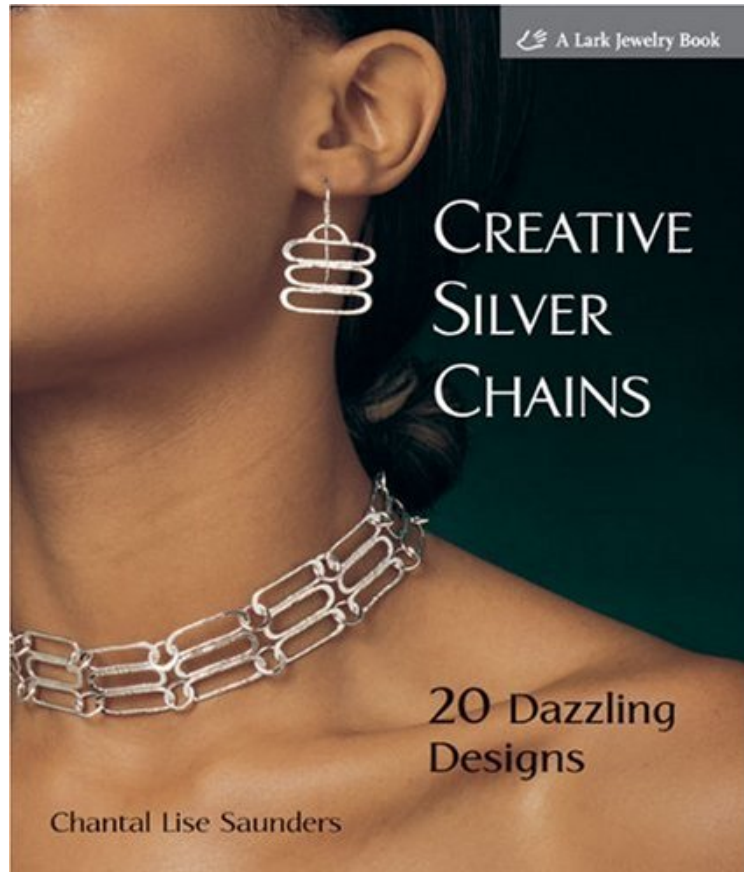


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About the Author Chantal Saunders studied sculpture before becoming a certified welder and pipe fitter in 1994. After a two-year stint as an apprentice with two professional jewellers, she is currently a member of the Mountain Metalsmiths' Association, teaches chain-making workshops and maintains a website at www.metalsplendor.com.