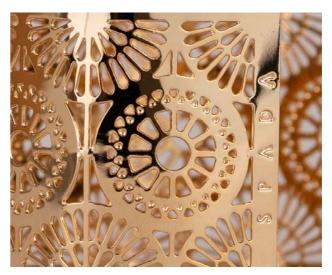


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"The mother art is architecture. Without an architecture of our own, we have no soul of our civilization."

Frank Lloyd Wright





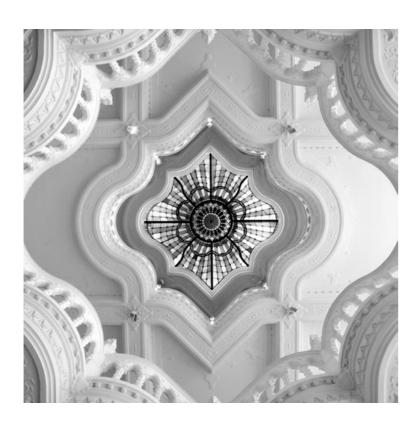


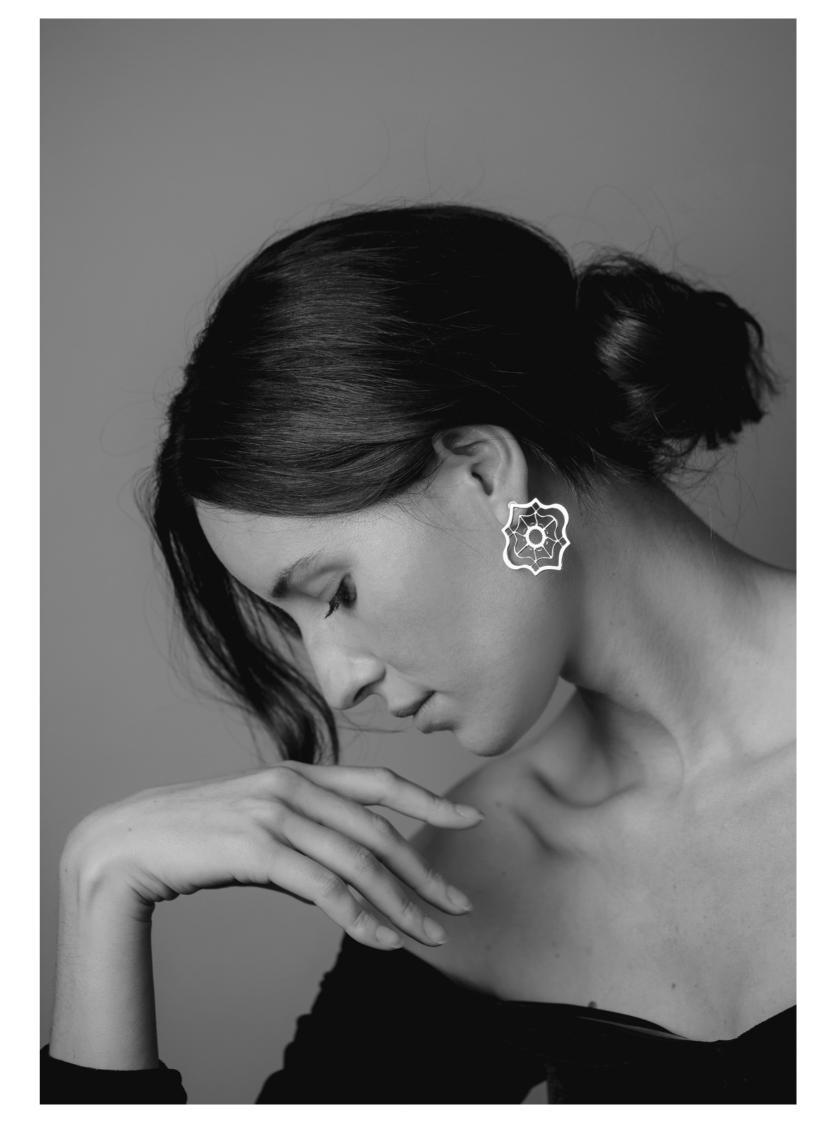


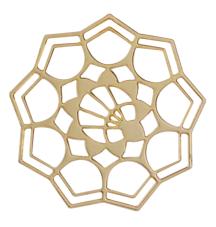
MUSEUM OF APPLIED ARTS

HUNGARY, 1872 Ödön Lechner Art Nouveau

Has 2 permanent collections:
Arts&Crafts and Islamic art.
The museum's stunning entral hall of white marble was modelled on the Alhambra in Spain.
The dome is decorated with Zsolnay ceramic tiles.



