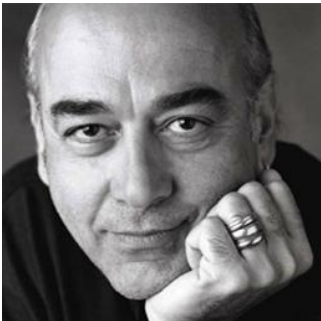




GURHAN JEWELER



"Every handmade piece has small imperfections from the hand hammering and handcrafted work that are my 'fingerprints'" - GURHAN

GURHAN'S inspiration is pure and classic, borrowed from the techniques and material choices of the Anatolian and Byzantine empires yet his style is elegant, unique and eternal. Gurhan, originally from Turkey, started his jewelry career at the age of 40 when he was shown a sheet of pure 24 karat gold on a trip to Istanbul. He decided then and there to become a jeweler, working with this unique material.

His first line featured 24-karat gold, which before GURHAN had not been used in jewelry since ancient times. He then began working with pure platinum, followed by pure silver. His fourth and newest line, 4/24, combines an early Ottoman alloy containing 4 karats of gold with 24-karat gold. GURHAN uses ancient techniques and tools, often incorporating unusual stones or mixing metals.

Gurhan's reincarnation of ancient goldsmith techniques first won him recognition in the late 1990s by Barneys New York. Now sold and collected world wide, his pieces have been worn by celebrities Angelina Jolie, Gwen Stefani and Jennifer Lopez. His collectors include First Ladies Hilary Rodham Clinton and Laura Bush.

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