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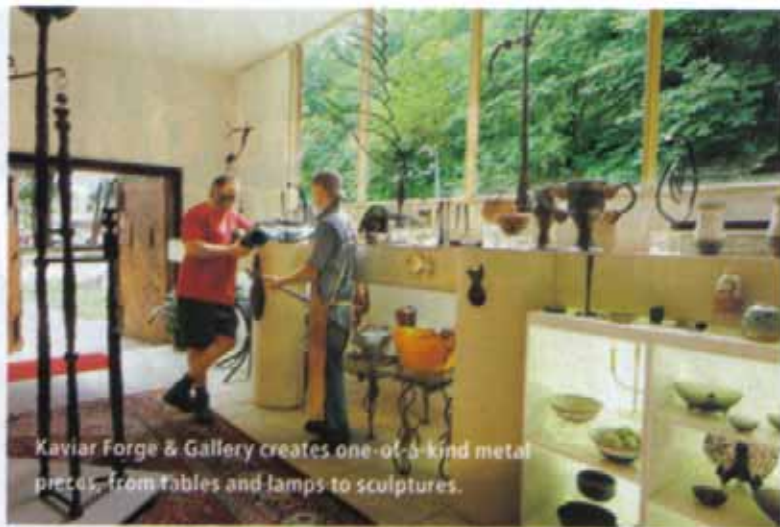
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Kaviar Forge & Gallery creates one-of-a-kind metal pieces, from tables and lamps to sculptures.

Hot Stuff in Louisville

Check out the artsy side of the city at these two terrific galleries.

Days can turn chilly during November in Kentucky, and there's no better way to warm up than by visiting two of Louisville's artistic hot spots. Both Flame Run Gallery and Kaviar Forge & Gallery promise that no matter the outside temperature, you can leave your coat in the car.

Blown Away at Flame Run

Walk into this 13,000-square-foot facility, and feel the hot breezes coming from roaring ovens while artists dart among them. Here's where Flame Run owners/artists Brook White and Susie Slabaugh-White transform molten glass into delicate works of art. Make yourself comfortable, and watch as a bowl or figurine takes shape on the end of a long metal pole.

Then wander on over to the gallery side of Flame Run to see the finished products of several resident artists who make their wares here. Stunning glass bowls cost \$450, but you can also pick up a colorful paperweight for \$40.

Before leaving, make an appointment to create your own holiday ornament (\$35), starting the Friday after Thanksgiving and lasting until just before Christmas.

Heavy Metal

Another gallery and working studio welcomes visitors to funky Frankfort Avenue. Kaviar Forge, headed up by metalworker/sculptor Craig Kaviar, creates large pieces, such as architectural gates, lighting fixtures, and furniture. Forges fueled by gas, coal, and even waste vegetable oil bring to mind the steadfast blacksmith, but you won't find any mundane horseshoes here.

Check out the wine bottle holders (starting at \$45) or fantastic étagères and sculpted iron tables. Some of the most delightful pieces, such as custom-made hinges, are functional as well as beautiful. A sculpture garden holds even more of Craig's work.

After exploring Kaviar Forge, walk across their parking lot to North End Café; www.northendcafe.com. The hearty chicken and dumplings promise to whisk away any remaining chill in the air.

Flame Run: www.flamerun.com or (502) 584-5353. **Hours:** 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Monday-Saturday or by appointment. **Kaviar Forge:** www.craigkaviar.com or (502) 561-0377. **Hours:** 1-6 p.m. Thursday-Friday, noon-4 p.m. Saturday. ♦