



# ARGENTON DESIGN

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**ONE OF AUSTRALIA'S MOST** talented young designers, Lisa Argenton, has spent the last few years designing and producing innovative jewellery.

Using combinations of traditional materials such as diamonds and South Sea pearls, Lisa creates unusual pieces that seem to be almost fluid from a distance.

“I design pieces to suit modern men and women,” Lisa says. “They are quite contemporary but at the same time they are wearable, elegant and timeless.”

When admiring Lisa's designs, her vast influences become obvious. “I love the balance and harmony seen in ancient art, especially from China. I am also inspired by the visual contrasts of the city by night and day. And its amazing architecture. The beauty of nature also captures my imagination, so in essence my work can appear to be either organic or geometric and directional.”

Lisa designs engagement rings with a difference for women who want something that is truly unique. She also creates matching unisex wedding rings and willingly admits that designing engagement and wedding rings with happy couples is one of her greatest passions.

“I love talking to people and designing rings that are individually tailored to suit them, so that they have something that

no-one else has,” she enthuses. “When they are able to put effort and influence into their own jewellery the experience is very personal.”

Communicating ideas and working with them on paper and in either wax or silver models is a process Lisa has perfected. “I will make a ring out of wax or silver and then we eliminate all aspects of the design that a client doesn't like until it is perfect. After the client is sure that they are happy, I hand-make the piece in the desired metal, usually 18-carat gold or platinum.”

Clients are also encouraged to choose their own stones from a quality selection hand-picked by Lisa. “Designing jewellery deeply satisfies me and makes me feel proud,” she says. “When I work with a couple, I respect the fact that they have chosen me to play an important part in their lives.” Lisa's one-on-one style of design ensures that each client receives a quality product at a reasonable price.

Despite her young age, Lisa is no stranger to success in the jewellery industry. After becoming a qualified jeweller, she won the coveted Julia Myers Award for her outstanding achievements at the completion of her diploma of gemmology and diploma in diamond technology.