



Tassel Ridge Winery Multi-Artist Exhibition

Saturday, May 8, 12–4 p.m.

Tassel Ridge Winery is excited to host its first multi-artist exhibition. Come meet the artists and see their artwork displayed under a tent on the lawn overlooking our beautiful vineyards.

Barb Vaske & Christina Catron



Barbara Vaske, MFA and Christina Catron, BA

Artist Barbara Vaske is a native of Iowa and has always loved art. Receiving her BA in art from UNI, and her Masters in Sculpture from California College of Arts and Crafts in Oakland led to managing an art gallery in Los Angeles, exhibiting her art nationally, and to Iowa State University as an art professor. Wire and bead jewelry is a new art medium for Barbara. Intrigued by new materials, and using the color and textures of wire and beads to create unique, one-of-a-kind bracelets, pendants and earrings, Barbara considers them wearable sculpture. Some of her new work includes crocheting fine metal wire with pearls and crystals to create modern, yet elegant jewelry. She and Christina Catron have exhibited at the Iowa State Fair's Cultural Building for the last two years. Barbara is currently the Director of the Ankeny Art Center, a nonprofit organization that works to bring the arts to citizens and the Ankeny Citizens to the arts.

Christina Catron (Putzier) is a native Des Moines resident. She is a recent graduate of Grand View College with a degree in Art Education. As an art instructor at the Ankeny Art Center, Christina teaches her unique techniques, and develops new innovative styles from crocheted hemp string bracelets and handmade ceramic beadwork to intricate sterling silver, tarnish-free copper, and natural gemstone pieces. From simplistic elegance to sheer modern creations, Christina enjoys seeing her custom designs out on the town, stating, "Jewelry should be functional, beautiful, and elegant". Christina has displayed her wearable art at the Galleria of Pella, and she and Barbara Vaske have exhibited at the Iowa State Fair's Cultural Building for the last two years.