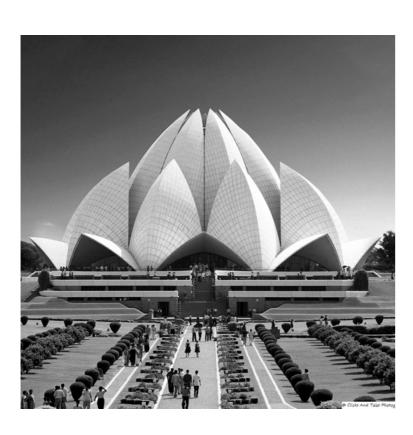


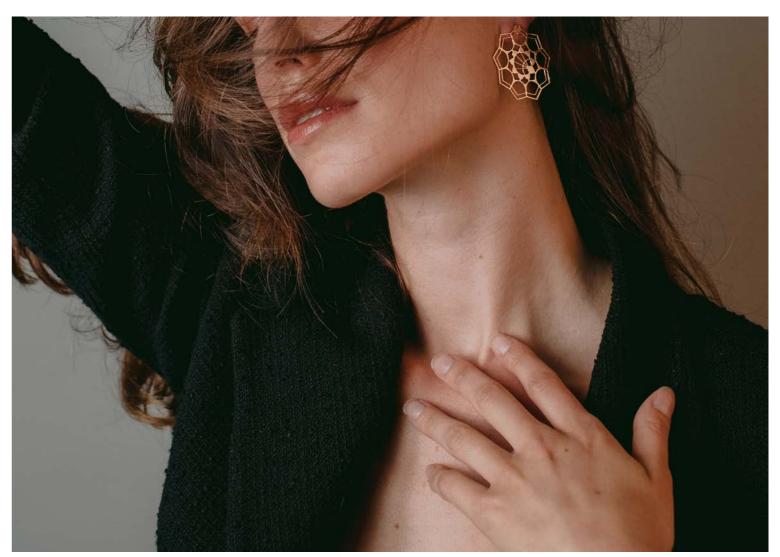


LOTUS TEMPLE

INDIA, 1986 Fariborz Sahba Expressionism

The Lotus Temple is a Bahá'í House of Worship, open to all religions. Measuring 34m at its highest, it is composed of 27 free-standing marble clad 'petals'.









FRIEDRICHSTRASSE SKYSCRAPER

GERMANYY, 1921 Ludwig Mies van der Rohe Modernism

The design for a crystal tower was unprecedent in 1921.

It was based on the untried idea that a supporting steel skeleton would be able to free the exterior walls from their load bearing function, allowing a building to have a surface more translucent than solid.





