



**Marc Stiglitz of HAND in HAND custom jewelry design Awarded The 2009 Robert B. Westover Scholarship**

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SAN FRANCISCO/EWORLDWIRE/May 13, 2009 --- The California Jewelers Association has named Marc Stiglitz, owner and head designer of HAND in HAND custom jewelry design, the 2009 Robert B. Westover Scholarship recipient. This scholarship is designed to financially support and encourage one jewelry industry professional per year to pursue continuing education at the Gemological Institute of America.

"I'm deeply honored and completely humbled that the executive leadership of the CJA responded so strongly to the unique story of HAND in HAND, the exquisite, personally meaningful and one-of-a-kind fine jewelry designs we create and from minute one that we have used HAND in HAND as a vehicle to support a wide range of philanthropies that we care about deeply," said Stiglitz. "Given the overall talent that exists within the entire jewelry industry, it's an amazing feeling to be the exclusive winner of this prestigious scholarship."

Stiglitz will use the funding to continue to formalize his education in diamonds and gemstones while completing his graduate gemologist (G.G.) degree.

To learn more about HAND in HAND custom jewelry design, please visit '<http://www.handinhandsf.com>'.

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