Populating Your Handmade Arcade Virtual Catalog Page

Website:

https://handmadearcade.org/wp-admin/

RETURNING MAKERS:

You already have your login name and password from past virtual markets. If you cannot remember it, do a password reset using your User Name or Email. If you do not remember your login name, first search your email for an email from "no-repy@handmadearcade.org" you might be able to find it. If you cannot remember that, email tricia@handmadearcade.org and she will send you your username.

IMPORTANT TO NOTE:

If you are a returning maker, you cannot SAVE DRAFT. You can only click PUBLISH to save your changes. This will not make your page live in a way that it can be found. All references throughout this document to save draft, returning makers should click PUBLISH.

New Makers:

An email with your username and password was sent on either November 1 or 2. Check your SPAM folder. It likely went there. The email will come from no-repy@handmadearcade.org. The Subject line is [Handmade Arcade] Login Details

And, yes, we know that the "L" is missing in the word "reply" – that was an error from the web firm that programming the virtual market and it isn't worth the money to have pay to have them fix it. :-)

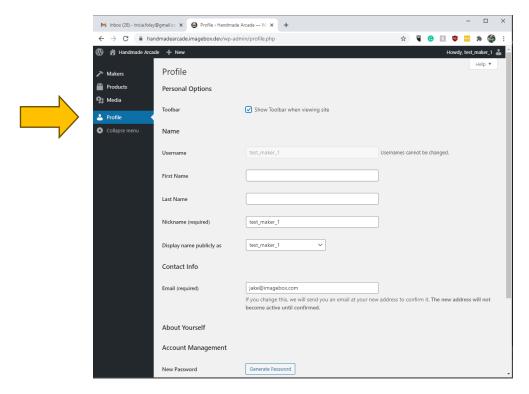
IMPORTANT TO NOTE:

Save as draft and when you have completed your page completely, then click publish.

HA will be able to review your page for you and make sure that you did not miss a step.

- Username: CANNOT BE changed
- Password: All new makers should change this immediately, as you all have the same password

Step One: Profile Page:



Toolbar: KEEP CHECKED

Username: YOU CANNOT CHANGE THIS

First Name: Enter your first name OR this field might already be populated

Last Name: Enter your last name OR this field might already be populated

Nickname (required): Enter a Nickname that you will recognize and not forget

Display name publicly as: DROP DOWN choose one

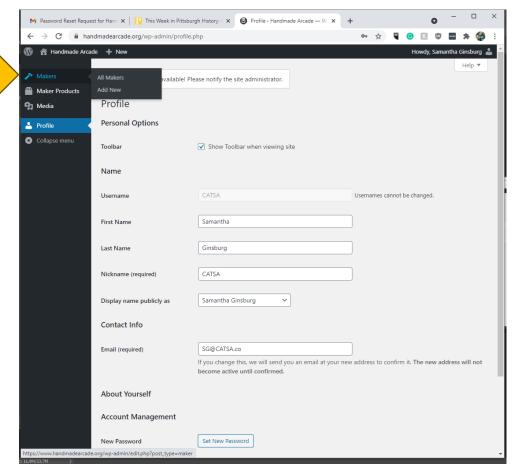
Email (required): Enter email OR this field might already be populated

You will get an email confirming your account if you change your email address.

It should come pretty quickly, CHECK YOUR spam. The emails from the HA database often go to SPAM. There is nothing we can do about that.

You should also change your password at this time.

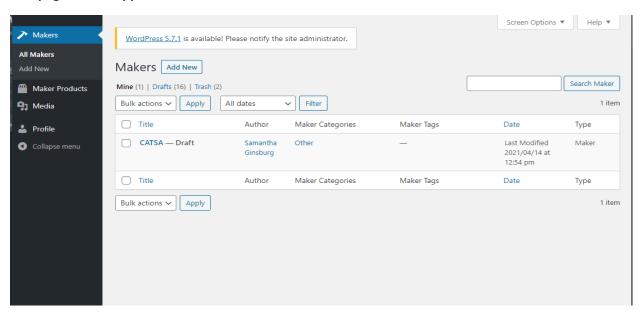
Step Two: Makers Page:

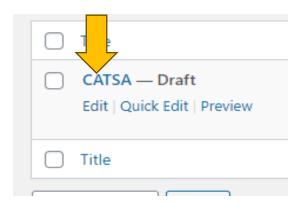


Click MAKERS or ALL MAKERS at the top of the page. Do NOT click ADD NEW. All makers have a page set up to edit – even new makers.