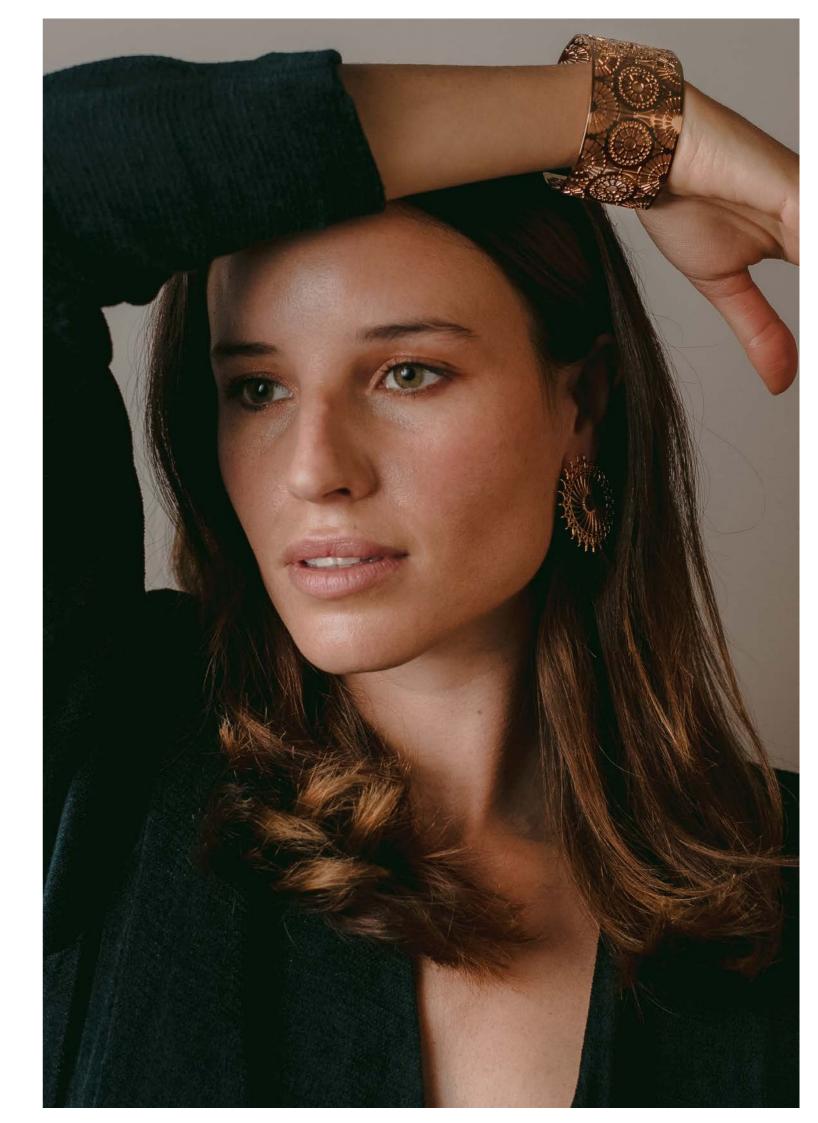


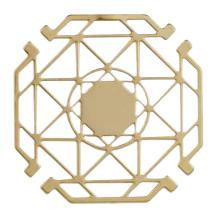
PALAZZETTO DELLO SPORT

ITALY, 1957 P. Nervi and A. Vitellozzi Modernism

Called by Zevi "a compressed Pantheon" it was built for the 1960 Olympics in Rome. The 78m diameter dome is made of 1620 precast concrete modules that create a pattern following the internal forces of the shell.





