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OUR NEXT SHOW IN THE EAST COAST AREA WILL BE NOVEMBER OF 2023

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Hello Friends!

It is that time again – we are filled to the brim with great new inventory (and rare items!) and headed your way for our fall 2023 sale series. Now is a great time to get started on holiday shopping (can you believe it – only three months away!?). And don't forget to treat yourself to that special beauty you've been wanting!

We did it again – another impressive haul from a shopping event in Las Vegas in May and wow did we do some restocking! This was our first time at this

event and it provided a great opportunity to acquire items we cannot get when shopping locally. More specifically, amber jewelry from Poland. So many unique items in fabulous Baltic amber and sterling silver - pins, pendants, earrings and more! Usually by this time of year we are running very low so this gave us the opportunity to make sure we had plenty for this series. After that we kept busy preparing for and conducting our Facebook Live sale on Saturday, June 24. If you have not checked out our live events, they are a blast! We have a great time connecting with everyone, and have fun gift giveaway drawings during the event, as well as a grand-prize giveaway after the shopping (which goes on for a few days) ends. This time it was a fabulous two-tier Alton Bedonie pendant with beautiful Royston turquoise. These events also allow us to connect with friends and fans who are no longer in our in-person show areas, as wells as new folks from out-of-area. Our next Facebook Live event is planned for December (think last-minute gifts!).

For our upcoming Texas and Virginia area shows there are so many new necklaces, including a huge variety of short turquoise necklaces which can be worn alone or paired with a pendant. We have beautiful new Santo Domingo jewelry in seashell, turquoise and all the colors of spiny oyster shell (orange, red and purple) including new, colorful Daniel Coriz earrings. There is a magnificent 10-strand coral necklace with hand-made sterling silver cones and a hard-to-get Tommy Jackson bolo. For our purple fans - Alton Bedonie made the most spectacular sugilite necklace you will ever want to see, plus a deep purple (rare) spiny oyster shell necklace and two double sugilite pendants. As you know, sugilite is becoming very rare and expensive. This is an excellent opportunity to add to your collection at prices you won't find elsewhere. Also, just in are more wonderful rings, pendants, and earrings with White Buffalo.

For fans of **Alton Bedonie's** top-level work, check out his newest creations -two fabulously long necklaces with orange and reddish spiny oyster shell, two gorgeous sterling silver and lapis necklaces, and some ladies' turquoise rings. Additionally, he managed several pendants which feature sugilite, turquoise and lapis. He also made two



beautiful bracelet and ring sets: one with Bisbee turquoise and the other with Lone Mountain turquoise. He is currently working on more rings and pendants so we will see what other treasures he comes up with by show time.

Tamara continued her silversmithing activities at a furious pace to add more items to her Argentium inventory. Time has been tight, but despite the challenges there are still great pieces to be had. Included in her collection are four pairs of earrings and several rings, as well as a 34" chain (it can double as a belt too

e) a heavy and intricate necklace in what she calls "ancient Rome" style and another necklace with abalone, tourmaline, rubies, 22kt gold and lab-grown rutiles (dubbed "Crown Jewels") with matching earrings. This last one is like nothing she has done before. It was originally for entry to a contest but time did not allow for making the deadline. Work is neverending, so stay tuned for more items in the future!

If you like pins, pendants, and rings we restocked there as well. We found quite a few all-silver bracelets by Navajo artist *Tom Hawk, Leonard Nez, Albert Jake*, and the *Tahe* family. A few have over-the-top impressive stamp work on them. There are several new Hopi bracelets as well as Hopi earrings and Pendants. We also have money clips and key rings, all of which make nice affordable gifts.

We have, by far, the largest collection of concho belts that we have ever had. We just added two more: a Zuni inlay link belt by *Raymond Boyd* with half dollar size conchos and a Navajo concho belt on leather with beautiful large Royston turquoise stones by Dean Sandoval.

By the end of our last show series, we had added more from private collections of jewelry. In fact, at our last show we acquired a *Calvin Begay* inlay necklace and earrings set, a silver, gold, and turquoise ring by *Arland Ben*, a Hopi bracelet by *Bradley Gashwazra*, several Hopi bolo ties, and a very nice heavy turquoise bracelet made with coin silver. Over the summer we took in even more magnificent collections. All we can say is "wow"! There are collector-quality pieces from some of the top Navajo, Zuni, and Hopi artists to ever make jewelry. This is by far the largest selection of jewelry we have had in a very long time. You will not want to miss these shows. Bring your wish list!

We don't have space in this newsletter to describe everything, so here is a brief listing of some of the artists:

Necklaces by: Alvin Vandever, Don Dewa, Alvin and Lula Begay, Ray Scott, Jack Tom, Mary Tom, Alvin Tso, Dinah and Peter Gasper, Frances Moses Begay, Alex Sanchez and many more.

