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THINGS WE LOVE

From hand-painted tumblers and a table inspired by Lewis and Clark to a pink Cadillac handbag and sparkling jewels, *WA&A* editors select their favorite *objets d'art*

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Stacked Gold Rings by Barbara Heinrich Studio

June is a wonderful month for brides, brides-to-be and for those who are remembering their wedding day. Might we suggest a celebration for all? One or all three of these 18-karat yellow gold rings from Barbara Heinrich Studio could begin the perfect jubilation. Heinrich loves working in silence, which, she says, allows the pieces to speak to her — a method she learned from the noted Rudolph Steiner, her early teacher. We love this Wrapped Ribbon Ring with channel set diamonds and the Carved Glacier Ring with green tourmaline. The wide, carved Glacier Band with scattered diamonds is a perfect complement to either.



Wrapped Ring: \$3,130

Carved Glacier Ring: \$1,880

Glacier Band: \$4,120

480.994.4717

frenchonmain.com

Kailash Bronze Table by Chista



When artist Alon Langotsky needed to register his business 28 years ago and didn't yet have a name, he quickly thought to name it "Chista." That was the name of his beloved black Belgian sheepdog. Today, clients of Chista love to share photos of their dogs, usually in front of a custom piece Langotsky created for them. We, too, love dogs, but we also love this cast-bronze table, used as a coffee table in football star Colin Kaepernick's home in California. It's not just a coffee table, it's actually a work of art that took

months to develop. The table is cast in a foundry using the lost-wax process, thus one should treat it as sculpture while enjoying its practical use. The mission statement of Chista, founded in 1990, states that it "explores the roots of primitivism and modernism, the found and the sculptural in the everyday, and the monumental." Chista hit the mark with this one.

Prices available upon request

52 x 33 x 14.75 inches

212.924.0394

chista.net

Pink Cadillac Handbag by Mary Frances

One not need to spend all their money on a Saturday night, as Bruce Springsteen sings in his beloved song "Pink Cadillac." But, one could adhere to the song's other principles with Mary Frances' Pink Cadillac handbag. What fun to combine usability with frill to create the perfect accessory for a fun-filled night. Created by Frances, an award-winning designer renowned for her diverse and playful selection of beaded handbags, you'll love not only the front of the bag featuring the Cadillac, palm tree and parrot, but the back of the purse also features the back of the car, tail lights included. Made with a variety of beads and sequins, the crossbody handbag provides a hands-free experience, for "cruising down the street, waving to the girls, feeling out of sight."



\$295

8 x 2 x 6.5 inches

800.616.7776

maryfrances.com

Hudson Bay Swivel Chair by The Eleanor Rigby Leather Company

Luxurious, full-grained leather, made cuddly soft with embedded oils and waxes, grace this swivel chair by The Eleanor Rigby Leather Company in a color creatively called Amazon. The leather presents a beautifully distressed and natural patina and shows off the meticulously hand-stitched arms. In particular, we love that the circular design on the chair's front softens its angular features, changing it from ordinary to extraordinary and calling one to sit, relax, enjoy — breathe. Built to last, the Hudson Bay Swivel Chair is braced with tempered-steel and 8-gauge zigzag springs. Another great feature is its feather-soft filling, designed to prevent bunching. Eleanor Rigby has thought of everything.

\$3,999

36 x 36 x 35 inches

619.356.5590

eleanorrigbyleather.com



Outdoor Dining Set by Sifas

We've never seen basket weaving so beautifully melded with furniture as with this Sifas dining set. French designer Éric Carrère, known for his cutting-edge modern designs, has taken weaving to new heights. These chairs are crafted with a frame of solid lacquered aluminum in a matte-gray color, then clad in a refined, woven and braided polyester for style and comfort. Sunbrella cushions finish the chairs, making them ready for fog, rain,

snow or sleet. Combine them with Sifas' KORO dining table — round, subdued and elegant — for an inviting outdoor setting. It, too, is made of lacquered cast aluminum in white, mocha or gray with a mock marble tabletop. One might be tempted to match the dining set with Sifas' lounge chairs and two-seater sofa, creating the ultimate outdoor entertainment space for family and friends.

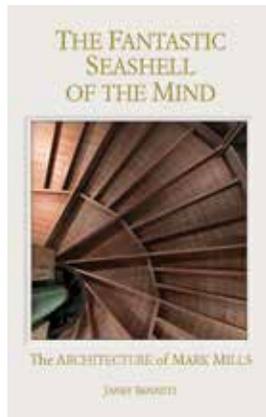


Table: \$2,930; 55-inch top

Dining Chair: \$1,265; 22 x 24 inches

786.554.9924

sifas.com



The Fantastic Seashell of the Mind: The Architecture of Mark Mills by Janey Bennett

Frank Lloyd Wright once said that seashells are nature's perfect architecture, and Mark Mills, one of Wright's apprentices, took it to heart. His life's work is captured in this book by architectural historian Janey Bennett. Considered a visionary architect, Mills adapted roof systems to uniquely blend structural principles and the organic forms of seashells. He considered the ceilings shells for humans. The structural elegance of his ceilings reveal the skeletons of the buildings, exposed and visible from every part of the interior. Award-winning photographer, Bill Sosin contributed to the book, which is an excellent and entertaining source on unique structural forms.

\$44.95

208 pages; 11 x 7 inches

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