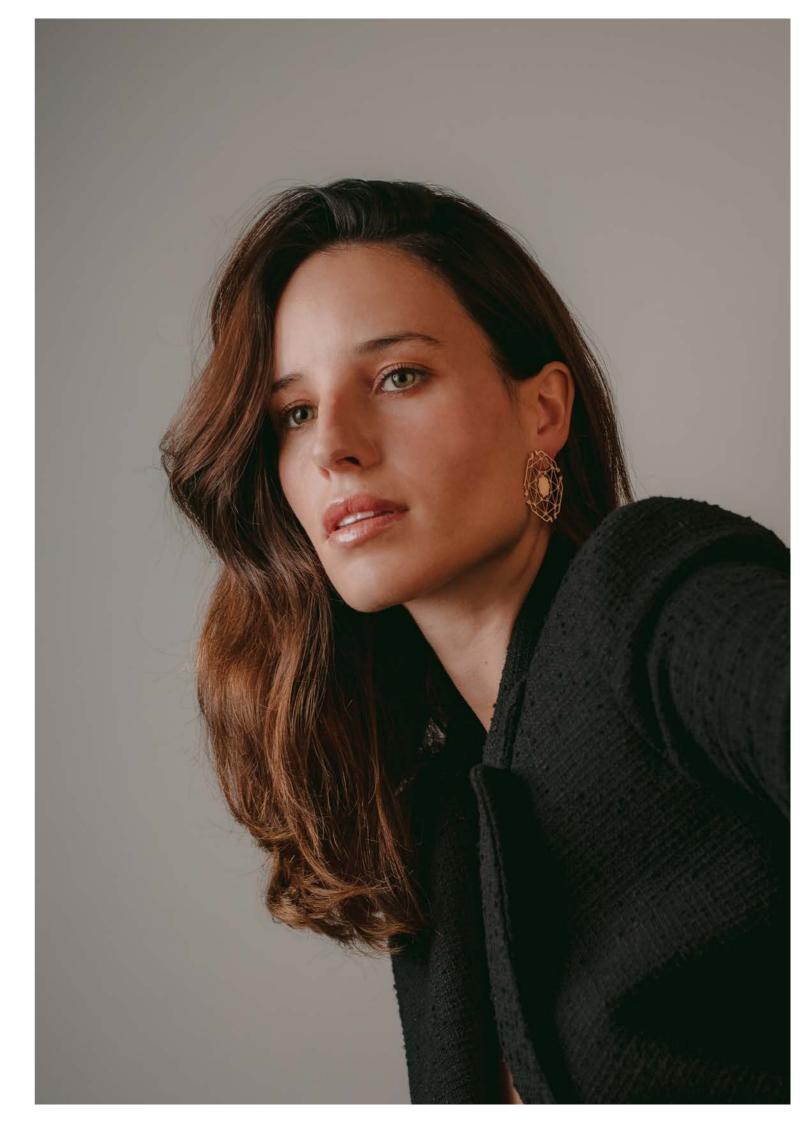


THE DOME OF THE ROCK

PALESTINE, 691 Umayyad Caliph Abd Al-Malik Umayyad/Ottoman

Jerusalem's UNESCO World Heritage Site.
The originally wooden dome is replaced by aluminum-bronze plates covered with gold leaf.
The Foundation Stone on which the temple is built has great religious significance for Jewish as the place where God created the world and the sacrifice of Abraham and for Muslims as the point from where Muhammad ascended to heaven.







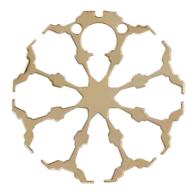
CASTLE OF GOOD HOPE

SOUTH AFRICA, 1679 P. Cool and P. Dombaer (engineer) Bastion Fort

Located in Cape Town,
The Castle is a stark remnant of the
dominance of European Colonial powers.
It is the eldest existing colonial building
in South Africa and the best preserved
example of a Dutch East India Company
fort worldwide.







RADCLIFFE CAMERA

ENGLAND, 1749 J. Gibbs Neo-Classical

The Rad Cam, also known as the "heart of Oxford" for its central location, was built to house the scientific books of James Radcliffe, the most successful physician in England. This cathedral of knowledge was the first circular library in England. It now functions as a reading room of the nearby Bodleian Library. An underground bookstore for 600,000 books lies beneath the Square.









