

# ROWENA MURRAY



**Rowena Murray is a British jewellery designer and graduate of the Royal College of Art in London. She also studied luxury design at the Creative Academy, Richmond design school in Milan and gained a gemologist diploma from the Gemological Institute of America, where she later went on to teach.**

Over the past 10 years Rowena has designed both jewellery and watch collections for brands such as Van Cleef & Arpels, Accessorize and Audemars Piguet. In 2010 her MA collection was named 'Best Work in Jewellery' at the RCA/Theo Fennell Awards, while her watch designs for Van Cleef & Arpels were nominee and prize winner in the 'Ladies Watch' category at the Grand Prix d'Horlogerie de Genève in 2009 & 10.

Now based in Germany, in 2017 she established a design studio specialising in educational objects and jewellery for children and young families.

she says:

'When my niece arrived a few years ago, as well friends' children around the same time, I found myself having enormous fun seeking out (and sometimes making) gifts for them. In fact, my designs have always been inspired by childhood. The lack of prejudice or preconceptions is at the heart of all creative inspiration! And so I realised that my own work could not only be about children but also for them. Objects that engage and open a door to a wider world.'