

Eisen Exhibit of Jackie O. Jewelry



Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis | Photo courtesy Gallery at Susan Eisen Fine Jewelry Art Watches & Appraisals

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The Gallery at Susan Eisen Fine Jewelry Art Watches & Appraisals announces the first in a series of celebrity jewelry exhibitions and sale of reproduction jewelry from the collection of Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis.

The exhibit opened on November 1 and continues through November 30 at Susan Eisen Fine Jewelry Art Watches, located at 5857 North Mesa. The jewelry represents examples of couture jewelry worn by Mrs. Onassis while she was the First Lady living in the White House and afterwards as she sailed through her well known famous life. "Being able to show how jewelry has an important place in the history of our country, especially during an

election year, is something I wanted to show. As an El Paso jewelry designer for celebrities on the red carpet, it is exciting to see how jewelry and fashion plays an important part in the glamorous life of a celebrity,” said Susan Eisen, jewelry entrepreneur, designer, and author.

Many foreign government first ladies and royalty have large collections of jewelry gifted to them by heads of state, personally collected during their lifetime, inherited through family heirlooms or purchased for special occasions. Jacqueline Onassis was one of those.

Not only did she have jewelry given to her by President Kennedy, she was always dressed with exceptional jewelry and clothes and had designers yearning to have their jewelry worn by her.

On display in the gallery will be exquisite reproductions of jewelry worn during her lifetime including a diamond necklace worn on an official visit to India, a turquoise necklace worn to her daughter’s graduation, an art deco diamond and sapphire bracelet worn when she danced at a large gala in New York, and a white and multicolored enamel bracelet she wore for her whole life, a gift from a close friend.

Also on exhibit is a floating pearl necklace worn on her honeymoon with JFK in Acapulco as personal guests of the president of Mexico. Photographs of Mrs. Onassis in her various roles as a fashionable First Lady and New York socialite will also be on display in the gallery.

Eisen is the President and Chief Designer at Susan Eisen Fine Jewelry Art Watches & Appraisals, a graduate gemologist from the Gemological Institute of America, a Master Gemologist Appraiser with the American Society of Appraisers, and a Certified Gemologist Appraiser with the American Gem Society.

She is the author of two books, one on collecting jewelry (www.crazyaboutjewelry.net) and the other on avoiding family inheritance battles after you die (www.inheritanceexpert.com, www.susaneisen.com).

An El Paso native, she founded her first store in 1980 (5857 North Mesa) and does custom jewelry designing, repairs, and fine art

appraising. Her designs have been worn on the red carpet at the Emmys, the Screen Actor's Guild Awards, and the Academy Awards.

Ms. Eisen's gallery features fine art and crafts by El Paso, regional and national artists. The Gallery is open Tuesday through Saturday 10:00 am to 6:00 pm and by appointment on Sunday and Monday.