

South Africa's favourite artists at the Mount Nelson's Signature Boutique - and for a good cause too

Cape Town, July 2011: The Mount Nelson Hotel's Signature Boutique has recently started selling works by celebrated South African artists, sculptors, designers and jewellers who are represented in the Carla Antoni Collection. The artworks embody the spirit of Africa and include items made by artists, sculptors, designers and jewellers.

The Carla Antoni Collection was born last year after Carla realised that there was a niche gap in the market - she explains: "Drawing on the emerging and diverse talent in Africa as my inspiration, I approached artists, sculptors, designers and jewellers to give life to my vision of gifts that were not only beautifully crafted but also stylish and elegantly presented and packaged, while at the same time also contributing to a worthy cause. This is how I captured the spirit of Africa."

Every purchase from the Carla Antoni Collection contributes to The Lunchbox Fund www.thelunchboxfund.org which is dedicated to providing a daily meal for poor school children in South Africa. A percentage of proceeds from the bronze rhino sculptures by Bronze Age goes to The Rhino Security Project, an initiative by The Endangered Wildlife Trust www.ewt.org.za, to fund efforts to combat the brutal poaching of rhinos in South Africa. In 2010 alone 334 rhinos were poached for their precious horns.

Some of the desirable gifts in the Carla Antoni Collection at the Mount Nelson Hotel includes Glacier-cut Tea light holders by glass artist David Reade, oversized metal earrings and bangles by Ida Elsje, espresso cups by Louise Gelderblom, one of a kind domino sets by Paul du Toit, designer cuffs by Philippa Green, perfume by Tammy Frazer,

Croc clutches (CITES approved) by Leather Rose, mood candles by Earl Jones and the rhino sculptures by Bronze Age.

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