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DINERSart – handmade souvenirs and accessories by Latvian artists

A new series of unique bronze zodiac pendants made by *DINERSart* and designed by Roberts Diners has been available on *airBaltic* flights since the fall of 2010. The *DINERSart* creative workshop was founded by the well-known Latvian sculptor Roberts Diners and his mother, artist Lilija Dinere, who explains how *DINERSart* came to cooperate with *airBaltic* in the manufacture of these chic new souvenirs as representations of Latvian art.

How did *DINERSart* come into being?

I work as a book illustrator, painter and graphic artist, while my son Roberts has always been interested in making sculptures from a combination of different materials. It's not too often that members representing different generations of the same family can work together on joint artistic projects, each in a different sphere, thus complementing each other. In our case, sculpture is integrated with painting and other forms of art.

We began our joint project with *airBaltic* a year ago, when the airline announced that it would like to cooperate with Latvian artists in the production of souvenirs that are different from those that one usually finds in the shops of Riga's old town and city centre. At first, we made hand-painted silk scarves. Each is one of a kind, with its own story to tell. Then, in cooperation with Agita Krastiņa, *airBaltic's* inflight service manager, we decided to create a line of modernized zodiac pendants. They are presented in a small display box, from which the passengers can select the zodiac sign of their choice.



What are the latest *DINERSart* creations?

The patinated bronze zodiac pendants came out last year and are among Robert's latest works. Their design was drawn from the 12 traditional astrological signs and combined with Roberts' individual artistic style. The artist managed to insert a dose of humour into his creations, imbuing each symbol with an additional sense of individuality. The zodiac pendants are offered together with a durable and natural leather strap, which means that they can be worn right away. Each pendant also comes in its own gift box, where it can be stored while it is not being worn. **BO**

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