

# GOLDSMITH NEWS

## August 2011

### Avaiki Pearls:

- The Cook Islands Pearl Authority has introduced a first grade pearl category named 'Avaiki'.
- These are the best of the crop, fulfilling strict demands on thickness of nacre, lustre quality and lack of imperfections.

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## A PEARL of an Offer!

Together with our Cook Islands pearl farming friends at Ora Moana, we have devised an exciting scheme that *may* lead to the production of a wonderful **Avaiki** Black Pearl, worth up to \$5000!

When culturing pearls, the seeded oyster is left in the water for 18 months. We are laying down a string of numbered oysters for **36 MONTHS**, twice the normal time, in the hope of obtaining unusually large results.

### How it works:

Download and print the *Investor Statement and Order Form* from [www.TheArtistGoldsmith.com/TwoTermPearls](http://www.TheArtistGoldsmith.com/TwoTermPearls)

Fill out and sign the Order form and return via post. An invoice will be raised and your reservation confirmed on complete payment.

The Oysters will reach maturity in 2014 and the nominated Beneficiary will be notified.

A Grand Opening Gala is foreseen on Rarotonga, or possibly on Manihiki Island where the shells are grown.

They may not be round, may have imperfections, may not work at all, but the possibility of obtaining a *special* individual pearl, perhaps with a *magnificent* colour range or *extraordinary* baroque shape, makes the investment of **NZ\$ 250** in a numbered oyster a wonderful thrill!

So here is the solution to this year's Birthday, Anniversary or Christmas present for your partner, child, grand- or god-child, or just for yourself:

"A numbered Oyster in the  
Avaiki Two-Term Pearl culture."

The content of the shell (if any) will be couriered to the Beneficiary (unless collected personally). We keep our fingers crossed that a number of large, finely coloured, Avaiki Black Pearls will be amongst the harvest.

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Maker of one-off, art jewellery in precious metals with an equally passionate approach to investment diamonds, Avaiki Black Pearls and beach pebbles.

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