

2024 Holiday Market Youth Maker Application Rubric

Makers must first meet these criteria to then be scored by the jury:

- Applicant is a “handmade business” as defined by Handmade Arcade
- Application contains at least three photos that allow jurors to clearly see products

Makers who meet the above criteria will be scored by the rubric below:

Note: We know that a lot of youth makers are still honing their skills! We will take that into consideration when jurying. If your work is handmade, we want to see it!

	5 Points	3 Points	1 Point
Craft	Work displays high-level craft and is of very high quality in skills, techniques used, durability, and functionality.	Work displays strong craft, but some details and finishes could be further refined.	Work displays very amateur quality and may be lacking in durability, functionality, technique, and/or attention-to-detail.
Creativity	Work is completely unique and one-of-a-kind. Works displays innovative thinking in terms of creative approach, materials used, and final design.	Work is very creative, though similar to the work of a few other applicants. Work displays innovative thinking in creative approach, materials used, or final design compared.	Work is very similar to the work of other makers. Work is lacking in the creativity of the design and/or materials selected. Work can be easily replicated by non-makers.

Applicants can receive up to one (1) total additional point if they fit any of the following criteria:

- Applicant would be a first-time Youth Maker participant
- Applicant is a maker who is part of a historically marginalized group of people, including BIPOC makers, makers who are part of the LGBTQIA2S+ community, or makers with a disability

Youth Maker alumni are eligible to apply for this program if they will be between ages 13-19 at the time of the Holiday Market. However, priority will be given to applicants who have never participated in the Youth Maker program before. Youth Maker alumni who have participated in the program 2+ times are encouraged to submit the general Holiday Market application.