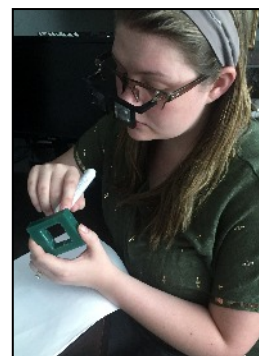




CADY CARLSON DESIGNS –

Lost Ring Replaced w/ New Memory



John wanted to replace a lost wedding ring with something special and was interested in being able to see what it would look like ahead of time with the CAD software I use to design most fine jewelry and accessories. It



renders out the client's idea on the computer screen, and together we can make changes to see different concepts. He and his wife worked out something they ended up being pleased with. The

"Cady worked with me to design and make a replacement wedding ring. She used her CAD system to allow me to tweak the design to get what I wanted. She then produced exactly what I saw on the screen. Her workmanship was marvelous and I now have a family heirloom rather than the mass-produced product I lost," John said.

software, Matrix, is generally not available to independent jewelers because of the cost, but because that is a key component of my business, I stay on top of current software development and recently purchased the much-advanced Matrix 9. CCD will be one of the few independent jewelers in the U.S. to have this software.

Jewelry Cleaning: Do's & Don'ts

DO

- Use Dawn dish soap, warm water, and a soft toothbrush to clean any residue off metal jewelry and pieces with diamonds
- Use pre-made jewelry cleaners (if nothing else, they won't hurt anything)
- Take your pieces in for professional cleaning and checks once to twice a year. Most places, including myself, do this for free

DON'T

- Try to make your own jewelry solution. The how-to's online often are instructions for making a harsh acid which can damage your jewelry over time or give you a chemical burn
- Exercise, cook, or do chemically based house-hold chores in your jewelry
- Submerge your pearl jewelry in ANYTHING

Note "polishing" is different than "cleaning." Cleaning removes dirt and grime, polishing buffs the surface of the metal by removing a finite amount of material. Thus, do not polish your plated jewelry without guidance. Of course, if you are in the Tulsa area you can always give me a call and I'll pick up your jewelry for free cleaning and stone checks, or you can call to come by the studio and enjoy something tasty while I clean it for you.

In the News...

Due in about equal parts to my partnership with Shapeways and to growing business in general, CCD designs are truly all over the world!... Also of recent note this week I am taping a segment for the **Discover Tulsa TV series** – stay tuned for info on how to view.... And my pieces have continued to sell well at the AHHA in downtown Tulsa, as well as the **Gryphon's Roost Gallery & Day Spa** in Eureka Springs, AR. An ever-expanding inventory also is available at cadycarlson.com and through Shapeways.com/shops/cadycarlsondesigns... For all you techies (and even the technologically challenged!) make plans to stop by and catch me in action at the **Tulsa Mini Maker Faire** from 10-5 Saturday, August 26 at the Tulsa Expo Square Central Park Hall. This family-friendly event celebrates technology, education, science, arts, crafts, engineering, food, sustainability and more... And, finally, on a more artsy note, I recently placed in **Art Jewels**, an **International Contest** co-sponsored by the SMK Museum (National Gallery of Denmark) and Shapeways to create jewelry inspired by several paintings that recently reached their copyright expiration. The



contest celebrates the SMK Open – a four-year project to make its art collection freely and instantly available digitally in high resolution format to anyone. Before this project, the museum was only able to display .6 percent of its art. I retain the design rights to the earrings, which already are available in my Shapeways shop in various metals, and am in discussions for also selling them in the museum's gift shop, as well.



Selected SMK Museum inspiration painting *At the French Windows, Artist's Wife* by Laurits Andersen Ring, 1897, Oil on Canvas

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