Bolo Ties by: Gerald Lomaventema, Michael Perry, Lionel Bahe, Albert and Dolly, Michael Sockyma, Ben

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Nighthorse, Sammy and Esther Guardian, Raymond Boyd, Daniel Benally and other Navajo, Zuni, and Hopi artists. There is also a belt buckle by Phil Poseyesva.

Pendants by: Bruce Hodgins, Andrew Dewa, Wilbert Manning, Kee Yazzie, Alton Bedonie, Cecil Ashley, Fadrian and Vivica Bowannie, Benny Ration and various other Navajo and Zuni artists.

Bracelets by: *Phillip Sekaquaptewa, Alvin* and *Lula Begay, Cecil Ashley, Alvin Tso, Ronald Wadsworth* and more. There is also an amazing sugilite and opal inlay bracelet made by *Lester James* and *Thomas Francisco*.

In these collections there are also rings, earrings, pins, pendants, bracelets, bolos, and necklaces ranging in dates from the 1930's to almost present day. There is even a nice little selection of beautiful clip earrings. These collections are large, so work will continue for some time making them ready for sale. If there is something you are specifically looking for, please be sure to ask. These shows will truly be a treat for the eyes!

In all, this is one of the largest collections we have ever had at one time. The range of spectacular jewelry is huge! It includes works by artists such as *Donnie Supplee, Lee Yazzie, Vernon Haskie, Edison Cummings, Howard Nelson, Carl* and *Irene Clark, Ervin Haskie, Harlan* and *Monica Coonsis, Lavina Tsikewa, Ruddell and Nancy Laconsello, Bradley Gashwazra, Arland Ben, Calvin Begay* and many more.

Other award-winning artists' works include: Charles Supplee, Tommy Jackson, Sherian Honhongva, Charlene Reano, Daniel Coriz, Chris Nieto, Nelson Begay, Michael Garcia, Olivia Whitethorn, Dina Huntinghorse and Duane Maktima.

CARVINGS, POTTERY, RUGS, SANDPAINTINGS AND MORE

We restocked our Navajo sand painting boxes and our framed sand painting selection. The new designs are gorgeous!

Sand painting Christmas ornaments are available. We really stocked up this time! They are a great addition to your holiday decorations and make unique, affordable gifts as well. These are sometimes hard to find, and when we do get them, they go quick. So, when Eric found more on a recent shopping trip, he snapped them up! The Navajo artists use manufactured ornaments which they decorate with a variety of sand painting styles and designs to create these charming southwest decorations. We also have beautiful Navajo sand paintings depicting Monument Valley, the Four Corners area,









and still life scenes. These ornaments, sandpainting boxes and framed sand paintings all make great gifts!

As for Zuni fetish carvings, we have a great collection of about forty-five pieces, so there are lots of items from which to shop. Many of these carvings are by well-known, award-winning artists and are crafted from an assortment of stones and organic material. And remember, fetishes are not just for table-top display; be sure to check out the jewelry sections as we also have some fabulous animal and bird fetish necklaces.

Our pottery inventory is impressive, with a large selection on hand. All our

pieces are from the Southwest, ranging from hand etched, air brushed Navajo pots to natural clay that is hand coiled, stone polished and fired outdoors. A great example of these latter pots is the Mata Ortiz pieces. Many of these pieces have complex, fine-line detail artwork and are hand-coiled. Some have detailed geometric relief patterns and others have very detailed carvings. We restocked this year with a HUGE selection of these fabulous works of art.

The village of Mata Ortiz traces its origins to those of the Mogollon Culture. These early Native Americans existed at the same time as the more well-known Anasazi and the lesser-known Hohokam. All three of these cultures based their livelihoods around farming. It was the development clay vessel crafting that helped these early Native American communities to not only transport water from springs, creeks, and rivers, but allowed them to securely store their vital seed supplies between each harvest and the next planting season.

With time, these simple, utilitarian vessels became more ornate and decorative. Nowadays some of the finest, most detailed pots are from this region. The price for this quality of work is incredible!

In Navajo and Jemez pottery, we have a nice selection of new Navajo hand etched pots and some wonderful handmade Jemez Pueblo spiral melon pieces. There are also a couple of wonderful storyteller pots from the *Lucero* family on Jemez.

Our impressive kachina collection continues to dazzle with an inventory that includes work from award winning artists such as *Laurence Dallas, Keith Torres, Raymond Chee, Marlin Pinto*, and *Sterling McRae*.

There will be something in everyone's price range, so be sure to stop by and see us!

See you there!