This page should appear:





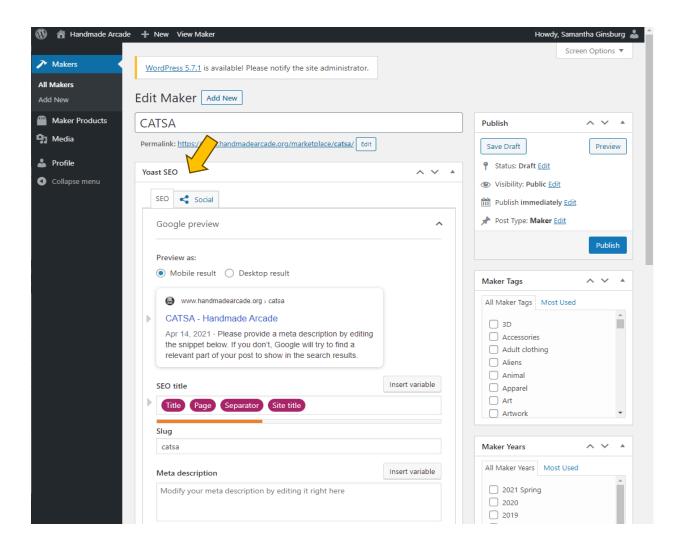
Click "Edit"

This page will appear.

Under EDIT MAKER there will be a pre-populated field with your company name. We copied and pasted this into the field. Check for errors or make updates as needed.

Yoast SEO is now on the TOP of the page. You need scroll down to fill out all the pieces of this page. This document will go through them ONE by ONE.

- 1. **SEO title:** Leave as is.
- 2. Slug: Prepopulated with your business name. Leave as is.
- 3. **Meta Description:** This is a short text block that describes the page. This is your page, use this place to describe you! As you start to type, an orange bar will appear under the text box. Once you have reached enough words to be effective in your description, the bar will turn green. If you add too many, it will turn orange again. Add a short description of your business here. Keep it in the green.



After you complete the YOAST SEO Fields, scroll down.

Note: At any time during this process, you can click the "Preview" button and a NEW TAB will open and you will be able to see the information you have added.

You will see a box with the title MAKER FIELDS. The box has three tabs.

Let's start with TAB ONE.

TAB ONE: MAKER INFO

Profile Image or Logo: Recommended Dimensions: 512 x 512px

- Click the ADD IMAGE button and upload your logo
- Check it in the circle on your maker page by clicking the PREVIEW button on the RIGHT SIDE in the PUBLISH BOX
- If it looks good, go back to the page and move on
- If it needs to be tweaked and replaced, you can delete the image by hovering over it, and an edit (pencil) or remove button (X) will appear. Click the "X" and re-upload a new logo image

MAKER FIELDS:

Website Title:

- Put your website URL here
- REMEMBER TO REMOVE "https://" and only having the www.makerwebsite.com

Website Link URL:

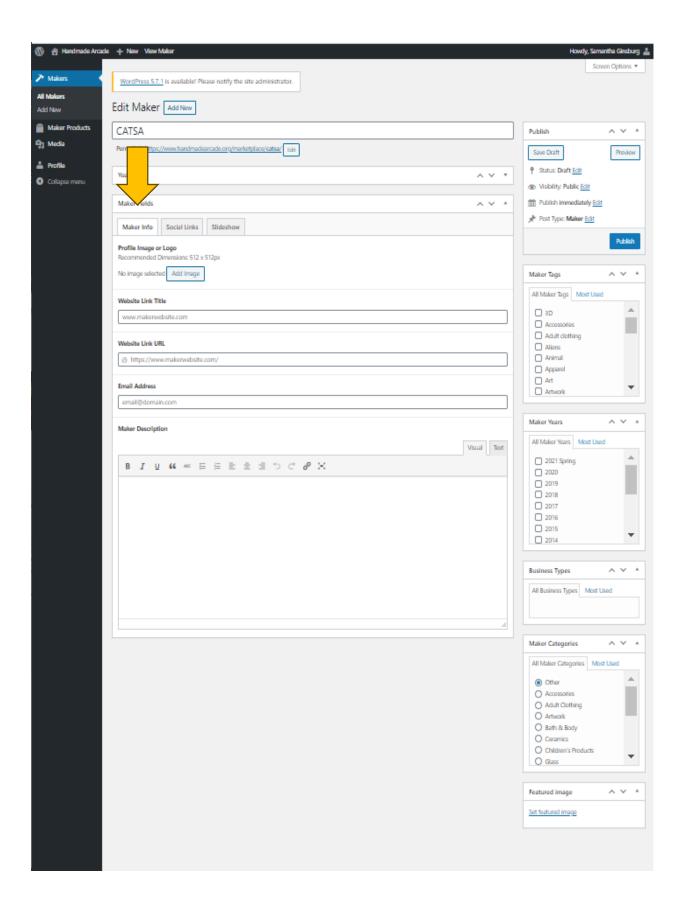
• Add your COMPLETE URL here https://www.makerwebsite.com

