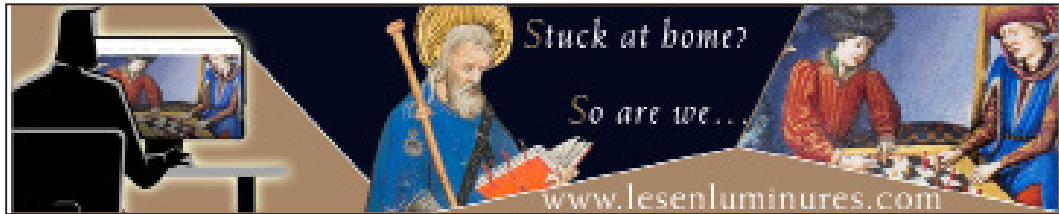


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## STUCK AT HOME? SO ARE WE (STILL) Les Enluminures online initiatives

Founded by Dr. Sandra Hindman more than twenty-five years ago and with galleries in Paris, Chicago, and New York, Les Enluminures has forged long-standing relationships with major museums and prestigious private collections throughout the world. The gallery exhibits at major art, antiques, and book fairs. Sandra Hindman is responsible for numerous publications on medieval manuscript illumination and historic jewelry; her scholarship over many decades has established a model for study in this field, and descriptions of works available in the gallery meet the same level of professionalism. Her large team located in major cities in the United States and abroad is composed of noted specialists in the field of medieval art and history.

**Les Enluminures has long been in the vanguard of the use of digital resources to disseminate information not only on works it offers for sale but also on medieval art and history for a broad audience.**

Now, during this exceptional time period, Les Enluminures has ramped up its virtual presence. In April, those on the extensive mailing list – or through Instagram, Twitter, and Facebook – accessed its innovative (and amusing and distracting) “April Showers 30 Days of Digital Delights.” Now, **April Showers Bring May Flowers.**

**Here, we call attention to longer-standing online initiatives that are ongoing today.**

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## 1. The Experience of PAIRINGS: A May Bouquet of Rings An Online Exhibition of Historic Rings

Milk and cookies, sauterne and foie gras, peanut butter and jelly, wine and cheese, coffee and cigarettes, muscadet and oysters, beer and pretzels ... these pairings have been around for a long time. Contrasting and blending two materials for sensual contemplation heightens the experience of each beautiful taste, smell, color, texture, and touch.

Unusual combinations are often the most pleasing! IBM supercomputer Watson has recently picked some unexpected pairings published in "The Flavor Matrix," based on shared chemical compounds or flavor molecules – avocado and cocoa, mushrooms and strawberries, coffee and carrots, caviar and white chocolate.

So why not flowers and rings?

We have tried our own hand at pairings based on color, shape, meaning. All rings are hyperlinked to fuller descriptions. Prices start at \$2,500. Find the one that you like best and wear it as flowers bloom around you.

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### With two new podcasts

Marc Montefusco, Managing Horticulturist, Medieval Garden, The Met Cloisters  
Diana Scarisbrick, Jewelry Historian

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## 2. Friday Faves: Conversations with Experts Short Videos on Individual Works of Art

Friday Faves is Les Enluminures newest online initiative highlighting favorite manuscripts, rings, and miniatures and recorded by specialists from our team. Every Friday, you can tune in for a few minutes with a different specialist, as they discuss a favorite work from the Les Enluminures collection. These are candid, casual conversations, often recorded from the comfort of our own home offices!

Every manuscript, ring, reliquary, and work of art is unique. Find out which works most excite our experts and learn about the intimacy of living and working with dazzling historic objects.

Velvet on books,  
And enamel on pendants,  
Bright golden pictures and colorful parchments  
Tiny gift boxes filled up with rings  
These are a few of our favorite things.

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