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Jewelers of America Announces 2024 CASE Award Winners

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New York, NY – Jewelers of America (JA), the national trade association for businesses serving the fine jewelry marketplace, has announced the winners of its 34th annual CASE Awards jewelry design competition. The CASE Awards, JA's national design competition, recognizes JA Members who exhibit creativity, artistry, style and excellence in jewelry design.

First place winners were selected out of over 120 entries in eight categories; categories were separated for JA retail members and JA supplier members: Jewelry up to \$2,000, \$2,001 to \$5,000, \$5,001 to \$10,000, and \$10,001 to \$50,000 (retail values). One entry was named Best in Show overall.

"Jewelers of America's CASE Awards design competition showcases the innovative designs and exceptional talents of Jewelers of America members across the country," says Amanda Gizzi, spokesperson for Jewelers of America. "We are proud to celebrate their remarkable achievements and the brilliance they bring to the world of fine jewelry.

The winners in each category were determined by a panel of design experts who evaluated the entries on the following criteria: overall design, marketability, originality and quality of manufacture. Judges included Brecken Branstrator, GemGuide; Tanya Dukes, writer; Natalie Francisco, *National Jeweler*; Amanda Gizzi, Jewelers of America; Adrianne Sanogo, Black in Jewelry Coalition and GIA Graduate Gemologist; Amina Sorel, Amina Sorel Fine Jewelry; and Alysa Teichman, Ylang 23 and Wildlike.

All winners will receive a customized CASE Award trophy and national and local media coverage.

The 2024 CASE Awards are sponsored by Synchrony. CASE Awards is open to employees of JA Member companies. For more information about the competition and to view the Winner's Photo Gallery, visit https://www.jewelers.org/news/ja-in-the-news/jewelers-of-america-2024-case-award-winners or contact Jewelers of America's Member Services at (800) 223-0673.

The 2024 CASE Award Winners are:

Retailer: Jewelry up to \$2,000



German Kabirski Designed by German Kabirski Lake Worth, FL

Cracked-in-half sphere earrings featuring green amethyst in 925 sterling silver with 18K gold plating \$670

Retailer: Jewelry \$2,001 to \$5,000



Underwoods Fine Jewelers Designed by Underwood Design Team Fayetteville, AR

18K yellow gold hand forged ring featuring a 8.17ct square checkerboard amethyst center stone that is bezel set in a compass orientation with 6 channel set diamonds on shank that are all ideally cut (0.54 ctw) \$4,950

Retailer: Jewelry \$5,001 to \$10,000



Hey Babe LA Designed by Renata Cambauva and Lapidary Artist Brian Cook Novato, CA

14K yellow gold Petite Elo Modular Convertible necklace featuring a 38.25 ct removable amethyst and a round bezel set natural rubellite on the mesh cradle (0.25 ctw) \$6,500

Retailer: Jewelry \$10,001 to \$50,000



Heard Gallery Designed by Susan Oliver Heard San Antonio, TX

18K rose gold ring with Ethiopian opal (16.8 ct) emeralds (.25 ctw), sapphires (0.20 ctw), rubies (.025 ctw), black diamonds (.10 ctw) and white diamonds (.25 ctw) \$18,600

Supplier: Jewelry up to \$2,000



Gabriel & Co. Designed by Dominick Gabriel New York, NY

14K white and yellow gold diamond cut and cluster diamond stud earrings (0.23 ctw) \$1,800

Supplier: Jewelry \$2,001 to \$5,000



Martha Seely Design Designed by Martha Seely Carlisle, MA

Falling Stars long earrings in 18K yellow gold with diamonds (.242 ctw), multi-color sapphires (3.11 ctw), London blue topaz, Swiss blue topaz, and pink tourmaline \$4,310

Supplier: Jewelry \$5,001 to \$10,000



Olga Shatrova LLC Designed by Olga Shatrova Irvine, CA

14K white gold earrings with natural tourmalines (60.29 ct), 58 natural diamonds F/vs1 (0.945 ct;) 20 natural pink sapphires (0.63 ct); 8 natural pink sapphires (1.670 ct) \$5,800

Supplier: Jewelry \$10,001 to \$50,000



Vanessa Fernández Studio Designed by Vanessa Fernández Miami, FL

Hand-crafted one-of-a-kind 18K yellow gold ring featuring an elongated cushion cut Vietnamese lavender spinel (3.04 carat) The setting is a hand carved 18K yellow gold casting with no prongs. \$30.000

Best in Show



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Download high resolution images of the winning pieces here:

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