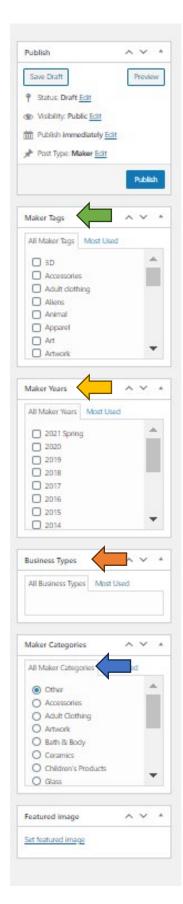
Email Address:

- Add the email address you want site users to contact with questions
- MAKE SURE IT IS AN EMAIL ADDRESS THAT YOU CHECK REGULARLY!

Maker Description:

- This is your NARRATIVE (for Info + Instructions + Sample read the "Getting Ready to Populate" PDF)
 - NOTE: Once you know your table number, you can come back here and add a line that says "Come see me at the Holiday Market at Table XX."
- **Reminder:** We recommend that you write your narrative in the first person. Keep it under 300 words.
- **Returning makers: DO NOT ASSUME this text is OK to go.** Take a minute to review this text and update it as needed.





RIGHT HAND SIDE BOXES:

Maker Years:



- Choose EVERY year you have participated in Handmade Arcade includes Spring and Virtual event years.
- If this is your first time participating in a HA event, choose "2023 Holiday Market"

Maker Tags:



- Choose EVERY tag that you pertains to your maker business
- This list has over 300 tags to represent a variety of products, if something is missing, email info@handmadearcade.org and we will do her best to update the list in a timely fashion.

Business Type:



 You can choose a business type that fits how you identify your business. We added this function after feedback from the winter event where shoppers were interested in another level of searchability. This list is not exhaustive. If you would like us to add a business type, please email us and we can add a new tyep.

Maker Category:



- NEW MAKERS: We already saved your category. Please do not change this.
- RETURNING MAKERS: Please choose the one you applied with UNLESS you were asked to put your categories in another category by Handmade Arcade organizers specifically.

NOTE: Some returning makers choose a new category this year. If you are not sure, check the <u>2023 Holiday Market webpage</u>. We have you listed under the category that you applied in or shared with us.

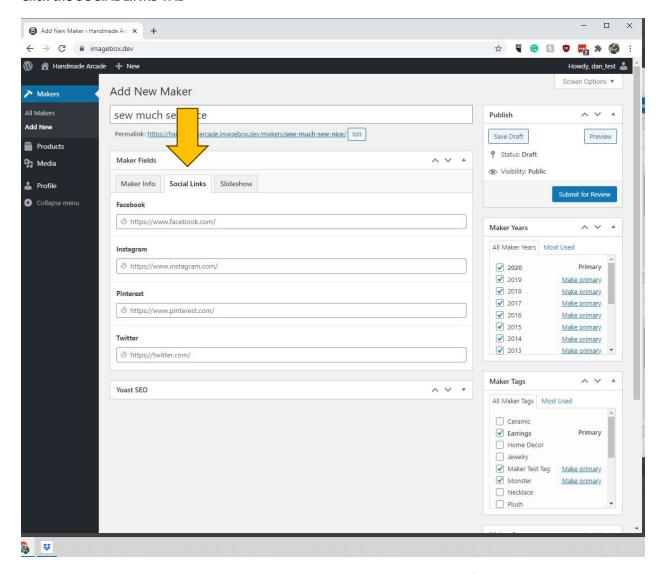
Featured Image: Do not add anything here. It does not work on these pages.

