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Modern Day Pendants Draw Inspiration From The Past

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Marie Lichtenberg's yellow gold mini Scapular, set with white diamonds, a red enameled heart and a blue enameled arch echoing the temple of love.

Contemporary designers borrow details and inspiration from the past of different cultures for pendants, medallions and charms. Some feature talisman qualities, while others reference love and passion. Whether you wear one on a chain, graduate or layer look, there are various motifs and styles from which to choose to enliven your wardrobe as you change your closets from winter to spring.

Katarina Tarazi plays on the French antique and vintage spinners and pendants, which refer to "Effeuille la marguerite" or "plucking the daisy's petals." It is one of the oldest French games, which we also adopted here in the U.S. Tarazi re-imagines when sentiment and mechanism came to meet. Spin the daisy and read your answer under the lower tip of its heart-shaped gemstone: Un peu – A little | Beaucoup – A lot | Je t'aime – I love you | A la folie – Madly | Pas du tout – Not at all.



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Lebanese fine jewellery designer Katarina Tarazi launched her eponymous brand in 2021, offering jewellery that is tactile and appeals to our innate desire to play. The Marguerite collection pushes the boundaries of jewellery innovation and is inspired by French Romanticism after the Industrial Revolution, where sentiment and mechanism met. The 18k gold spinning collection, offered as either a bracelet, ring or pendant and featuring vintage typography, is a unique and special way to express love and sentimentality through jewellery.

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Summer 2023 is hotting up, and that European getaway is finally on the cards after three years of on-again, off-again travel restrictions. With these summer essentials for your packing list, the vacation of your dreams will look extra stylish.

EVARAE swimwear and resort wear British ethical label EVARAE's new seasonal campaign is what everyone's dream holiday looks like — the flattering swimwear and resort wear will elevate your vacation style in a heart beat.

URA Cara top The Cara top from URA's SS23 collection is a vision of elegance and sophistication, paired with accessories by Folklore, Katarina Tarazi, Mignonne Gavigan, and PDPAOLA for an extra oomph.



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Whether you consider yourself a refined minimalist or an expressive maximalist, one thing we all have in common is some degree of accessorising, and when it comes to putting the final touches to an outfit, jewellery is one of the most powerful embellishments in your repertoire.

Jewellery is personal, after all, and the pieces we choose to buy, gift and wear can tell a story. I, for example, never take off the engraved signet ring I got for a birthday, and my engagement ring is the most important thing I own, but some of my most treasured jewellery pieces are those I've bought for myself to celebrate milestones in my life. And then there are legacy pieces—jewellery that gets handed down through families.

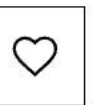
Of course, not every piece has to be saved for best. Everyday jewellery can be equally as pulse-quickenning, and switching it up is the easiest way to update your look in an instant and make it feel more current.



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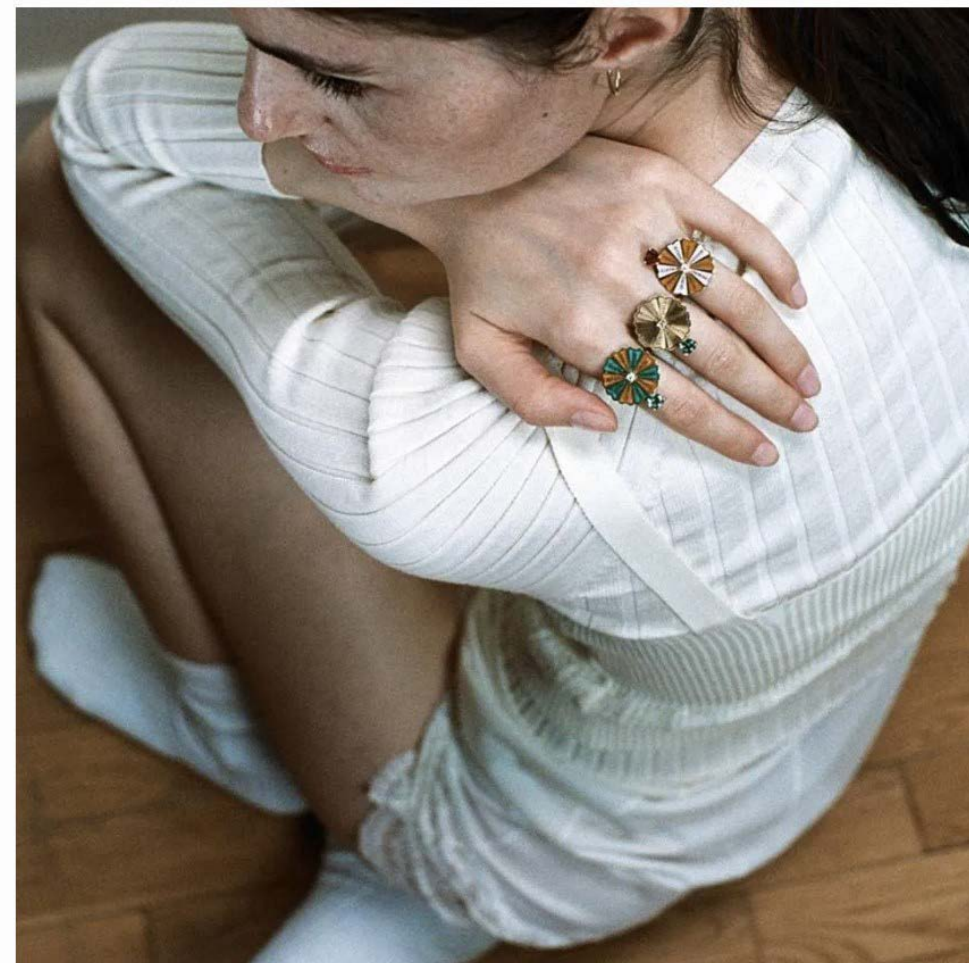


