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Take "Fire and Earth," a stunning, one-of-a-kind necklace made by hand by noted artist and jewelry designer Lucia Antonelli. It was commissioned by the publisher of FABULOUS FLOORS and donated to the American Society of Interior Designers Foundation for its 2006 ASID Foundation "fun-raiser" auction scheduled for March 17, 2006 at the Country Music Hall of Fame in Nashville, Tennessee.

"FABULOUS FLOORS is proud to be an ASID Industry Partner and to have a unique opportunity to bring together the diverse worlds of flooring, design and artistry for this educational cause," says Publisher Sonna Calandrino.

"FIRE and EARTH," features a sterling silver bezel embracing glass mosaic tiles ("Bohemian" from Vitra Art Series by Florida Tile), antique Tibetan silver with a carved antique ivory button and tiny antique French brass beads (circa early 1900s) mixed with antique bronze and silver, carnelian, red jasper and old carved ivory beads. It is valued by the artist at \$3,800.

An artist since childhood, Lucia Antonelli is a graduate of the Fashion Institute of Technology in New York and has worked in illustration, leather handbag design, stained glass, weaving and clay.

"It must have been kismet more than 30 years ago," says Publisher Calandrino, "when a shop owner invited Lucia to begin stringing necklaces for the store, for it began a life-long and passionate affair with the medium. Working largely by hand and incorporating stringing, sewing and braiding in intricate ways, Lucia's pieces are intended from the beginning to be wearable art which connects past to present."

Lucia's works have been featured in numerous publications as well as invitational and juried shows (including museums), and they have been purchased by prominent personalities such as Cher, Whoopi Goldberg, Cloris Leachman, Elizabeth Taylor, Debbie Reynolds, Mrs. Frank Zappa, Charles Bronson and actresses Jennifer Jones and Martha Hyer.

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