

KIMBELL ART MUSEUM – RENZO PIANO PAVILION

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Opened in 2013, the Renzo Piano Pavilion was a highly anticipated event at the Kimbell Art Museum. The Fort Worth institution is renowned for its superb collection which represents important works from around the globe dating to antiquity and is especially rich in Italian Renaissance paintings. Only the best would do for the debut of the Piano Pavilion, and museum director, Eric Lee, knew exactly who should mastermind its store: Mary. She visited top markets around the world selecting artful, top quality goods not found in the Dallas-Fort Worth area, such as hammered metal bowls and Ardmore ceramics from South Africa, unique Italian leather goods and colorful American stemware. Drawing on her up-to-the-minute knowledge of retail trends, she devoted nearly 40 percent of the inventory to jewelry. Among the highly curated selection were innovative silk and silicone baubles from Paris, Renaissance-like glass beaded jewelry created in Germany and contemporary sculpted bronze adornments handmade in Dallas. The brilliantly curated trove aligned with the quality of the Kimbell's esteemed collection while addressing a full range of price points from inexpensive to luxury.

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