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Marble jewelry made by local artists has been sent to Los Angeles for a pre-Emmy Awards event.

## TUCSON TALENTS

Entertainment news about personalities and events with an Old Pueblo connection.

### First-time author shares transplant experience

**Dorothy Chapman Acuña** thought her days of birdwatching, watercolor painting and driving were over when she was diagnosed with Fuch's Corneal Dystrophy. The thought of going blind was overwhelming.

But a corneal transplant gave her her sight back, and inspired her to share her experience. She hopes to reach a large audience with her first book, "People Have Faces" (PublishAmerica).

"Discussing the procedures of how a cornea transplant occurs with the special education students I assist was a

privilege," Acuña said in a news release. "At least I know I have touched some lives and hopefully with this book there will be more."

### Jewelers on big stage with Emmy giveaway

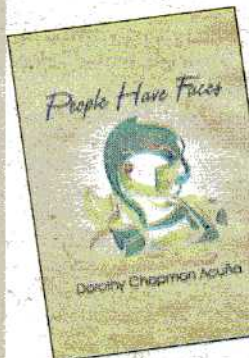
Some celebs at the 60th annual Emmy Awards on Sunday could be sporting Tucson originals as neckwear.

Tucson artists **William A. Skiles** and **Lisa Stotska** of Got All Your Marbles? donated 52 pieces of their unique jewelry, plus bags of 30 marbles for each, for some pre-award celebrity gift bags.

The contemporary silver jewelry with interchangeable glass marbles was spotted at a Santa Monica art fair this summer, which led to an invitation to participate. The celebrity gift bags are part of the Alive! Expo Green Pavilion in The Sofitel Hotel in Los Angeles.

Stotska said she jumped at the opportunity because her sister worked for a skin care company that participated in similar celebrity events.

Lucky Tucsonans don't have to travel to LaLa Land to get their hands on these unique pieces. They can pick up their own Got All Your Marbles? necklaces, earrings or rings at the downtown store and gallery at 220 E. Congress.



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**Dorothy Chapman Acuña's** book "People Have Faces" tells the story of the author's corneal transplant.

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