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General Goods of Andover recently held a trunk show featuring the Natural Elegance jewelry collection created by the artists of The Arc of East Middlesex and the Center for Emerging Artists. Jenn Levental (seated at right) of General Goods, hosted the show, with a percentage of the store's merchandise sold during the trunk show donated to EMARC.

In addition to the trunk show, the Center for Emerging Artists work is on display at the Andover Branch Office of The Savings Bank until April 8th. The Natural Elegance jewelry will also be available for sale at General Goods until that date.

Maria Consoli, (left) Branch Manager of the Andover Office of The Savings Bank visited General Goods to look at the jewelry line with (second from left to right) artist Todd

Dehart, Center for Emerging Artists Director Amy Ruitter, artists Hoang Nyugen and Mo Taha.

Natural Elegance's studio is part of the Center for Emerging Artists, a program that fosters the artistic talents of individuals with disabilities. The Center is supported by the Massachusetts Department of Developmental Services, the Massachusetts Cultural Council, the families of the Arc, and the efforts and contributions of the public. Through a collaboration among the artists and a professional jewelry designer, the artists are able to create unique and exclusive fine jewelry designs that are easy to wear. Natural Elegance's jewelry designs range from casual to elegant, combining high quality materials with exceptional craftsmanship. High quality findings like sterling silver and pewter are used to complete each piece.

For information about the Center for Emerging Artists, or the exhibition at The Savings Bank, contact Heather Weikel at 781-942-4888, ext 5029 or ceapromo@thearc.org.