



WicksnCandlesticks LLC is a member of the following professional organizations: The National Wedding Professionals Association Incorporated, Charlotte Chamber of Commerce, International Guide of Artisans, and the Nature Conservancy.



The National Wedding Professionals Association, Inc.:

The National Associations of Wedding Professionals consists of wedding vendors in the wedding industry that provides products or services to brides and grooms for their wedding event.



Charlotte Chamber of Commerce of Charlotte, Michigan:

The Charlotte Chamber of Commerce wishes to extend a most gracious welcome to our historical and charming communities. Located in the heart of Eaton County, the Charlotte Chamber encompasses the City of Charlotte and surrounding townships of Eaton, Carmel and Benton and the communities of Olivet, Bellevue, and others. The area retains a rural atmosphere but is ideally located so that educational, cultural and recreational amenities are easily accessible. Various community organizations, historical societies, churches and a variety of local events and festivals add to our small-town charm (Charlotte Chamber of Commerce, 2009)."

For more information regarding Charlotte Chamber of Commerce, please visit their website at <http://www.charlottechamber-mi.org/>.



International Guild of Artisans History:

In 1965 Mrs. Edward Tollefsen of Kearney, Nebraska founded the International Guild of Candle Artisans. "The idea to start a candlecrafters association came to me as I read Ruth Monroe's CandleGlo Magazine. She seemed so much like myself, an amateur anxious to share her knowledge with others...Ruth was so enthusiastic that she immediately printed my name and address. Then Mr. Wilson of Wick Magazine offered his facilities and services. After the publicity in these two magazines inquiries began coming in faster. We were soon giving birth to

our new baby, the candlecrafters' guild." With the help of the two magazines, interested parties were invited to an organizational meeting at Kearney, Nebraska. The name IGCA was chosen officers elected. Two days were spent listening to informative talks on all aspects of candle making and a constitution was adopted. A convention was planned. The IGCA became incorporated as a non-profit corporation in September of 1969.

The benefits to our memberships are:

- The IGCA convention where it covers topics such as candle making, business workshops, members candle competition, and the transaction of the organization business;
- Sharing ideas within the candle artisans community;
- Regional workshops;

For more information regarding the International Guild of Candle Artisans, Inc. visit their website at www.igca.net.



The Nature Conservancy:

The Nature Conservancy is the leading conservation organization working around the world to protect ecologically important lands and waters for nature and people. This organization has protected over 119 million acres of land and 5000 miles of rivers worldwide. Globally it operates 100 marine conservation projects, which protects habitats, grasslands, and coral reefs. The organization continually addresses threats to conservation involving climate change, fire, fresh water, forests, invasive species, and marine ecosystems (Nature Conservancy, 2008).

For more information regarding the The Nature Conservancy please visit their website at www.nature.org.



International Wedding Planning Professional:

The International Wedding Planning Professional certification was earned through the QC School of Wedding Planning with a specialty in Wedding and Event Planning. This organization has been in business for over twenty years and has one of the highest possible consumer satisfaction standing (A+) with the Better Business Bureau in the United States and Canada.

For more information regarding the QC School of Wedding Planning please visit their website at www.qcweddingplanning.com