

## “WORLD OF STONES” SHOW, JUNE 2009



Building of the Saint-Petersburg State Artistic-Industrial Academy after A.L. Shtiglits, where “World of Stones” Shows take place regularly

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Interior of the main hall of the Academy leaves few to be indifferent

For everybody, who follows the cultural life of Saint-Petersburg, the exhibition-fairs “World of Stones” – event of special importance. It is difficult to imagine another similar event, where the stone – precious and ornamental, in articles or natural specimens, so reigns without competition, filling by itself limitless rows and counters. Thousands of citizens and guests of the city from various parts of Russia and foreign countries captivate the halls of the Saint Petersburg State Artistic-Industrial Academy after A.L. Shtiglits in the Solyanyiy lane, where these wonderful holidays of stone being held regularly.

The summer Show “World of Stones”, which took place on 11–14 June 2009, was not an exclusion both regarding a number of participants (they were more than 300) and a number of visitors (dozens of thousands). It passed, it might say, “as always” – that means: as always at high level.

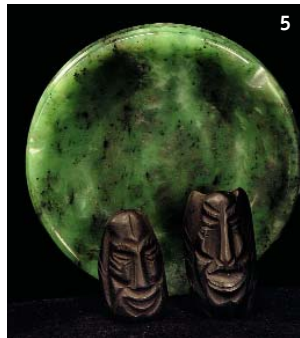
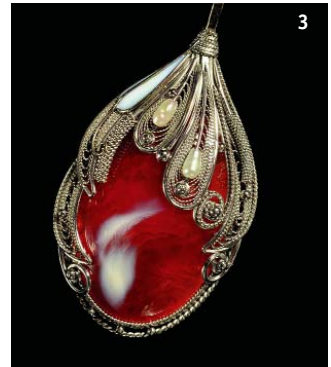
Its organizers do not feel sorry for both time and force in order to make fairs not only successful events, but also cognitive events, where every visitor without dependence of age and knowledge sphere, might find for himself something interesting. For example, here one can not only buy article – but also create it by his hands under the guidance of experienced designer. And children have an opportunity to mould by their hands a souvenir from clay or to study to cut stones upon stone saw instruments.

Lovers of the mode are also not forgotten: at the fair there was a festival “Nail of the Season”, at which were shown novelties of designer ideas – summer models of decorations from stones and bijouterie. Not were forgotten also students-artists – their works were represented at special exposition.

We want to wish to organizers of the Show new achievements, health and patience for realization of their numerous ideas into life.







1. High skill of the stone-cutters is especially noted on such simple articles, as balls from stone. These gigantic balls – a kind of masterpiece of stone-cutting art

2. Immediately here at the fair one will make you a stone decoration

3. The workshop of Ivan Khalenkov represented at the fair excellently fulfilled works

4. At the fair the "World of Stones" the visitors are always welcome

5. Wide range of materials, used by stone-cutter Sergei Bakaev: plate (nephrite), masks (gagat)

6. At the exhibition of works of students of St. Petersburg State Artistic-Industrial Academy after A.L. Shtiglits was also something to catch the fancy of: art-object "Armchair" by N. Shuleva

7. Malachite is used traditionally wide by Russian stone-cutters and jewelers. A set (malachite), Yu.M. Podolyak