

High School Sweethearts Now Business Partners

M+S Designs and The Art Creativity Studio opened their doors to the public a few months ago in Industria, Gansbaai, specializing in 100% handmade products ...

their slogan being: "Your Ideas, Our Creations".

Owners, Mark and Shirley (M+S) were sweethearts at high school in 1983, followed their own ways after

school, but stayed in touch throughout the years and as fate would have it rekindled their love for each other after 30 years.

Mark had been involved in the ventilation and aircon industry, which evolved into laboratory design and installation for several years. Shirley had been a nursery school teacher in Abu Dhabi and when she came back to Cape Town, looked for an opportunity other than being a teacher, so she and her sister-in-law designed and managed an online parenting magazine. Shirley always had a love for arts and crafts and rather decided to pursue that, which developed into selling unique online gifts. Since woodworking has always been Mark's hobby, the idea of setting up "shop"

together came naturally and hence the opening of M+S Designs @ The Art of Creativity Studio became a reality not a dream.

"Sustainable and reclaimed wood is used to create bespoke (custom-made) lifestyle décor, from the dining room table to products on the table, headboards, Japanese screens, vinyls, stencilling, all sorts of paper craft, such as seed embedded cards, calendars, posters, bunting, etc. for weddings, kitchen teas, birthdays and more, we can design and manufacture it for you," says Shirley.

M+S Designs repeat loyal customers include, but are not limited to Springfontein Wine Estate, Walker Bay Wine Estate and Yolandi Living Life.

Tertia Slabbert

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