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Artisan Gemstones and Jewelry at Santa Monica Bead & Design

Santa Monica, CA (April 02, 2018) The *first ever* Santa Monica Bead & Design Show will be at Le Méridien Delfina Santa Monica, Friday-Sunday, 10am-6pm, May 4-6, 2018. The show hosts 150 artisans and tradespeople chosen by juried invitation, and gives buyers an exceptional opportunity to shop an unrivaled selection of artisan handcraft, jewelry design, and other creative products --and buy direct at excellent prices.

The show is focused on beautiful jewelry that is handcrafted to the highest standards, ranging from bold and eclectic statement pieces to fine jewelry --each one an original work of art. Exhibitors are comprised of both established and emerging artisans, and tradespeople, and include jewelers, gemcutters, beadmakers, metalsmiths, glass workers, clothing designers, and merchants --exhibiting their newest products.

The list of gemstones exhibited includes rubies, sapphires, emeralds, opals, garnets, jade, and pearls. Attendees will discover one-of-a-kind accessories made with careful, handcrafted detail and sustainable materials; hard-to-find decorative arts inspired by medieval, tribal, and folk designs; handmade artistic clothing; as well as antique and vintage items such as champlevé enamel, glass buttons, art nouveau silk, handwoven cloth, antiquities, artifacts, ethnographic art, embellishments, and sacred textiles.

The show location is Le Méridien Delfina Santa Monica, a newly restored contemporary architectural gem, four blocks from the beach, 8 miles from LAX, with both ocean and mountain views, and a destination bar and restaurant named Longitude + Restaurant serving handcrafted cocktails, classic beachside plates, and fine dining.

Come and buy directly from artists and merchants --open to the public --10am-6pm, May 4-6 at Le Méridien Delfina Santa Monica, 530 Pico Blvd, Santa Monica, CA 90405. Advanced admission tickets are \$8 online or \$10 at the door (good for all three days). Visit www.beadanddesign.com or follow us on Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter.

About Garan-Beadagio and Bead & Design Shows

Garan-Beadagio, LLC produces eight annual shows in Pasadena, Costa Mesa, Santa Monica, Walnut Creek and Tucson. While each one promotes artisanship, handcraft and workshop design in its own way, they share in the tradition of bringing people together around the colors, patterns, balance, and cordage of bead & design, and offering the widest range of artisan creations to be found anywhere.

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