CLICK SAVE DRAFT BUTTON.

RETURNING MAKERS CLICK PUBLISH.

TAB TWO: SOCIAL LINKS

Click the SOCIAL LINKS TAB



Add the links to your social media pages. You have to add the ENTIRE link for it to work.

Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/handmadearcade

Instagram: https://www.instagram.com/handmadearcade/

Pinterest: https://www.pinterest.com/tbrancolini

Twitter: https://twitter.com/HandmadeArcade

FYI. we have not changed Twitter icon to new X icon. This is something that we will have to look into a later date as it might require hiring the company that programmed the site to make this change.

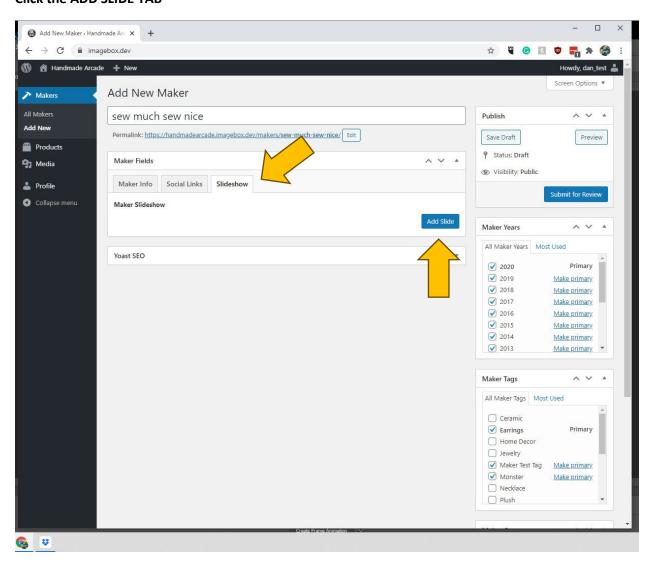
NOTE: If you do NOT have one of these accounts, YOU DO NOT HAVE TO CREATE ONE. Leave the box blank and the ICON will NOT appear on your maker page.

CLICK SAVE DRAFT BUTTON. / RETURNING MAKERS CLICK PUBLISH.

TAB THREE: SLIDESHOW

Click the SLIDESHOW TAB

Click the ADD SLIDE TAB



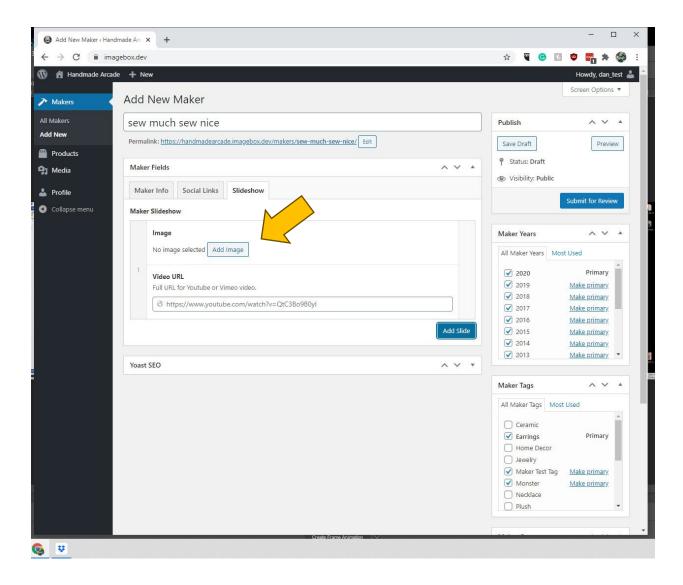
ADDING SLIDE IMAGES:

Click ADD SLIDE

The below will appear in the same way when you add a slide. Remember, only add up to 6 images.

Ignore Video URL field for now. It will be addressed at the end of the instructions.