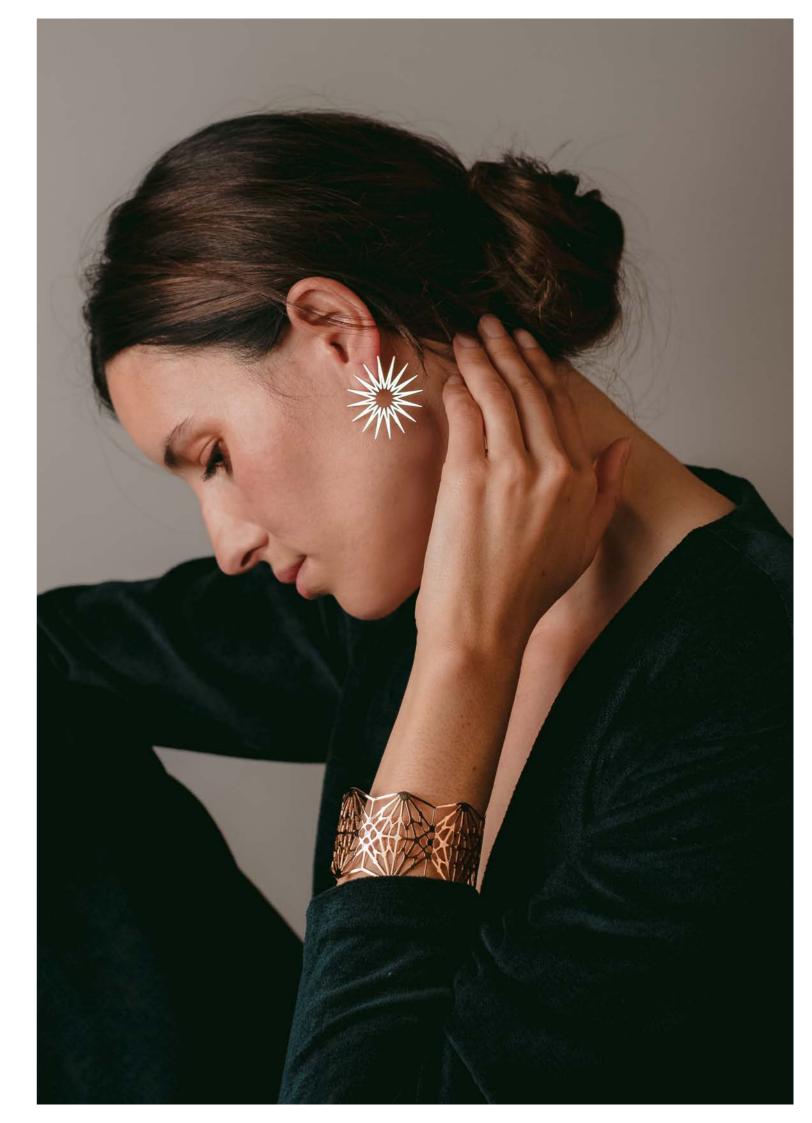
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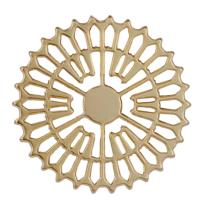
BRASIL, 1970 0. Niemeyer Modernism

With a diameter of 70m, the only visible structure is the cathedral being sixteen concrete columns with a very particular shape.

Reaching up towards the sky to represent two hands,
the columns have parabolic sections.







CORONA DE ESPINAS

SPAIN, 1967 F. Higueras and A. Miró Costructivism, Rationalism and Organic Architecture

Literally "the Crown of Thorns" due to its imposing round shape topped with jutted spiked points.

A modern cathedral dedicated to the conservation of Spanish historical heritage, resolved with modern te-chnology, but linked to a traditional sense of discipline in the same way that Gothic architects used repetitive systems.







CAPELAS IMPERFEITAS

PORTUGAL, 1434 Huguet Manueline (Portuguese late Gothic)

Aligned with the main chamber of the Monasterio da Batalha, an octogonal shape structure with 7 smalls

