

Jbrady designs
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about the 'elements of zen' & 'shodo' lines

Jo Brady Martin (JBrady Designs) located in Durango, CO, is a designer and producer of contemporary, hand-sculpted, fine silver jewelry with a range of offerings from rings to earrings, pendants and necklaces, to fine silver bracelets via a material called precious metal clay (or pure/fine silver .999fs).

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-Jo Martin- on the "zen & shodo" lines



about jo brady martin



Jo grew up under the watchful artistic eye of her father, Pete Martin (a graphic illustrator by trade and an avid fine artist in life) who influenced her exposure to what she calls "art". She's speaking of art in all forms, from old jazz records and cartoon cells, to French Impressionists and graphically designed posters of "french fries". She was provided both intrinsic and learned tools, which enabled her to express herself. It has always been a passionate part of who she is to share her vision of art.

Her professional background thus far has been in sales, both retail and hotel, mostly in Albuquerque, NM, but she spent a few years in Telluride, Colorado. Currently, she is drawing new inspiration from her surroundings in Durango, Colorado.

Both in jewelry and music, her pieces are inspired & produced from a contemplative mind-set (sometimes harnessing somewhat of a chaotic process).. Today, she explores her passion for moving people with the power of expression and communication articulated through simple, organic, & contemporary visual pieces.

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about precious metal clay

PMC is an exciting material developed and patented in the 1990's by Mitsubishi Materials of Japan. Microscopic particles of recycled silver are mixed with a moist binder to create a material that has the feel and working properties of modeling clay. Using imagination and tools, objects are given shape, texture, and character. After air-drying, the objects are heated to temperatures approaching the melting point of the metal, where the particles fuse together to make a dense, fully metallic object. Fired PMC work can be polished, soldered, enameled, and enjoyed like any other silver item (.999fine silver hallmarked).

A note about the material from Jo Martin;

"The beauty of this material is that as a designer I am truly only bound by my imagination. I use (at least) a nine-step process for all of my pieces. They are individually hand-sculpted so each item will have slight differences making each and every one unique and one-of-a-kind."

"Create your zen!"



the elements of zen



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ring no.1
item #R001



ring no.2
item #R002



ring no.3
item #R003



ring no.6
item #R006



ring no.7
item #R007



ring no.8
item #R008

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pendant no.1
item #2001



pendant no.3
item #2003



pendant no.5
item # 2005



necklace no.5
item #5005



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earrings no.1
item #4001



earrings no.3
item #4003



earrings no.5
item # 4005



earrings no.7
item #4007



earrings no.11
item # 4011



the elements of zen
Raven's Wing Cultured Pearls

raven's wing floating pearl necklace
three-strand
item #5001



raven's wing full pearl necklace
single-strand
item #5002



raven's wing earrings
item #4014

raven's wing floating pearl bracelet
three-strand
item #6004



raven's wing full pearl bracelet
single-strand
item #6005



the elements of zen
Chocolate Cultured Pearls

chocolate floating pearl necklace
three-strand
item #5003



chocolate full pearl necklace
single-strand
item #5004



chocolate earrings
item #4015

chocolate floating pearl bracelet
three-strand
item #6006

chocolate full pearl bracelet
single-strand
item #6007

introducing- 'shodo' pendants

"beauty" pendant
item #2006



"love" pendant
item #2007



"om" pendant
item #2008



"cherry blossom"
pendant item #2010



"zen circle" pendant
item #2009



'shodo' round earrings

earrings
item #4020



earrings
item #4021



earrings
item #4022



earrings
item #4024



earrings
item #4023



'shodo' square earrings

"beauty" earrings
item #4016



"love" earrings
item #4017



not pictured but available:

"Om" earrings - item #4018

"Zen Circle" earrings- item #4019

"Cherry Blossom" earrings - item #4025

introducing our men's cufflinks



silver & resin
cufflinks
(bamboo)
item #mens8001



silver & resin
cufflinks
(om)
item #mens8002

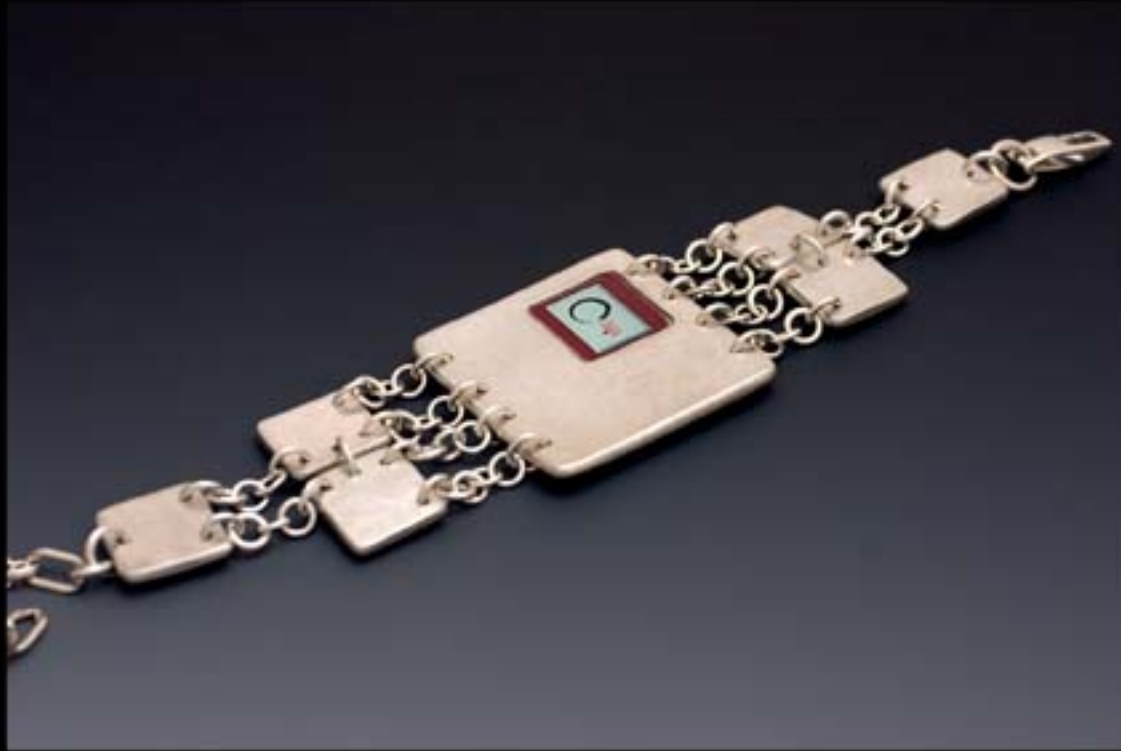


silver & resin
cufflinks
(cherry blossom)
item #mens8003



silver & resin
cufflinks
(cherry blossom)
item #mens8003

shodo bracelets
all four designs available



"zen circle" pictured -item # 6011

"beauty" - item #6008

"love" - item #6009

"om" - item #6010

"cherry blossom" - item #6012

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