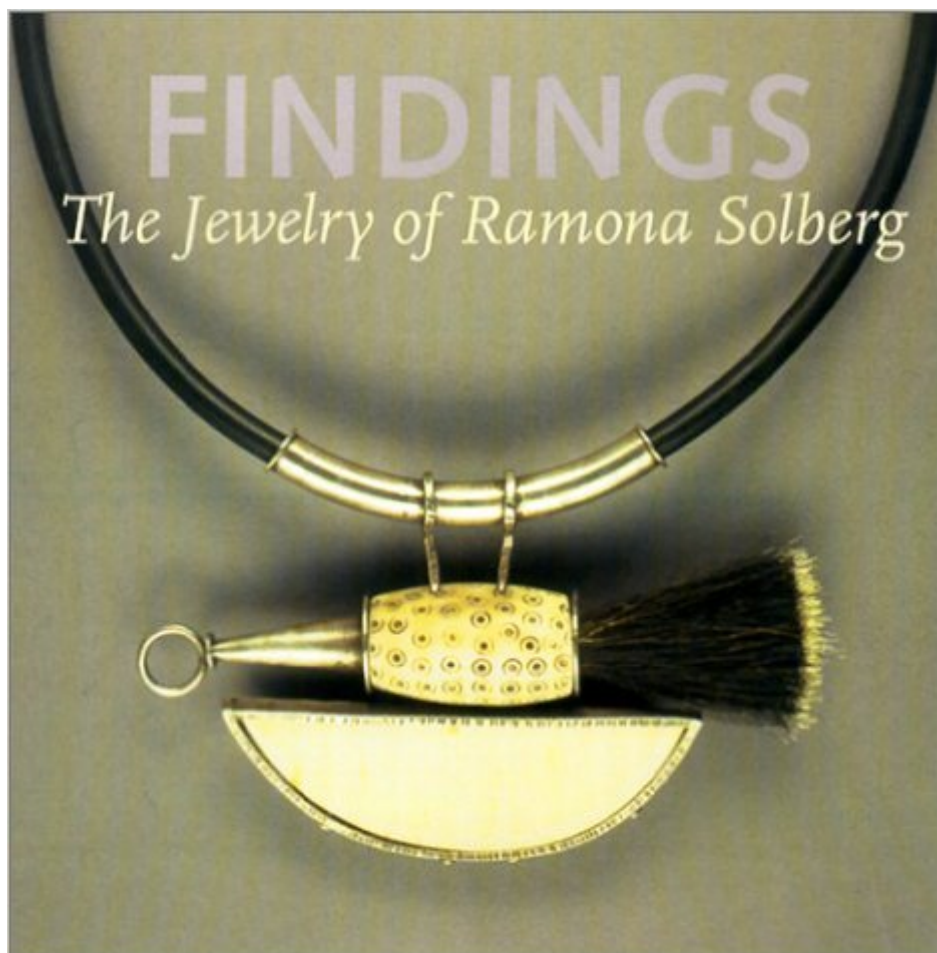


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Findings: The Jewelry Of Ramona Solberg



Synopsis

Ramona Solberg works in the field of fine-art jewellery, turning buttons, callipers, beads, pebbles and her trademark dominoes into boldly scaled works of wearable art. Some of her necklaces (32 in all) are illustrated in colour in this book. Vicki Halper sets Solberg's work in the context of her life as an artist, teacher and traveller, and explores the creative links between Solberg and her students and fellow jewellers. She chronicles Solberg's career from her student days, through her tenure as professor at the University of Washington, to her active and productive recent years, and explores the community of Pacific Northwest artists with whom she is associated: Laurie Hall, Ron Hon, Kiff Slemmons and Nancy Worden.

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This beautiful book tells the story of an amazing jewelry maker. Gorgeous photos show off her work, which incorporates found objects, fabrication, beads, and natural materials in imaginative, exciting ways. Truly inspiring work that transforms the ordinary into unique art.

To Ramona, a domino is not merely a game piece. A domino can join other found objects in a necklace. This catalogue of 32 of Ramona's necklaces, appearing in a Bank of American gallery presentation from 18 November to 14 December 2001, are just plain fun. Of the 32 pieces, my favorite is an eye-catching necklace including cast silver, black and yellow African millefiore, and bauxite beads -- a stunner!

My introduction to found art jewelry was seeing Ramona's book in a bookstore. The cover piece was so intriguing. I loved that necklace. It's one of my favorites. I'd been making my own jewelry for quite a few years, but I'd never seen anything like her work. I had to explore the book. I decided to buy it within a few minutes of scanning the pages. I love learning to look at everything around me in a different way and this book opened up a whole new jewelry dimension for me. Found art jewelry has amazing potential. And while Ramona may have had to travel in her day to see the wonderfully unique items she included in her artwork, thank goodness there are sites like eBay today. So I can do Solberg-inspired pieces without having to travel the globe. I want easy access to it so it's one of the few books I keep by my bedside. Every so often I will treat myself by perusing her book for some inspiration.

I loved this book as it was hard to find. She is dead but her jewelry lives on and it is a worthwhile book to own for inspiration.

Great book!

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