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BLING KING Black, Starr & Frost chairman and CEO Alfredo Molina at his Newport Beach salon

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By Shaleek Blackburn

It's the creme de la creme of magnificence, a labor of luxury that took 1,500 hours to create—and it was designed by Black, Starr & Frost chairman and CEO **Alfredo Molina** (blackstarrfrost.com). Indeed, The Empress necklace is a statement-making stunner, with 28 Burmese sapphires that weigh 108 carats, 34 oval diamonds and 404 round diamonds, all hand-set in pure platinum. And it's worth every penny of its \$4.5 million price tag. Here, Molina shares why it reigns supreme.



ROYAL BLUE
The Empress necklace, \$4.5 million, at Black, Starr & Frost

What inspired this creation? When I create a design, I envision icons like Elizabeth Taylor, Grace Kelly and Princess Diana. **And the craftsmanship?** It starts with gemstones that are near impossible to source. We search the world for the finest stones. The Black, Starr & Frost design studio has experienced master jewelers with multiple centuries of experience who collaborated to create it. **It must have taken a long time to procure all of those sapphires.** The Empress necklace contains a collection that would take decades to match. Finding the gems is akin to solving a puzzle. It takes a lifetime for a miner in Burma to unearth a single gem that would qualify to occupy a place in The Empress necklace. **Did that affect the price?** The value is based on the tremendous rarity of its gemstones and the time required to execute its completion. **The lady who wears it will certainly be lucky. Who will do it?** Many queens—royalty to celebrity. The next owner will become part of an impressive class of collectors and, ultimately, the brand's history.

HEARTS OF GOLD

It was a dazzling party before the party when Black, Starr & Frost's Alfredo Molina and Renee Dee, with **American Heart Association O.C.** Executive Director Melissa

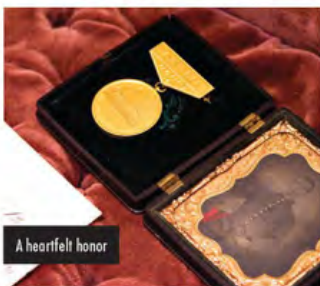
Morales, hosted a kickoff soiree for the nonprofit's upcoming ball in the jeweler's posh Newport salon. Set for May 9, the annual black-tie gala is getting new life—thanks to the trio, who is working to bring a larger focus on education, and the event's first women's leadership committee. Some 50 well-heeled ladies gathered to discuss the details while savoring tasty canapes from Fig & Olive and admiring BSF's gorgeous gems. Even more touching, the brilliant brand has donated \$1 million—plus to a plethora of charities—from Orangewood Children's Foundation to Big Brothers Big Sisters to, of course, AHA. And that takes heart. —*Ibea Knobel*



Dominique Silverman and Mustafa Imam



Maryam Parman and Annette Richardson



A heartfelt honor



Michelle McAdam and Alfredo Molina



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Cool neutrals, silver accents and warm textures, mixed with an exotic take on an occasional chair for a unique expression of modern elegance. This living room features a Hunter sofa and chair, Melrose cocktail table and new for spring 2015, the Bastille Chair that has a sexy 70's vibe, with a stainless steel "cage" filled with comfortable cushions and matte black steel base. **714.389.9300, mgbwhome.com**

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