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From Beirut with love, Katarina Tarazi is the new fine jewelry designer you need to know this summer. Combining rich history and meticulous craftsmanship, the brand's unique aesthetics are made even more special with an unexpected, mechanical twist.

Tarazi, the brand's eponymous founder and Creative Director, was born into a family of artisanal craftsmen in Lebanon and launched the label in 2021 after spending years studying technical courses that helped shape her comprehensive understanding of the complex world of manufacturing.

And the manufacturing and mechanical aspect is ultimately what makes Tarazi's jewelries stand out. In an industry where plagiarism is rife and the market filled with designs mostly imitating those of luxury brands, Katarina Tarazi's intricate, original, and inspired designs are particularly rare and noteworthy. "I purposely don't look at any other jewelry brands so that I don't unconsciously copy them." Says Tarazi. "Nostalgia influences my work, the idea that an object has a spirit and can, contrary to many things in life, last forever."



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Each piece from Katarina Tarazi pushes the artistic, as well as mechanical, boundaries of jewelry. A form of movement — a spin, a twist or a flick — will in turn create a new shape of pendant.

"I've known from day 1 that all my pieces would look like objects with a mechanical element." Says the designer, "I also knew that the mechanical element itself must be meaningful, interactive, and satisfyingly cathartic."

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Tarazi describes her jewelry as essentially a miniature object or statue: "It is detailed, totemic and has a spirit of its own. My pendants and rings always have a meaningful mechanism that isn't obvious to the naked eye. My designs feel intimate, secretive, playful and nostalgic. They all have a soul."



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The process of creation begins with thorough historical research and an added layer of fantasy. Tarazi makes sketches followed by technical hand drawings, which are then turned into 3D renderings by experts and transformed into tangible golden objects in the heart of Beirut. "Each piece's design incorporates 3 or more of the following storylines: its historical origin; its cultural value; its emotional value; its mechanical value," Explains Tarazi, when asked whether her high standard and requirements on the process could sometimes hinder production.

"The research and design part alone can take anytime from 3 months up to a year, and the production part usually lasts between 3 and 6 months. The production of a prototype is a lot of tedious back and forth, trial and error. It's part of the process and makes me love my pieces all the more."

A contrast to her joy-inducing designs full of the brightest of sparkles, Tarazi says her inspiration comes from depression and boredom. "Right before and during a research and design phase, I purposely let myself go into this human tendency. Instead of searching for distractions, I welcome this phase which starts happening in fall and ends in spring."



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As the brand's sole owner, Tarazi says she's a "one-man show" apart from those who transform her drawings into actual 3D sculpted files and the bench jeweller who cleans, sets the stones, and puts the mechanical pieces together. The founder tells me that the most challenging part of her job is being the only parent of what feels like her baby — her brand.

"But this lonely silence is what inspires me, so it's necessary." Says Tarazi, and shares that her typical routine is to wake up and immediately listen to old school Latin American music with her coffee before working. "I like to do and think of nothing else before I start. I get into a flow that lasts the whole day."

Like a true creative artist, Tarazi doesn't miss a beat when asked what she considers as the best part of her job. "It's the research and design part. I can go anywhere my curiosity takes me. This is pure freedom. Whatever I wish I could find in the outside world, I create to satisfy my own needs. The second best part is when I hold the finished piece in my hands for the first time."

You can visit www.katarinatarazi.com for more information and to view the brand's complete collection.

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