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**BRICK STORE MUSEUM “WREATHED” IN SPLENDOR FOR PRELUDE**

KENNEBUNK, MAINE – The Brick Store Museum welcomes Prelude with its second annual Wreath Display and Silent Auction, scheduled for Sunday, December 2, from 1 to 4 PM. Those wanting to get a jump on their holiday decorating have an opportunity to bid on an array of more than 40 seasonal and themed wreaths and centerpieces that have been designed and donated by area businesses, artists, and creative community members.

The decorations include live greens and artificial arrangements, showcasing considerable originality and a variety of materials, ranging from dried herbs and shells to golf balls and even squished pennies! Salon 96 has fashioned a wreath bedecked with thirteen elves and snowmen, while The Oak...an Art Gallery has contributed a gilded wreath complete with framed photos of the Kennebunks from yesteryear. There are also wreaths garnished with gift certificates contributed by local merchants—an inventive and memorable treat for anyone on your holiday list. For example, a gift certificate toward a custom pet portrait from Santora Fine Art is paired with a wreath adorned with dog biscuits, and a gift certificate from Port Lobster Company accompanies a lobster-themed wreath donated by Saxony Imports.

The display and silent auction bidding coincide with a merry Museum Open House with seasonal refreshments and an opportunity to take in the Museum’s popular exhibitions on view through the end of the year. All the wreaths may be previewed online at [www.brickstoremuseum.org](http://www.brickstoremuseum.org), and winning bidders will be able to take home their wreaths that afternoon. All proceeds benefit the Museum’s exhibitions, programming, and year-round operations.

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*The Brick Store Museum is located at 117 Main Street in Kennebunk’s historic district. For more than 70 years, the Museum has been dedicated to preserving and exhibiting the region’s rich cultural and artistic heritage. Its galleries and research archives are open to the public year-round: Tuesdays – Fridays, 10 – 4:30 and Saturdays, 10 – 1. Admission is by donation, suggested \$5 per person. Visit [www.brickstoremuseum.org](http://www.brickstoremuseum.org) or call 207.985.4802 for further information.*