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### Classy! The Revere Academy of Jewelry Arts

Learn how to make classic jewelry in as little as three days! [The Revere Academy](#) is listed in OPEN EXCHANGE's Arts & Crafts section.

The Revere Academy is a professional jewelry school where master craftsmen pass on their skills and knowledge to students of all levels and ages. Beginners and hobbyists as well as experienced working bench jewelers come for dozens of short, intensive classes and diploma programs lasting 2-4 months.

For those who want to try their hand at jewelry making, Revere offers a 3-day beginning class on fabricating metal jewelry. Fabrication I is intended for those with little or no previous experience. The class introduces basic jewelry tools and fabrication skills such as sawing, filing, soldering, drilling and polishing. For those already making jewelry using primarily beading techniques, this class is a great chance to learn more, expand their repertoire of skills and add hand made metal components to their beaded pieces.

Many students take the Fabrication 1 class and discover their true passion: making jewelry by hand. Students who want to develop a repertoire of professional skills can take classes to develop specialized skills or earn one of two Diploma Programs, the Jewelry Technician or the Graduate Jeweler. Students receive the diplomas by taking a prescribed series of classes during the Academy's Open Session. The Revere Academy's Open Session offers students the opportunity and flexibility to create an individual program on a full-time or part-time basis to meet their time and financial requirements.

In the spring of 2000, Revere introduced the Jewelry Technician Intensive (JTI) program to provide focused, concentrated training for those serious about making jewelry. Since the JTI program's inception, many of Revere's students have gone on to pursue very successful careers in jewelry making. Ryan Borzin of Pleasant Hill credits his success in the field to his training at Revere. "I was a novice when I started, by the time I finished the JTI, I already knew most of the same skills as jewelers with years of experience; it was just a matter of practicing what I had learned. Now, three years later, I was just promoted to head jeweler at my shop, and I was selected as employee of the month."



*Genevieve Yang, Revere Academy Graduate, wearing her "Spot Ensemble" in 24k gold and sterling silver.*