

SPRING off



Nature and jewelry come together in these precious pieces crafted by Stephanie Simek. The Speckled Quail Egg Pendant is made from actual quail eggs and ined with 23k gold leaf and then coated in plastic for trength. The Eyelash necklaces feature 100% human nair and sterling silver (various styles include beads or pearls). These conversation starters are also affordable – what's not to like? Take a look at stephaniesimek.com



Young Canadian designer Jeremy Laing's spring/summer '08 line showcases watercolor fireworks by artist Karen Azoulay in the architecturally draped fabrics. Soft, flowing prints in rich blues and purples highlight the crisp lines of these fresh pieces. See more at jeremylaing.com







The Fortune Teller

Handcrafted puppets spin a darkly comic tale of morality on stage in theater artist Erik Sanko's wonderfully macabre marionette show. Seven folksy, grotesque wooden puppets representing the seven deadly sins meet their ends in a miniature gothic world crafted by a top-notch design team (including Sanko's wife, Jessica Grindstaff). Echoes of Edward Gorey, David Lynch, and Tim Burton can be found in the play, which takes the unsettling aesthetic of puppets to the extreme. "Very few puppet theaters take advantage of their creepy factor," says Sanko. *The Fortune Teller* utilizes this uncanny power in the best possible way. Find out more about this devilishly good show at eriksanko.com