Click ADD IMAGE



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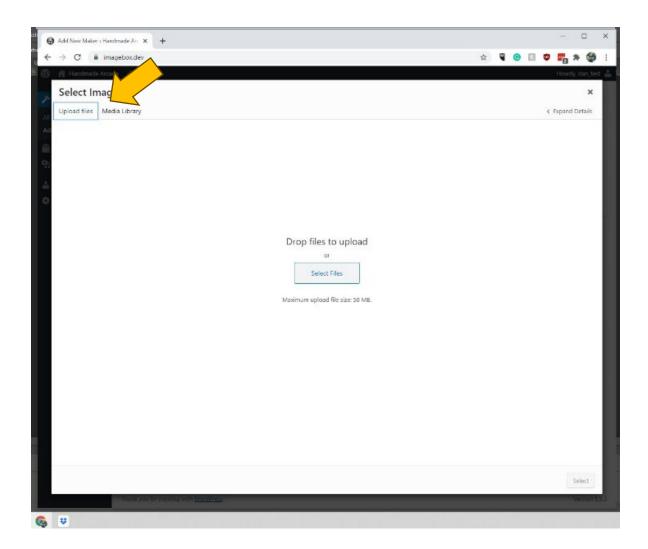
Click ADD SLIDE

Click ADD IMAGE

This screen will appear. You should not see any images if you have not uploaded anything yet.

If you do see images that ARE NOT YOURS, please ignore them. Do NOT delete them or add them to your page. This should not happen but just in case, please ignore them.

Click the Upload Files Tab

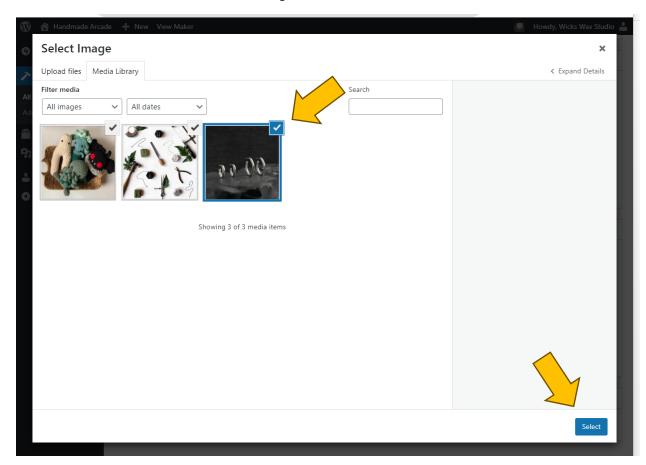


You either DRAG AND DROP your files onto this screen or click the upload button. You can upload all your images at once or one at a time.

WAIT for the IMAGE TO COMPLETELY UPLOAD. This can take a little longer than you think it will, especially if others are adding images at the same time or you are adding multiple images at once. The website is compressing larger images. Please remember to save your images for the web (72 dpi) so as not to slow down the server.

The image will appear on the far left with a **BLUE CHECK BOX** on the right corner of the image. Click the image you want to use.

Click the **SELECT BUTTON** on the BOTTOM right corner



The image will appear on your SLIDESHOW page.

REPEAT FIVE TIMES BY CLICKING ADD SLIDE

VIDEO LINK:

At this time, we are no longer hosting videos for makers. If you want to add a video, you can link directly to your web or social media account. We cannot guarantee it will load. Reminder, if you use this function, please only add FIVE slides. You can also leave this blank (recommended.)

Once you paste your video URL in this box, click ADD SLIDE. The URL will save automatically.

IMPORTANT TO NOTE: It will look like there is a video link in the box already. It is grayed out. It is there only to show you where to put the link. It is not a "live" link. Click in the field and paste your video link there.

IF YOU CHOOSE NOT TO USE A VIDEO, the grayed-out link will still be there. Ignore it. It is not a live link.

REMINDER: You can have ONE video file + 5 images OR 6 images here.

NOTE: The site may allow you to add more than 6 images, but they will NOT SHOW UP on your page. PLEASE DO NOT ADD MORE THAN WHAT YOU ARE PERMITTED. It will slow everything down and annoy the web developers and HA's executive director. ;-)

CLICK SAVE DRAFT BUTTON / RETURNING MAKERS CLICK PUBLISH.

CLICK SAVE PREVIEW BUTTON

Take a look at your work! You should be getting VERY EXCITED.

Reminder about SLIDE ORDER:

Once your slides are uploaded, and on your maker page, you can change the order. On the left of the image, there is a number. Take your mouse, and hover over the number; a directional cross will appear. When that appears, click, hold, and drag your image in your desired order.

If you change your slide order after you preview it, remember to

CLICK SAVE DRAFT BUTTON

PRODUCTS

Because we are changing the virtual component from a market to a catalog, we do not think it is necessary to add products. Last year's virtual market proved that our audience doesn't want to shop online from you. They want to preview your work (slide show) and shop from you in person.

