



## Festival of Trees

Gualala Arts' Sixth Annual Festival of Trees will be held Thanksgiving weekend, Nov. 27 (10 a.m.-5 p.m.) and Nov. 28 (10 a.m.-4 p.m.), kicking off the Holiday Season on the Mendocino Coast.

The entire Arts Center will be transformed into mid-19th Century Gualala.

Highlights include festively decorated booths displaying handcrafted wares and demonstrations in both the Coleman Auditorium and the Burnett Gallery. The Gualala Arts Interest Groups will again fill the Burnett Gallery with a

wonderful display of crafts handmade by our own Pacific Piecemakers Quilt Guild, Fiber Arts Group, Woodcarvers and Woodworkers groups, Basket Makers and Beads n' Beyond. In the Coleman Auditorium visitors will discover several artists offering



their beautiful crafts, including Joan Rhine Designs jewelry, Jennie Henderson's Fancy Fibers, Jan Maria Chiappa's Which Craft Workshop pottery, Shirley Egerlund of Caz Gal Soaps, Bill and Sue Halderman's Birdhouses, Patrick Allessandri's Regimental Colors toys, Barbara Tocher's candles, and Walt Rush Studio's jewelry.

## UNIQUE GIFTS!

Upstairs, The Magical Gingerbread House offers activities and crafts for children. And, throughout the Festival, visitors will enjoy live musical entertainment, fanciful decorated holiday trees and décor, as well as daily visits from Santa Claus, along with other surprises.

Holiday cookies, breads, puddings, fruitcake and an assortment of confections will be available for sale at Mrs. Claus' Bake Shoppe & Confectionery. Local bakers and candy makers donate goods from their favorite holiday recipes (many handed down through the generations) to this appetizing shop.



## SHOP LOCALLY!

In addition, Festival-goers will be greeted in the foyer by the Old Gualala Mill Cookhouse serving hearty homemade vegetarian chili with hot cornbread, award-winning clam chowder with real sourdough, as well as fresh coffee, hot chocolate, chilled apple juice, and hot-spiced apple cider.

There are many ways to be involved with the Mrs. Claus Shoppe, and we welcome new ideas! You can reach us at 785-9302 or e-mail [phstchrs@hughes.net](mailto:phstchrs@hughes.net). We hope you will be with us this year. Feel free to pass this invitation along to your friends who may enjoy participating.

- Sue Hansen and Bobbie Penney