

# Original Heide: **Building On A Legacy Of Excellence**

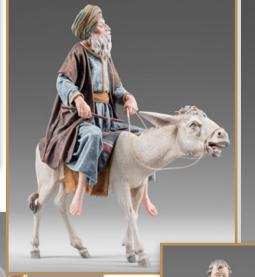


t Navidad, our focus is always on "THE ART OF THE NATIVITY". And the exceptional craftsmanship and stunning artistry of all the work from the studios of Original Heide in the foothills of the Italian Alps is simply breath-taking. To enjoy so much that's new for 2022, as well as timeless classics in the Immanuel and Rustika Collections, visit our website at navidadnativities.com and click on Heirloom Figures and Original Heide.











## From The Studio: The St. Francis Nativity & The Shepherd's Stable





The **St. Francis Nativity** is our unique and intimate grotto design, typical of the hillsides in Umbria where St. Francis lived and preached. Nestled on a solid cherry base, the all wood, highly detailed custom nativity includes 21 beautiful figures, carved from Mountain Maple, hand painted in rich oil colors, and part of the Comet Collection from the studios of ULPE Wood Art in Val Gardena in the Italian Alps. Also included, directly behind the Christ Child is St. Francis. The Joseph figure is approximately 5" high. For more information or to purchase, visit <u>navidadnativities.com</u> and click on Exquisite Scenes.

For the cozy **Shepherd's Stable**, this one-of-a-kind, elegantly simple design is crafted entirely of wood, with the shed nestled into an outcropping of hand carved stone. The 17 Mountain Maple, carved wood figures nestled on a solid cherry base are from the Comet Collection at ULPE Wood Art Studios in Val Gardena, in the Italian Alps and are all hand painted in glowing oil colors. For more information or to purchase, visit <u>navidadnativities.com</u> and click on Exquisite Scenes.

### A Magnificent Passion For Collecting



These stunning cartapesta nativity figures date to the late 1940's, 50's and early 60's. Cartapesta is form of paper mache and was a primary material for nativity figures made in Italy during that time. This collection features the studios of Fontanini and Euromarchi, both from the town of Bagni di Lucca in Tuscany. The collection has compiled over a period of nine years and features many very rare pieces, including figures that were never even available in the U.S. Each figure is hand painted in wonderful, vibrant colors. Many of the villagers are dressed in traditional Italian peasant clothing and represent daily life in the villages, feeding chickens, washing clothes, spinning yarn, fishing and other trades. The figure size is 30 cm/12". A unique nativity setting featuring early Roman Imperial architecture blended with Jerusalem is currently being designed. The figures are part of the extensive collection of over 475 nativities of A.J. DiAntonio, partner of Navidad Nativities, Inc.

## **NEW!** Discover The MangerMen Marketplace!

Often times in our travels we come across some rare or unique finds. Limited inventories, one-of-a-kinds, close-outs or estate sales. These items change frequently in our inventory, and are in stock ready for immediate shipment. Below are several examples. Visit www.navidadnativities.com/heirloom-nativity-figures/mangermen-marketplace/ to see the complete inventory currently available.

Check back often. No minimum orders.









## **Navidad Visits The National Christmas Center**

n Elizabethtown, PA, over 18,000 square feet of nostalgic Christmas décor in lights, trees, stores, and more with 17-foot-tall buildings replicate the streets of Columbia, Pennsylvania decked out in 1950's Christmas themes. Sights, sounds, and smells of Christmas tantalize the senses and awaken the memories of times gone by. While currently in grand temporary quarters, the permanent home of the National Christmas Center will be housed in 40,000 sf of the future restored Barns of Belmont. For more information, visit.stonegablesestate.com/national-christmas-center.



Tripi terracotta, Sicily



A traditional cut out paper nativity.



A.J. & Michael in front of the Nativity Maker Shop.



A complete Woolworth's 5 & 10 Cent Store



A German woodcarving with a nativity theme.



Woolworth's nativity figures all in a row.



The Promenade of Holiday Shops.

#### **Order NOW For Christmas delivery!**



**ITALY: ULPE Wood Art** 



#### **GERMANY: Marolin Nativities**

Just a friendly reminder that we do not stock figures or sets here in the U.S. So for the best selection from any of our European studios, it's always best to order early...plus there are no last minute shipping hassles both internationally and domestically. A reminder also that the minimum order is \$300. and that we receive every shipment here in Pennsylvania and inspect it before sending it on to you.



**NEW**! The Original Heide story in a beautiful hard back 120 page coffee table book. Only \$29.99 plus tax. Order by visiting any Original Heide category under Heirloom Figures on our website.



Michael J. Stumpf & A.J. DiAntonio

#### Studio Feature: Rowi's Moderna



Rowi's very expressive figures are truly unique and are simply stunning in their contemporary simplicity. Selva Gardena, home to Rowi Sculptures, where German, Italian and Austrian influences merge, is one of the most famous and popular villages in the entire Alpine region. Moderna is one of their newest creations. To see more of their work, click on the tab HEIRLOOM FIGURES on our website. For more info on Moderna, give us a call.

#### **We Specialize In Custom Commissions**



Each year we produce a limited number of custom commissions for clients, using our figures or theirs. They vary from table top like the wedding gift above to large installations for churches or museums. We welcome your inquires. You can see more of our work on our website under 'Unique Nativities'.