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Love Bites!

While a box with Jimmy Choo shoes is one of the most coveted indulgences in Hollywood, a box containing **Kristy Choo**'s exotic chocolates is a must have for any self respecting connoisseur.

What do you get when you cross a French bakery, a Japanese tea garden and a fine jewelry store? Thanks to the ingenuity and imagination of veteran pastry chef Kristy Choo and co-owner/husband **Kim Oh**, you get **Jin Patisserie**, considered one of the "it" spots in the very "it" neighborhood of Abbott Kinney in Venice. Sure there are a lot of designer bakeries around Los Angeles, but where else will you find such gem-like chocolates, macaroons, cookies, cakes and tarts? If you think of chocolate and pastries as artforms, then think of Jin Patisserie as a very high-end gallery.

Choo's biggest claim to fame among L.A. tastemakers are the jewel-like chocolates in unusual flavors like ginger, sea salt, lavender and lychee that are almost too pretty to eat. Although they can be enjoyed in the tea garden with fine tea or coffee, just imagine the look on a friend's face when she opens a box of one of Choo's creations. Want to add a luxury to the day out, come to Jin and stay for tea and a platter full of her equally jewel-like cakes.

Celebrity fans include **Angelica Huston**, **Lauren Hutton**, **Shalom Harlow**, **Julie Christie** and **Elizabeth Shue**. Special orders and corporate gift services that will make recipients feel like a star are also available. Prices range from \$2 per chocolate to \$55 for an elegant silk box housing 20 pieces. This week, **4 lucky winners (limited to Los Angeles area only)** will have the opportunity to indulge in a box of Choo's delicate masterpieces. To purchase them for friends or for yourself, visit the very retreat-like patisserie at **1202 Abbot Kinney Blvd., Venice, CA 90201** or their vibrant web site, www.jinpatisserie.com



Winners will be randomly selected and promptly notified November 28, 2005. US only.
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