

«Tina Khmelnitskaya. Inspired by Finland. New Jewelry Story»

«The country of thousands of lakes and islands» with amazing northern nature, millions of azure lakes and romantic «carpet» of forests, for a long time has been a source of inspiration for artists and poets. This northern country changes its appearance followed by seasons of the year, though by magic: color, light, sounds, smells - in Finland, you can really feel in harmony with the environment.



Necklace "In the country of multi-colored stones and rocks"

A series of jewelry by Tina Khmelnitskaya «Inspired by Finland. New Jewelry Story» is devoted to the amazing nature of this country. In her jewelry pieces she is telling about her feelings being on a sunny morning in Porvoo or experiencing dark evening on the shores of Lake Saimaa.



Necklace «Sunny day, Finland»



Necklace «Finland. Dark Autumn Nights in Saimaa Lake»

Lapland calls with its fabulous atmosphere which gives a feeling of joy and magic: silver-white shades of the local landscape, the northern lights, spread over the sky in different colors, represented by Tina Khmelnitskaya in a number of jewelry pieces created from polymer clay and sculpey — material which helps to transfer amazing "snow" texture into the jewelry art.



Necklace «Lapland Ice»



Necklace and bracelet «Snow in Lapland»

In Finland, a source of inspiration for many artists is invariably Karelian-Finnish epic poem "Kalevala" and its mythological heroes. Necklace «Fairy bear of the epic «Kalevala» and others bring new light on the epic images of folkloric characters.



Necklace «Fairy bear of the epic "Kalevala»

As is known, the epic consists of 50 runes, folk epic songs. Necklace «Singing Kalevala Rune» not only represents one of the fabulous marine creatures, but also thanks to built-in speaker sings one of the songs of Kalevala.



Necklace «Singing Kalevala Rune»

It is impossible to think about Nordic culture without fairy trolls. Their modern, contemporary look in computer games and new fantasy literature is different from the well-known Mummiy Troll by Tove Jansson, inhabiting the island Kailo. Tina Khmelnytskaya is created a fantastic image of a modern troll with bright neon hair in the necklace "Dancing Troll", who begins to dance with joy every time he hears the sounds of music.



Necklace «Dancing Troll»

Helsinki - a city with its own architectural "character", that combines features of the Scandinavian modern and austere spirit of the Middle Ages. In the necklace «Helsinki. Old Town» Tina Khmel'nitskaya shows what kind of intertwined different artistic styles combined in this romantic northern city.



Necklace «Helsinki. Old Town»

This and other jewelry pieces can be seen on exhibition «Tina Khmelnitskaya. Inspired by Finland. New Jewelry Story» in the Nelimarkka-museo, The Regional Art Museum of Southern Ostrobothnia. Opening on ?? September 2016.

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