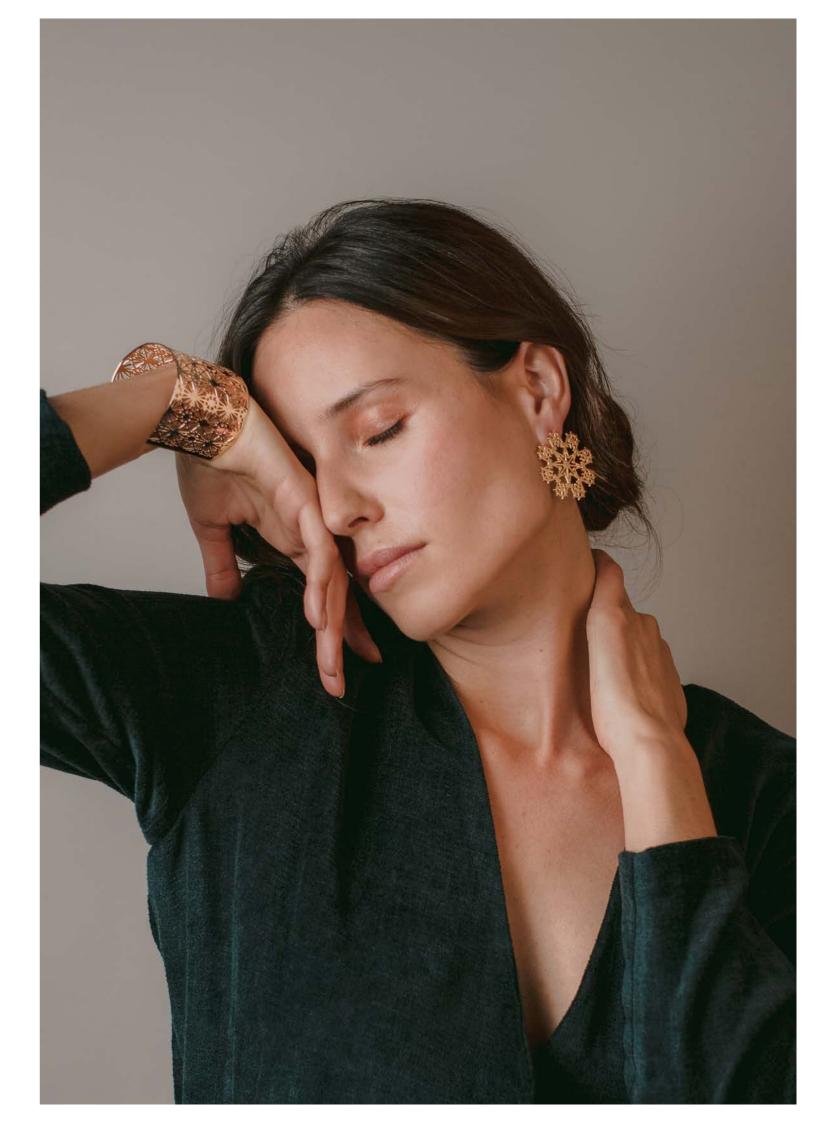
Batalha, an octogonal shape structure with / smalls radial chapels and one entrance separated by small triangular elements that were meant to be the buttress for the dome.

But this structure was never built and remained open air. That is why they are known as

Capelas Imperfeitas or

"Unfinished Chapels"







BAHAÁ`T HOUSE OF WORSHIP

USA, 1953 L. Bourgeois and G. Fuller Eclecticism

The eldest of the 8 surviving Bahá'í temples in the world.

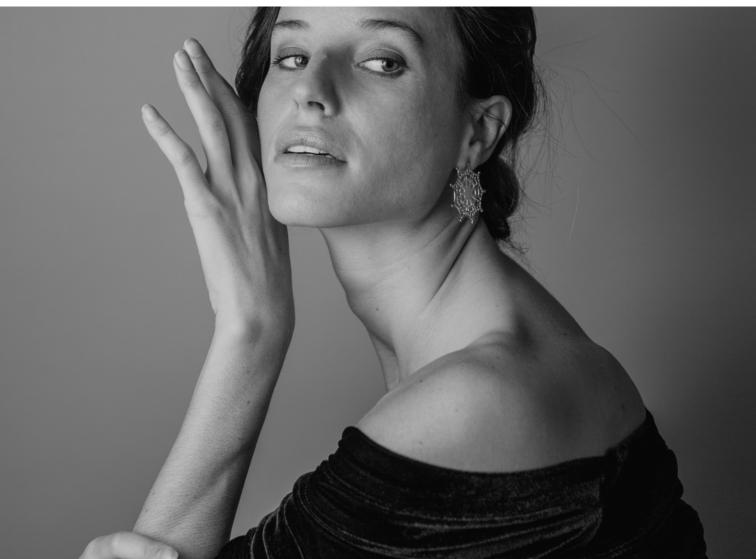
It has a radial composition with 9 segments, since nine is the last number in the decimal system, Bahá'ís believe it symbolizes perfection, completion, unity.

unity.

