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About the Artisans

Trinity Jewellery Crafts

Trinity Jewellery is a small business located on the edge of the Dandora slums, one of the poorest sections of Nairobi and home to thousands of Kenyans. Joseph Muchina, the director, and the other two founding members of Trinity grew up in the neighbourhood. Like most slum children, Joseph had no father and was unable to go to school. His life was changed when he and his friends were educated and trained in jewellery creation at a handicraft project. A private entrepreneur, Muchina helps others from the slums by providing employment opportunities. He does the design work, finding his inspiration in traditional African jewellery. He believes that economic opportunity, rather than handouts from government or charities, is the most effective way to address poverty.

Circle of Life Bracelet

Spark conversations with this unique silver-plated bracelet. Shimmering with spirals, this piece has a traditional African design. Adjusts to different wrist sizes. Try it on and let yourself shine.



Special Details:

Wire wrapping is used to produce intricate effects with simple tools and materials. Skilled artisans manipulate wire with vises, jigs, and pliers to overlap, knot, weave, and coil wire into the desired shape. This technique can also be used to attach beads or gemstones to a piece, or string beads to create a necklace or bracelet. The resulting jewellery piece is beautiful and complex, though the materials may be humble.

Materials:

white metal

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