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EVERYTHING NICE

Need to sweeten an outfit or add a little flavour to that classic evening dress? Then stop by **Sugar n Spice** (200 Barclay Parade SW, 403-262-6888), the newest addition to Eau Claire Market. This quaint boutique offers one-of-a-kind costume jewellery (some extravagant enough for royalty), as well as popular Foxy, Matt & Nat and wood jewellery from Edmonton's **BauXo** (left, \$35), plus a selection of cute tops by C'est Moi.



ART SCENE

Goya Gallery (100 Seventh Ave. SW, Suite 102, 403-233-8328, goyagallery.com), new to the three-storey downtown Art Central, showcases a mix of ceramics, art, jewellery and accessories. But it's the head-turning fashions that will take you to any art opening stylishly. "Contemporary but functional" is co-owner Bea Eismont-Pienkos' mandate. Find body-hugging dresses by Vancouver's Cherry Blossom, flirty casualwear by Kania, and classic puff-sleeved shirts by Montreal's **Dinh Bá Design** (above, \$150).



POWER IN NUMBERS

It's not Holgate, Thompson or Harris, but Sill, Coulson and Rowe—three of the seven friends involved in the artistically inclined **Group Seven** (2115 Fourth St. SW, 403-229-3117, groupseven-skateboarding.com). Showcasing classic tees and hoodies by DGK, streetwear by Crooks & Castles, and Pharrell Williams' Ice Cream Footwear, the new skate and clothing shop wouldn't be complete without a mini-skate ramp.