"Leave all the Shitake behind!"

By Nicollete Ficca



Nicolette is a 26 year-old local artist from Harford County, MD. She has family in the Kennett Square area, but came to the Mushroom Festival for the first time in 2023 and fell in love. Nicolette has always loved creating art, but started her small business called Nan's Art from the Heart in 2020. She specializes in pet portraits, but really enjoys painting and creating anything at all!

When Nicolette's not creating, she works full-time as a night shift nurse in an Emergency Department in Towson, MD. At home, she lives with her boyfriend, their two rescue pups Maple and Kahlua, and their cat Gia. Nicolette loves to spend time with her family and friends, and really enjoys the little things in life.

Nicolette's mushroom is inspired by her and her family's love for the beach. Some of her favorite memories include family beach trips, and being in the ocean all day. She also loves mermaids, sea turtles, starfish, and pretty much anything you might find near the beach!

You can see Nicolette's other work on her Instagram page #Nansartfromtheheart and her Facebook page Nan's Art from the Heart.