It is considered as one of the "Seven Wonders of Illinois" and included in the list of National Historic Places of USA.









WINCHESTER CATHEDRAL

UK, 1079-1093 Norman Gothic

It represents the ribs of its central nave (the largest in Europe of its style). A structural network for the roof of the building made up of segments of arches ("nerves") resting on columns to open large openings in the walls.

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They will evolve in more complex networks (fan vaults, characteristics of the English Gothic style, which will force the transformation of the supports.







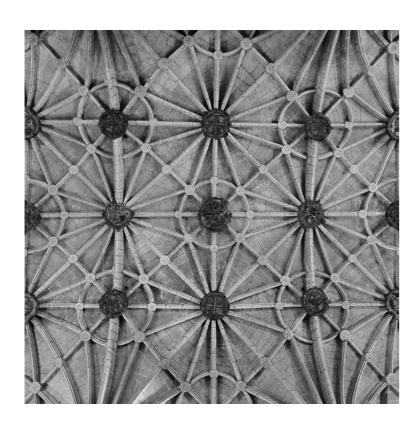
MONASTERIO DE BELEM

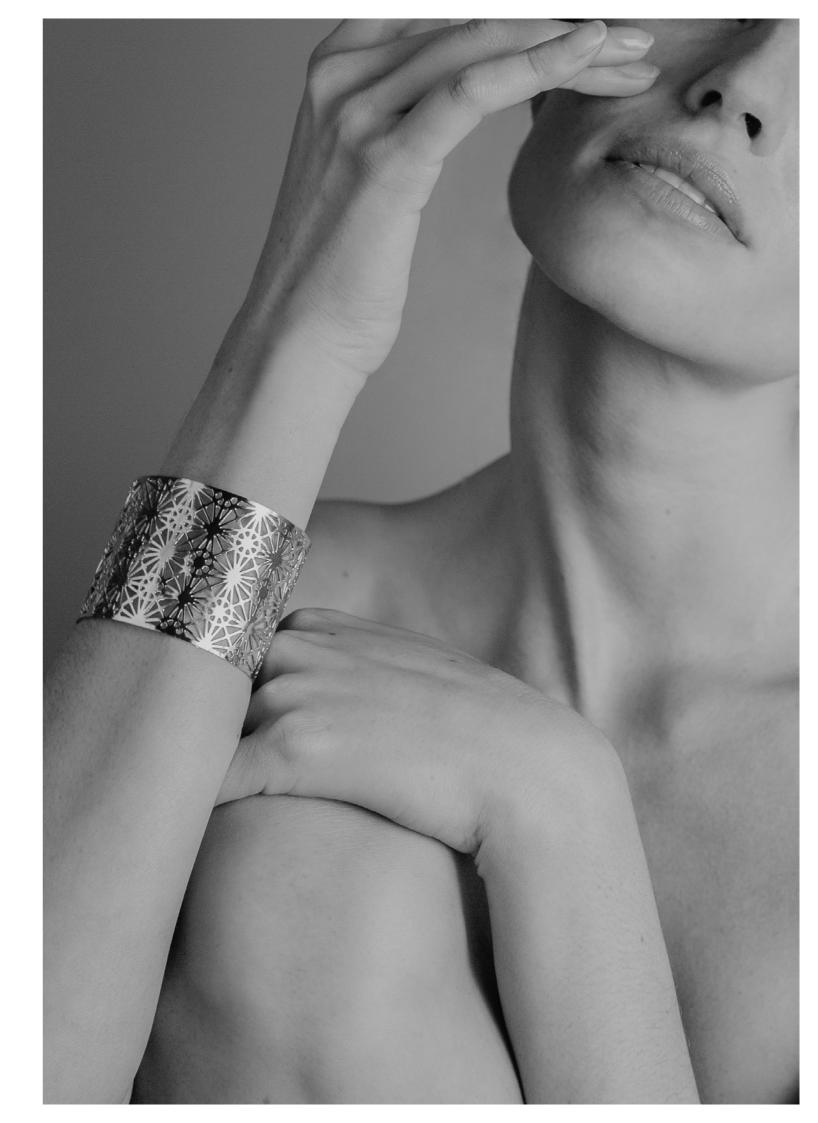
Portugal, 1079-1093 Late Gothic Manueline style Joao de Castilho

UNESCO World Heritage Site.