New makers: You can choose to add products if you want to do so. The instructions are below. OR you can skip this step (recommended). If you skip it, scroll down to the page that starts with "ONCE YOU ARE FINISHED"

Returning makers: You can choose to update your products OR delete them. How to Delete Instructions below.

How to DELETE Products

In the Maker Products list, hover over the name of the product. Click TRASH, and the product will be removed. To bulk delete, click the CHECKBOX next to the "Title" link at the top of the box. Above that, there is a drop-down box that says, "Bulk Actions." Choose "Move to Trash" and click the "Apply" button.

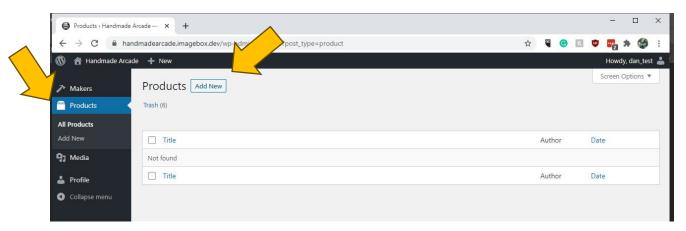
How to EDIT Products

Edit a product by clicking EDIT.

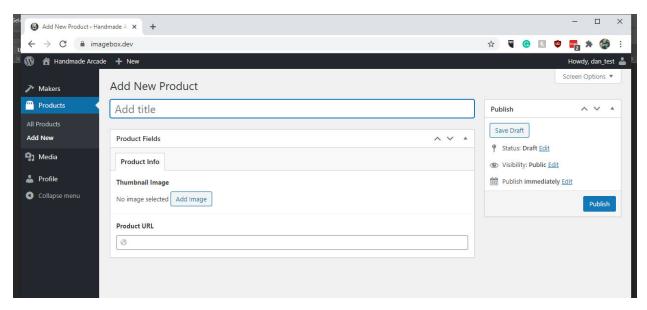
How to Add Products

Click the MAKER PRODUCTS link on the left side *note in the image is says Products only but in the updated version the work MAKER has been added. Everything else works the same.

Click the ADD NEW button



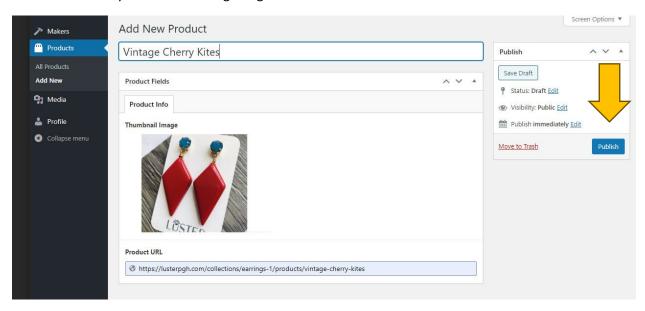
This Screen will appear



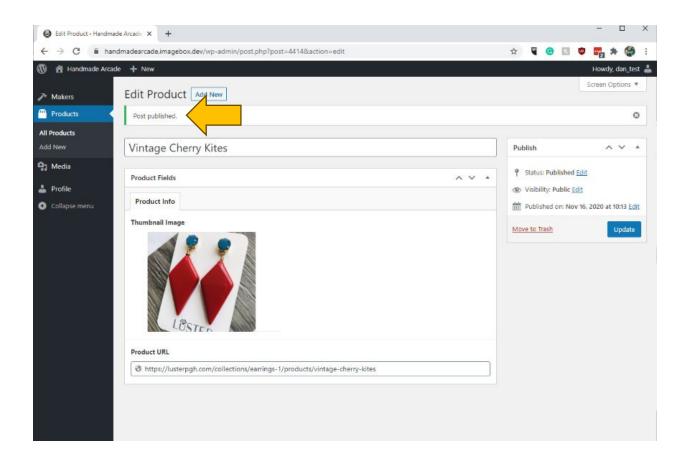
In the Add Title box, add the name of your product or image as you wish it to appear on your maker page.

Add the image the exact same way you added the slide images

Add the URL that you want this image to go to on YOUR website.



