National Jewelry Institute at The Forbes Galleries

DESIGNER SHOWCASE

And Carnegie Museum of Natural History



Cartier
Tête de Panthère Ring
Yellow gold, black lacquered spots,
onyx, peridot
www.cartier.com



Lorenz Bäumer

Moray Eel Brooch
Purple sapphires, Australian pearls,
freshwater pearls, white diamonds, white gold
www.lorenzbaumer.com



Elyssa Bass
Butterfly Ring
18k gold,
chocolate diamonds
www.elyssabassdesigns.com



Leila TaiFoliage Bracelet
18k gold, Burma rubies, enamel
www.leilataidesign.com



Vhernier
Bridge Bracelets
Rose gold, turquoise, white diamonds
www.vhernier.com

The National Jewelry Institute presents DESIGNER SHOWCASE, an exhibition featuring the work of nearly 40 individual designers, at The Forbes Galleries from April 25 through June 28, 2008. Guest curators are Beth Rudin DeWoody, Saks Fifth Avenue and World Gold Council. The exhibition will display the creations of jewelry designers who work in gold, precious metals and gems. The works of these designers are marked with an individual design approach, which is the driving force behind DESIGNER SHOWCASE. The exhibition will feature such legendary firms as Cartier and Gucci, along with pieces by Roberto Coin, Leila Tai, Stephen Webster, Mia Fonssagrives-Solow and many others.

After the show closes in New York, it will travel to Pittsburgh's Carnegie Museum of Natural History, where it will reside from July 19, 2008 through January 18, 2009. —Brian Scott Lipton

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Stephanie Albertson Mushroom Dome Ring 22k gold, white diamonds www.stephaniealbertson.com



Giorgio Armani Rockstar Ring Red gold, rubellite, colored sapphires, tsavorite www.giorgioarmani.com



Cynthia Bach Chandelier Earrings 18k gold, white diamonds www.cynthiabach.com



Bulgari
Parentesi Bracelet
18k white gold, white diamonds
www.bulgari.com

"Jewelry is
one of
fashion's most
enduring statements
and a true
expression
of personal style."
—Saks Fifth Avenue



Tanya Farah Scrolling Flower Necklace 18k gold, champagne diamonds tanyafarah@aol.com



Roberto Coin
Meteorite Parure
18k white gold,
cognac diamonds, champagne
diamonds, white diamonds
www.robertocoin.com



Gurhan Willow Necklace 24k gold www.gurhan.com



Adria de Haume Sunflower Brooch Yellow tourmaline, freshwater stick pearls, canary diamonds, cognac diamonds www.haume.com



Marco Bicego
Confetti Collection Bracelet
18k gold, white diamonds
www.marcobicego.com

"Gold is a rare and precious metal that has always symbolized wealth and power. Its unique cultural persona evokes majesty, divinity and treasure. It is the only element whose beauty is equally as enduring as its value. This beautiful, profound metal is a luxury that all of us strive for."

—World Gold Council



Lydia
Courteille
Monkey Business Bracelet
Black gold, rubies,
green garnets
Lydia-Courteille@wanadoo.fr

Enigma Lion Bracelet Pink and white gold, white diamonds, black onyx www.enigma.info



"I like to ornament myself with beautiful jewelry, and I also like jewelry as a decorative object just to collect and look at."— Beth Rudin DeWoody

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Marchak Morgane Ring White gold, garnet, white diamonds www.marchak.fr



Katy Briscoe Hope's Cuff 18k yellow gold www.katybriscoe.com



Dominique Cohen
Set of Bangles
18k yellow gold, 18k black gold, white diamonds, cognac diamonds
www.dominiquecohen.com



Sandra Müller
Nectar of Life Earrings
18k yellow gold, natural Colombian
Trapiché emeralds, yellow diamonds,
green diamonds, white diamonds
www.sandramuller.com



Fabio Salini Crystal Necklace Sapphires, white diamonds, rock crystal, white gold www.fabiosalini.com



Cinta by John Hardy
Kick Cuff
Rhodium-plated 18k white gold, moonstone,
violet spinel, aquamarine, blue and violet sapphires,
blue topaz, violet amethyst
www.johnhardy.com



Utopia
Ring
White gold, white diamonds,
Tahitian pearls, rubellite
www.utopia-jewels.com





Tracey Zabar
Kitchen Sink Charm Bracelet
Gold, enamel, white diamonds, gems, pearls
212-877-3270



Gucci
Flora Ring
18k yellow gold, blue
sapphires, white diamonds,
emeralds
www.gucci.com



Steven Zale Malibu Ring 18k white gold, white diamonds www.zalemark.com



Stephen Webster
Poison Ivy Collar
18k yellow gold,
bullseye, quartz,
white diamonds
www.stephenwebster.com

"Gold jewelry has always been sought after for its beauty, its luster and its value. It feels good to wear because it is warm, radiant and beautiful. Because it does not rust, tarnish or corrode, gold lasts forever and is often a tangible memento that is passed down from one generation to the next."

-World Gold Council



Zaffiro
Hydrangea Series Ring
22k yellow gold, champagne
topaz, cognac diamonds,
white diamonds, pink sapphires
www.zaffirojewelry.com



Ippolita Mosaic Bib Necklace 18k gold www.ippolita.com

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Irene Zelinsky
Necklace
24k gold,
Russian emerald, emeralds
izel007@aol.com



Joan Hornig Charlotte's Web Bracelet 18k gold, freshwater pearls, white diamonds, peridots www.joanhornig.com



Judith Ripka
Ambrosia Bracelet
Gold, mint green quartz, rose quartz,
amethyst, champagne quartz,
yellow sapphire
www.judithripka.com



Christine Hafermalz-Wheeler
Faultline Ring
18k yellow and white gold,
moonstones, sapphires
www.theartistgoldsmith.com



Graff
Gypsy Earrings
White gold, diamonds,
yellow diamonds, pink diamonds
www.graffdiamonds.com



Mia Fonssagrives-Solow
Solid Gold
Worry Beads
for the Very,
Very Nervous
Gold, white diamonds
mia@miafsolow.com



Temple St. Clair
Tolomeo Pendant
18k gold,
colored sapphires,
white diamonds
www.templestclair.com



Erhan Gursen Leaf Brooch 18k gold, silver, white diamonds www.erhangursen.com

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can be viewed at

Carnegie Museum

of Natural History

located at 4400 Forbes Avenue,

Pittsburgh, PA

from July 19, 2008

through January 18, 2009.

www.carnegiemnh.org



Veronica Garaycochea Coral Necklace 18k gold, white diamonds, Sardinian natural coral vgdesigns@aol.com

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can be viewed at **The Forbes Galleries**,
located at 62 Fifth Avenue at 12th Street, New York, NY,
from April 25, 2008 through June 28, 2008.

The Galleries are open to the public Tuesday through Saturday
from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., free of charge.
For additional information about the exhibition or
The Forbes Galleries, please call 212-206-5548
or visit www.forbesgalleries.com

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