Highly trained in the fine arts, especially sculpture and painting at the University of Fine Arts in his native Mexico City, Aldo Orta holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in Commercial Design from UCLA where he received top honors.

His paintings and sculptures have been exhibited at the Governor’s Place in Mexico City and the Contemporary Museum in Guadalajara, where Mr. Orta received critical acclaim. His work is on permanent display at various government offices throughout Mexico.

Upon completing his studies at UCLA, Mr. Orta built a successful career in visual display and environmental design that includes extensive work for Marriott International, including New York city’s Marriott Marquis. His installations can be seen throughout the United States, including the NASA Space Center in Houston, Texas; Aquarium of the Americas in New Orleans, and the Polynesian Cultural Center in Honolulu, Hawaii. As a freelance set designer and creative consultant in Los Angeles, he originated video and stage sets for various musicians and directors. He also developed total presentations for special events and charity benefits, hosted by such celebrities as Elizabeth Taylor, Henry Mancini and Vikki Carr.

Even as he made his mark in environmental design, Aldo Orta began to gravitate to the more personal field of jewelry design. His highly evolved approach blends ancient and traditional metalworking techniques, utilizing silver and high karat gold’s as well as precious and semi-precious gemstones, selected as much for their spiritual energy as for light and color. Likewise, he considers the metals he crafts with precision and skill to be a conductor of energy reflecting the true beauty and love within the wearer’s soul.

Mr. Orta who is based in Chicago, incorporates his metaphysical studies with his childhood fascination for history and mythology into his craft. His intensely individual creations can only be deemed wearable art. Mr. Orta is also developing jewelry for the home. An extension of his jewelry collections, this incorporates sculptures, furnishings and home accessories that combine fine woods with metals and stones in innovative ways.