



"Cocoon Kaftan"
—Ellen Brook



"Tall Shawl"—Ellen Brook

T rue fashionistas know that to keep their look current and unique they need to seek out design talent and innovation. Who has the time—right? Thanks to Diane Master, Renee Berenson, and Lauren Skillman, you can skip the search and head straight to **STYLE '16 (April 9 – 10)**, a two-day shopping event that brings together distinctive jewelry, textiles, and accessories straight from the artists' studios to discerning shoppers in support of a worthy cause. Master, who is known for her impeccable eye, spends her year hunting for the best of the best and personally curates the designers who show at STYLE '16.

Master, Berenson, and Skillman are especially proud of this year's line-up that includes 50 independent designers. Their talents run the gamut from being masters of ancient techniques to experts at employing state-of-the-art technologies to create distinctive one-off and limited edition pieces.

On hand will be noted jewelry brand Slice Lab, which utilizes 3D printing to forge elegant and unexpected jewelry of gold, silver, and acrylic. Textile experts, including NYC's Mary

STYLE '16 will bring together some of the most talented and cutting-edge designers for a shopping event and fundraiser benefiting **Palo Alto Medical Foundation's Women's Cancer Survivorship Program.**

Jaeger, Gild the Lily, Judith Content, and Ana Lisa Hedstrom, will exhibit their mastery of modern design mixed with Shibori, a 1,200-year-old Japanese dyeing technique.

The event, now in its 10th year, will also feature work by Dutch designer, Annemieke Broenink, who creates timeless jewelry from rubber and was recently discovered by famed *NY Times* street fashion photographer Bill Cunningham. Jyotsna Singh of Manjusha Jewels creates contemporary jewels influenced by the designs of the great European jewelry houses that made Victorian Jewelry for the Indian Maharajas in the last century. **Both Ellen Brook and Sudnya Schroff began their creative lives as painters and have now turned their brushes to the design of fabrics, creating gorgeous graphic prints and tasteful silhouettes.**

A growing area among STYLE designers is in the use of sustainable fabrics, methods, and materials. Sandra Althouse of Oldhouse, and Heidi Paul both use reclaimed cashmere to dramatically different effect. Victoria Skirpa creates sustainable jewelry using only eco-friendly materials and ethically sourced gems.

Notes Master, "Each and every STYLE '16 artist has his own story to tell. At the event, shoppers can see, try on, and purchase gorgeous pieces as well as meet the designers themselves."

The event will be held at the art and light-filled **Mountain View Center of the Palo Alto Medical Foundation** and will benefit the **PAMF Women's Cancer Survivorship Program**. **For tickets, more details, and a complete list of designers, please visit www.style.lucenestudio.com.** ♦