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This entry in the Showcase 500 series features the most gorgeous necklaces you've ever seen. Lovingly crafted by

renowned art jewelers from around the world, these one-of-a-kind pieces display technical excellence, diverse forming techniques, and unceasing beauty. Made of materials that range from traditional metals to nylon, fabric, and found objects, these necklaces will leave art lovers, jewelers, design fans, crafters, and collectors awestruck and inspired.

"Showcase 500 Art Necklaces is a collection of art jewelry, all necklace designs, that works as a kind of book slash gallery exhibit. This book is meant to inspire versus inform. It is packed full of color photographs of finished necklaces that are hand-crafted to an artistic level and not necessarily meant to be worn. Put simply, this is artwork first." -- Tammy Powley, About.com Jewelry Making "The book is really stunning. The compact size packs quite a punch of art. This book is laid out very much like a gallery exhibit: each spread reminds me of a wall space where similar works of art are hung together, and sometimes the connections are surprising. The pieces range from high-end designer diamonds and gems incorporated into meticulously detailed settings to found object creations that look like experiments gone wild. The materials, colors, patterns and styles are fantastic and completely inspiring. A book like this helps me envision what is possible." -- Erin Prais-Hintz "These tomes hold the work of hundreds of art jewelers whose names the future may not recall, but whose work and passion are evident in these pages. This volume is an excellent example of the vast array of styles and techniques that make up the Art Jewelry movement." -- Robyn Hawk
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