

# GREG S WHITE

## *Jeweler and Silversmith*

Greg White is a master jewelry maker and rock-hound, born on the Utah/Arizona border in an area known as the Arizona Strip, which was once inhabited by ancient Pueblo Indians. This region provided Greg with the inspiration and enthusiasm he needed to discover the age-old craft of silversmithing and jewelry making. He chose to eschew modern tools and instead use the same metal-working processes his ancestors learned from the Spanish, which has given him a greater appreciation for the intricacies of hand-crafted jewelry.



Greg has a particular passion for the art of turquoise jewelry, particularly the Southwestern Native American style. He is known for his exceptional quality and is recognized throughout the world for his work. The Pueblo-style of jewelry-making



tends to emphasize the silver, valuing its weight and sheen, as well as its ability to be embossed with decorative patterns. Greg has a tremendous respect for the craftsmanship of his ancestors and as such, he uses several ancient techniques to create the desired shape. This can be achieved by cutting a silver sheet or casting the silver in a flat-mold.

In addition to these techniques, Greg has also mastered construction and decoration techniques such as shaping silver by pounding it into dies and utilizing soldering, which allows him to both set the turquoise stones into the silver. All of these skills allow him to create more complex and sophisticated jewelry. He delights in the long, tedious hours of crafting purely for the love of his craft and his hope is that one patron in particular will fall in love with that special piece of hand-crafted southwestern worn-art. The treasure he creates is as much a part of him as it is of the earth.

Greg White is a true master of his craft, who has a deep respect for the history and traditions of the jewelry-making industry. His passion for creating unique and beautiful pieces of jewelry is evident in his work, and his love for the process is what sets him apart. He is a true artist who has honed his skills to create pieces that are not only beautiful but also timeless.



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