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Branching Out

Chas Schwartz & Son has served as the jeweler to Washingtonians for over 120 years. Known for their custom creations, sought after for their repair and redesign services and heralded as the premier estate jewelry curator on the east coast, Chas Schwartz & Son features renowned designers including Michael Beaudry, Hidalgo, Furrer Jacot and Chimento. They are the exclusive purveyor of top quality pink diamonds in the region, and offer the highest quality loose diamonds including Hearts on Fire® and the 100% Canadian Polar Bear Diamond™. Shown: Cherry Blossoms by Oscar Heyman, set in platinum with pink sapphires and diamonds; \$36,000. Mazza Gallerie, Floor Two, (202)363-5432 and The Willard Hotel, (202)737-4757, or visit chasschwartz.com.



Green Goddess

Christa's, located on W. Lancaster Avenue in Wayne, PA, is a classic boutique specializing in designer fashions and accessories. Christa's welcomes spring with new couture and special occasion eveningwear – it's the perfect place for the Mother-of-the-Bride. Christa's invites you to shop for all of your special occasion and spring fashion needs. Mention this editorial and receive 10% off on any special order placed during the months of April and May 2009. (610) 687-8825. Visit them online at christasclothes.net.

Banding Together

Contemporary, classic and totally unpredictable, Yanina & Co. embraces an entirely fresh approach to jewelry design. The inimitable talents and artistic sensibilities of their master jewelers render each creation a singularly personal masterpiece – featuring only the finest gemstones, most lustrous pearls and most scintillating precious metals. Shown: Extraordinary handmade 18k white gold bands set with approx. 1.20 ct. wt. in micro pave diamonds and 4.05 ct. wt. in round natural diamonds or 3.82 ct. wt. in oval yellow natural diamonds. Available only at Yanina & Co., of Cedar Grove, NJ, (973) 857-5544 or visit yanina-co.com.



A Burst of Sunshine

Nestled in the heart of McLean, Va. is an inviting shop for the true aficionado of antique and estate jewelry. Step into Solovey Jewelers and discover the beauty and quality enjoyed by generations past. Solovey specializes in period pieces from the Georgian, Victorian, Edwardian, Art Nouveau and Art Deco eras. Additionally, Solovey offers the services of an on-site board certified gemologist available to perform appraisals and assist with stone selection. Shown: 14k yellow gold antique sunburst design pendant/brooch. (703) 356-0138.

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Garden Party

A featured property on the 2008 Historic Virginia Garden Week Tour, "Duck's Nest" is a delightful brick cottage located in the heart of historic Irvington, Va. Situated on a beautiful point overlooking the peaceful waters of Carter's Creek with easy access to the Chesapeake Bay, this 5 bedroom, 6 1/2 bath residence boasts a state-of-the-art kitchen, large screened porch, vaulted and beamed living room with French doors opening to a stone terrace. In addition, an elegant swimming pool leads to a pool house with kitchen, bath and fireplace, and a pier with deep water dockage. For additional information, contact Emily Carter of Jim & Pat Carter Real Estate at (866) 541-5156 or visit www.cartercountryinfo.



La Vie en Rose

Boone & Sons is a family owned jewelry store that has come to embody founder French Boone's dream – a shop with the product and level of expertise of a world class jeweler combined with the warmth, atmosphere and personal service of a small boutique. Their three locations in DC, Md., and Va. showcase the finest in important diamonds, platinum and 18k gold creations, precious stones, pearls, watches and much more. Shown: Original 18k white gold diamond, pink sapphire and semi-precious pink colored cocktails rings. Price upon request. In Md. (301) 657-2144; DC (202) 785-4653; and Va. (703) 734-3997.