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[Finding Ideal Working Looks During Chicago Event, the One of a Kind Show & Sale](#)

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The **One of a Kind Show and Sale** in **Chicago** is an event that I always look forward to – it's a place to discover new designers, merchants, buy your Christmas gifts and get a few things for yourself as well! Held **this past weekend**, the show spanning an entire enormous floor at the **Merchandise Mart**, did not disappoint. I found some fantastic finds that every working woman could use in her wardrobe – or things that she could add to it to result in her making the business statement of her **career!** Here are some highlights from the show.



I couldn't leave the show without stopping by to see the fabulous **Kirsten Goede**, designer for jewelry line **Objets d'Envy**. Her designs are ideal for any working woman with just enough bling for those wanting to make a statement and simpler options for people who want a well-made and high quality item that will work with what they own.



Here the designer is on the right with shopper **Hilary Cymoszinski**. During my own perusal, I found some fantastic **black round earrings** that I feel every woman should own. Everyone owns several black pants – so many women forget how much they need a great pair of black earrings just as badly as those slacks.



I guiltily admit that I have an entire under-the-bed storage container full of **belts**. I do need any more I know, however sometimes I just can't help but end up at home with a new one! These buckles made by **Stephanie Windler** of [Steffi Designs](#) were not only interchangeable between leather straps, but they were **magnetic** as well! I tried a black strap with a purple and black buckle. I behaved myself and didn't purchase it, but I did find out what size I would be for a potential future splurge.



I think this idea of the **wrist cuffs** is ingenious for the working woman! Most women have problems with sleeves actually being long enough to go over the wrist. Not only would these solve that problem with both shirts and jackets, but it would add a pop of **glamour** to the usually mundane office top. These were featured by Illinois-based retailer [Cuff Luv.](#)



What a wonderful treat running into jewelry designer **Julie Schwanbeck** of [jules](#) when stopping by to see shoemaker **Sara McIntosh** of [Sara's Shoes](#). I've always loved Sara's **belts** (again, I mention my love of belts) and it was fun seeing them both model two of her looks. My take-back was the style worn by Julie as shown here (right) but with **red leather** and a silver buckle. And yes, I've already worn it!



We always think of **cufflinks** as a man's accessory – however we need not forget the french-cuffed shirts for women too! These cufflinks by [Foxglove Accessories](#) were very simple but also quite feminine. I would love to have these little baubles on my work shirts!