacountrystore.ca