

Carla Maxine Kruger

Carla Maxine Kruger has been designing and making jewellery since the age of 14. At the age of 16 she had a fully functional jewellery design business that was exporting to the UK and USA.

She studied for a year at the Ruth Prowse School of Art and then went to Stellenbosch to complete a 4 year Bachelors Degree in Visual Arts (Creative Jewellery Design and Metal Techniques).

She then applied for an internship at the Galerie Louise Smit in Amsterdam, and simultaneously embarked on an exchange program with the University of Amsterdam where she studied a type of Art History as part of her Masters degree at the University of Stellenbosch.

She returned to South Africa in 2012 to complete her degree and graduated in March 2014.

She is now working for herself in the heart of Cape Town. She has a lot of fun creating the work you see here, and she hopes you will enjoy it in the same sense.

Education:

2012 - 2014

MA Visual Arts

University of Stellenbosch

2012

Exchange Program with the University of Amsterdam

Internship at the Galerie Louise Smit

2008 – 2011

BA Visual Arts (Creative Jewellery Design and Metal Techniques)

University of Stellenbosch

2007

Jewellery Design and Metalsmithing

Ruth Prowse School of Art, Cape Town

Exhibitions:

2015

‘Precious Obsession’ Brundyn+ Gallery

Pop-up exhibition of contemporary South African Jewellery Artists, curated by myself, Phoebe du Preez and Anna Rosholt.

2015

‘Studio Famille’ Design Indaba Expo 2015

2014 - 2015

'Seeking Eden', Exhibition at Casa Labia, Muizenberg, curated by Margie Murgatroid.

2014

'Precious Obsession'

Pop-up exhibition of contemporary South African Jewellery Artists, curated by myself, Phoebe du Preez and Anna Rosholt.

2014

'55 Artists, 55 Necklaces', Liz Loubser Gallery, Johannesburg

2014

'Back to the Future' - Platinum Art Jewellery.

Platinum jewellery created by selected graduates from the University of Stellenbosch since 2007.

2014

'Ethereal Material'

Postgraduate students and staff of the University of Stellenbosch Jewellery Department at the Design Indaba 2014.

2014

'The Collar and The Cuff'

Master's Degree Exhibition at the Snee Gallery in Stellenbosch

2013

Design Indaba Expo, Cape Town,
as part of the University of Stellenbosch Jewellery Department.

2012

Design Indaba Expo, Cape Town,
as part of the University of Stellenbosch Jewellery Department.

2011

Design Indaba Expo, Cape Town
Emerging Creatives

2006

Cape Town Fashion Week
Hip-Hop Fashion Show

Competitions:

2011

Finalist in Anglo Gold Ashanti Auditions Competition