The supreme architectural representatives of a period in which the Portuguese nation played a leading role on maritime discoveries with Belem as their main port.

Its spectacular network vaulting that has no arches and is supported on finely carved columns. In the vast transept, secured by bosses, the vaulting seems to be suspended from the sky, for there is no column supporting it at all!







ST MARY ALDERMARY

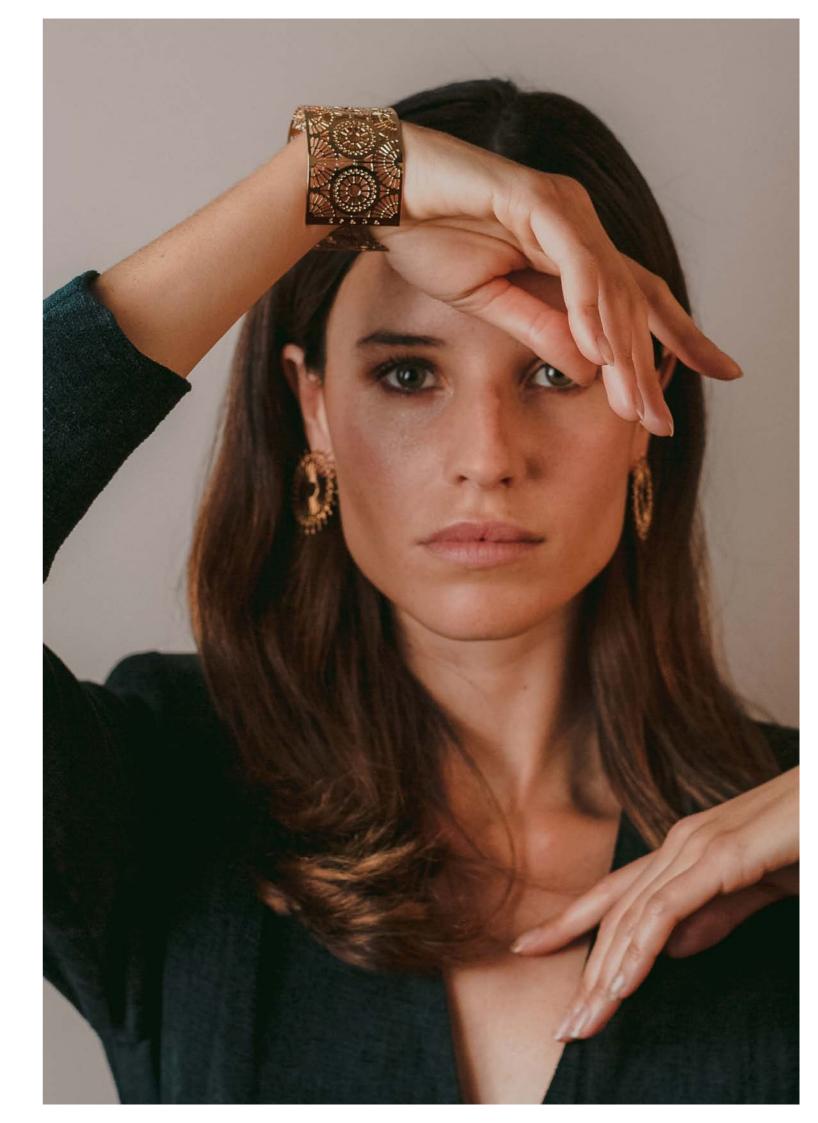
UK, 1681 Gothic style Sir Christopher Wren (last rebuilt)

The Anglician Church of St Mary Elder Mary, as its name indicates, is the oldest of the City churches dedicated to the Virgin Mary (900years old) and only surviving late c17th Gothic church in the City of London.

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