BRECKENRIDGE CREATIVE ARTS

ACTIVITY BOOK

FOR

FIRE ARTS FESTIVAL

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Fire Arts Festival
FIRE!

- This year’s Fire Arts Festival includes a range of artists working in different medium or materials. Use this book to learn about the sculptures, performances and demonstrations over the weekend!

- Use the space below to write down all of the ways in which fire can be used. BAKING, CAMPING, WHAT ELSE??????
Raku is a special **glaze** (or paint) for **pottery** (or objects made of clay).

Raku glaze is made with lead, and artists **(or bake)** raku pottery at low temperatures before transferring the pottery to a closed container with combustible materials (like paper or sawdust). As these materials ignite, unique colors and patterns form on the pottery’s surface.

How many colors can you identify in the pottery to the right? How would you describe these patterns?
LAMPWORKING

• **Lampworking** artists transform **glass rods and tubes** into other shapes with a flame. Some of the tools involved include a: bench burner, hand torch, kiln, marver, paddle, reamer, blowhose, tungsten pick, shears, hot finger and lathe.

• Ask **Todd Brower**, a Breckenridge local and professional lampworker, what these tools are! Which tools are most essential?

• Watch Todd work on Thursday, January 26th from 5-8pm + Friday January 27th from 5-8pm!
**Encaustic Painting**

- **Encaustic art** is created by mixing beeswax, tree resin and colors, and then heating layers with a blow torch. Metal tools and special brushes are used to shape wet paint and heated tools can be used to sculpt the wax once it has cooled.

- To the left, is an encaustic painting by Alix Christian. Can you come up with a title for this painting?
Candlemaking

• Although candles are no longer a primary source of light, they are still used for multiple purposes: birthdays, holidays, weddings, spas, decoration and romance.

• How many words can you spell with the letters C-A-N-D-L-E?

• Where were you and what were you doing when you last blew out a candle?
Silversmithing

- Silversmithing is the art of making objects from silver. Do you own anything made of silver?
- The picture to the left is a metal bracelet made by Martha Peterson Glomb. How do you think Martha made all of those patterns?
- Watch a silversmithing demo with Martha on Saturday, January 28th 5-8pm and Sunday, January 29th 5-8pm.
Fire Dancers

• The Dream Team Spinners use various props to make patterns that vanish in instants. These performers are trained in fire safety and have tools available like fire extinguishers and blankets in case of emergency.

• Do you play any sports or participate in any activities that are equally dangerous? What do you do to make sure you are safe?

• Come watch the Dream Team Spinners Thursday January 26th through Saturday January 28th from 5:30-8:30 and Sunday January 29th from 5:30-7:30pm.
Fire Sculpture

• One of the sculptors featured at our festival this year is Justin Gray, whose robots, Libby and Charlie, will ignite every hour, every evening. If these robots could talk, do you think they would be friendly?

• Can you find the robot pictured to the left in the Blue River Plaza? What do you think his personality would be like if he came alive?