Click the Publish button

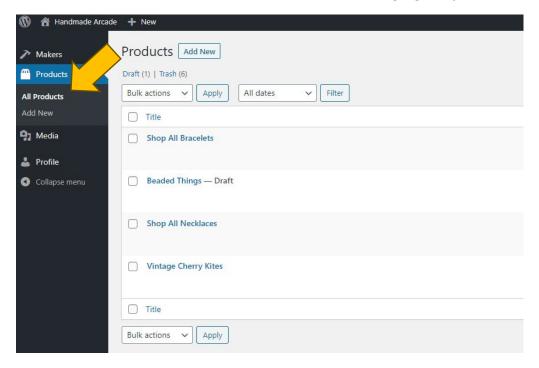


The Screen will appear with "Post Published" at the top.

Click the "Add New" button and do it NINE MORE TIMES

To VIEW ALL OF YOUR PRODUCTS

Click the "All Products" Link on the left side, under the blue highlighted products bar



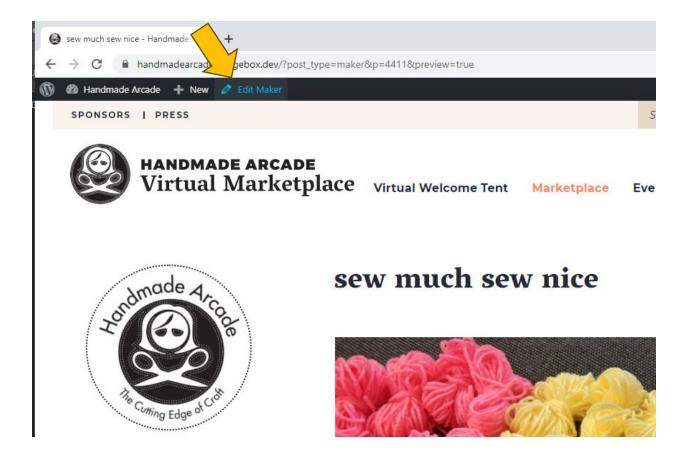
Once you have all of your products added, you can drag and drop their order in the same way you did for the slider images.

HOVER your mouse over the bar where the image name is until the directional arrow appears, click, hold, and drag.

After you are have them in the order that you want them to be in, CLICK the MAKERS link in the left menu, and find your MAKER NAME in the list. You can use the SEARCH bar.

Hover over your maker name, click PREVIEW. View your page.

To go back and make edits, at the top of the page you will see a pencil with the text EDIT MAKER



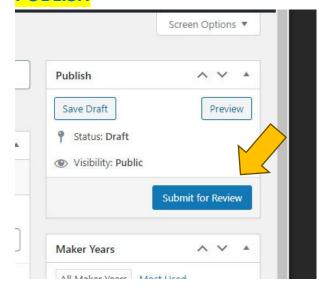
Click that make the changes and tweaks that you want to make.

ONCE YOU ARE FINISHED

Meaning, you have added:

- ☐ Company Name
- □ Logo
- ☐ Website name
- ☐ Website URL
- ☐ Email Address
- ☐ Maker Description (Narrative)
- ☐ Selected:
 - Maker Years
 - Maker Tags
 - Business Type (OPTIONAL)
 - Maker Category
- □ Social Media Links
- □ Video URL (ONLY ONE)
- ☐ Slide Show Images (5 with video / 6 with no video)
- □ Product Images with LINKS to your website (10) (OPTIONAL)
- ☐ CHECKED all your links and make sure that they work.

SUBMIT YOUR PAGE FOR REVIEW, OR RETURNING MAKERS HIT PUBLISH



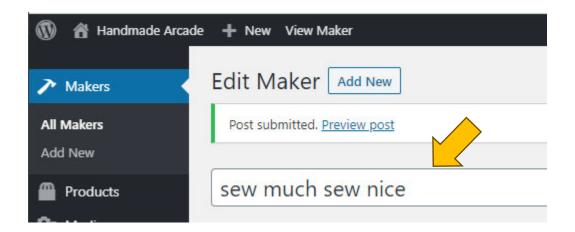
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You will know it has been SUBMITTED because this will appear.



And now, you should stand up and do a celebratory dance.

Virtual hugs,

Tricia and the HA team

PS: PLEASE do your best to populate your pages using this guide. If you run into something that you need help with, you can email Tricia at tricia@handmadearcade.org but keep in mind that she may not get back to you in a timely manner. In case you didn't know, she is HA's only employee. While she is supported by a GREAT TEAM of volunteers and a few consultants, she is the only one with access to the website backend.