

# 1stdibs Founder Michael Bruno Launches Tastemakers Guide Showcasing Upstate NY Arts Destinations and Small Businesses

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Kykuit, the John D. Rockefeller Estate, Pocantico Hills, Mt. Pleasant, NY

*Wikipedia*

Art and design world veteran and [1stdibs](#) founder, Michael Bruno has launched a new online platform, [Tastemakers Guide](#), aimed at supporting small businesses in Upstate New York. The site features a curated selection of 300 businesses in the art, design, antiques, cultural and natural worlds that now more than ever need the support from

patrons of the arts and historic institutions. As the world reopens, this guide will make it easy for residents and visitors to find out who is open, what they are offering and ways to contribute - even from afar. (This service is offered to these businesses free of charge.)



The Gilded Owl, Hudson, NY

*Instagram*

Tastemakers Guide allows virtual visitors to start searching, dreaming, saving favorite places and making inquiries to the businesses on their wishlist. Businesses can easily share their status and “Updates from the field.” In addition, each week a different business owner will be featured in a Q & A with Ana Hito, formerly of Goop, to bring awareness to new developments.

With short travel adventures perhaps around the corner, the countryside just north of New York City is an ideal and art-filled escape, from browsing galleries and grabbing lunch to a day trip spent between museums and historic sites such as Kykuit, the Rockefeller Estate. (Note, check each place's open status online.) View the [Tastemakers Guide](#) here.