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Fine adornments

The creative works of well-known Israeli jewellery designer Ayala Bar are now exclusively available in the Garden Route at Tsikama Artworx in Plettenberg Bay. Timeless, elegant and somewhat Byzantine in style, Ayala Bar jewellery combines glass beads, crystal rhinestones, mineral stones and even fabric into classic, collectable pieces in exquisite colour combinations. Ayala creates only two seasonal collections a year, and her latest offerings have just arrived – with something pretty for every taste and style. Prices range from R445 to R4,500. Shop 6, The Square, Main Street, Plettenberg Bay 044 533 2191



A feast of flowers

The annual Fynbos Festival at the Garden Route Botanical Gardens in George has over the years changed format to include an environmental exhibition, talks and demonstrations and, of course, the famous indigenous plant sale. Held over two days on 8 and 9 October, the festival will for the first time present an acoustic jam session by local musicians to entertain visitors from 6pm on Friday night, in addition to a beer tent, food stalls and activities for kids. With five local nurseries taking part, expect a wide selection of drought-resistant fynbos and succulents that will brighten your day and your garden. 044 874 1558 www.botanicalgarden.org.za



DESIGN WITH SWING

If you're looking for some new ideas for your home, the design exhibition during the Architectural Golf Classic tournament at Pezula Clubhouse in Knysna will be open to the public. More than 50 exhibitors will be covering all aspects of design, equipping and decorating a home – combined with local wines, cheese and other luxury goods. Held from 1 to 3 September, the second annual tournament will host some 360 golfers from the architectural, building and related trade across the country. It includes a Pro-Am on the final day. More information from Kim Thomas at 084 301 2830.

Entry to the design exhibition, at R45pp, includes a wine tasting and goodies bag. Please book for catering purposes at 044 302 5307.

SMILE!

Outdoor fanatics keen to record their adventures on digital photographs and video will be impressed with Sanyo's first waterproof high definition dual camera. The Sanyo Xacti VPC-CA100 is a hand-sized lightweight camera that takes high quality 14-megapixel photographs and full HD (1920 X 1080pixels) videos. Waterproof up to three metres deep for up to an hour, the camera includes 'double range zoom' functioning from wide angle (38mm) to telephoto zoom (480mm), along with a digital image stabiliser and 'face chaser' function. High-speed sequential shooting captures up to 22 photographs at seven frames per second. Available in black, pink or yellow. R4,599 at Kloppers. 044 802 3900 George and 044 302 7800 Knysna.

