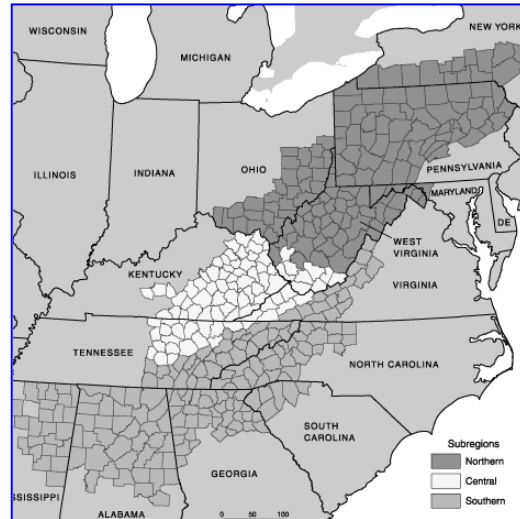


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TAAS Gallery expands its artisan acceptance to Central & Southern Appalachian Region as it gears up for national distribution.

Beginning June 1, 2009 TAAS Gallery will accept artisans members from areas of Kentucky, West Virginia, Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Mississippi and Alabama that are in the Appalachian region.

“I believe that creating artisan handcrafts in the Appalachian region is the next big factory, only the factory floor is in each individual’s workshop” said Dru Heldman – CEO for Pinwilz Company. “The products need a better way to get to market so that the artisan can concentrate on the artistry and spend less time selling. TAAS Gallery has developed methods and has the goal of building an extended network of dealers around the country.”



Upon successfully increasing its membership, TAAS Gallery will launch a dealer program and sell Appalachian made products in other parts of the country. The owners of the company have estimated that it will need a larger inventory to keep up with the demands and said that they expect to build membership of over one thousand artisans in the next two years. An area of its new operation in Downtown Old Fort, NC, a state Rural Center funded reuse and restoration project will be used as a distribution center for operations of the National product distribution.

More information is available on the website www.taasg.com

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