

Press Release 05

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Now you can ‘Up Cycle’ your old jewellery into a contemporary piece using Salim Patel’s Bespoke Service.

You provide the gems and/or precious metal, Salim then works with you to help you design a modern setting using resin embedding techniques. In this way you retain the sentimental value of the heirloom or unwanted gift, while creating something that is more ‘you’.

Salim can also provide selected gems to make a brand new and unique piece where you have been part of the creative process.

Referrals:

Up Cycling:

‘A family heirloom of 50 opals and small rubies was never worn. Salim designed several unique pieces, one for each of my daughters so now we can all enjoy the old gems in a modern setting’.

Chris Banner
Whitstable

Bespoke:

‘I asked Salim to craft a unique set of earrings and pendant for my wife. Salim involved me in their design and crafting, from concept drawings to stone selection and placement. The experience gave the gift giving a spiritual element for both my wife and I and the jewellery is breath-taking.

Thank you Salim’.

Richard Eyre
Princeton
New Jersey USA

Salim’s Valentine’s Exhibition will be held at the ‘Show Off Gallery’ 13 Harbour Street, Whitstable from the 11th to the 17th February 2010 where you can discuss your requirements or contact him via email / phone.

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Short Biography Salim Patel Born 30.11.1951

Having worked and lived in Italy (Florence) and Portugal over the last 10 years, Salim has now settled in Ramsgate with his wife and Pug dog to focus on his creative side which he expresses through his jewellery. On his return to the UK he attended Morley College, London to refresh his skills before embarking on a “re-start business” setting up from scratch in 2008 designing and making jewellery as well as selling fossils and minerals.

His pieces fuse silver-smithing, self taught and studied part time at Sir John Cass, with technical skills acquired from a diploma in Geological Laboratory Techniques. On leaving college he realised that some of the specimens he was preparing for scientific study actually belonged in a jewellery shop, not in the laboratory.

Salim also collected fossils on the Jurassic Coast in Dorset, where he lived for a while. It was then that he started to make jewellery from the many beautiful specimens he found on the beaches.

From several years working at the Science Photo Library, Salim developed a highly-tuned sense of shape and images in Nature, helping him take his own photographs which he still sells.

Salim designed and sold his jewellery in the 1980s in London’s Bond Street and Camden Market before his stint in the world of international marketing and sales.

Having never attended Art School his approach to design is to keep it simple, elegant and strong, just as Nature does with its own designs.

Where to find Salim:

Studio at Unit 2 Pie Factory Studios, 9 Broad Street, CT9 1EW, Margate (Please phone for appointment)

‘Show Off’ Gallery 13, Harbour Street, Whitstable ;after a successful Christmas period, Salim made many new friends and received valuable feedback of what people want, hence expanding into Holistic Therapy crystals and minerals supplied in their natural state.

Show Off provides non-affiliated creative people with a commission free gallery in Whitstable’s most popular street for one week at a time. It is partly supported by Pearl & Hemmingway and is run by Lesley West. Phone 01227-770000 for details.

Bohemia Market Canterbury – food and artisans market last Saturday of the month starting again in March, see www.creativecantebury.co.uk for details

Broadstairs Folk Festival August 6th to 13th inclusive, see: <http://www.broadstairsfolkweek.org.uk>

Broadstairs Food Fair October 1st to 3rd Victoria Gardens, see: <http://www.broadstairsfoodfestival.org.uk>

Web site: www.salimpatel.co.uk

Tel:07549 123000 for latest information and further details

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Photos



Commission using rough Ethiopian opals in the ear rings, a moonstone and Australian opals set in a geometric pattern to the customer's specification



Brochure of recent work including insect jewellery and Scorpio star sign in opals