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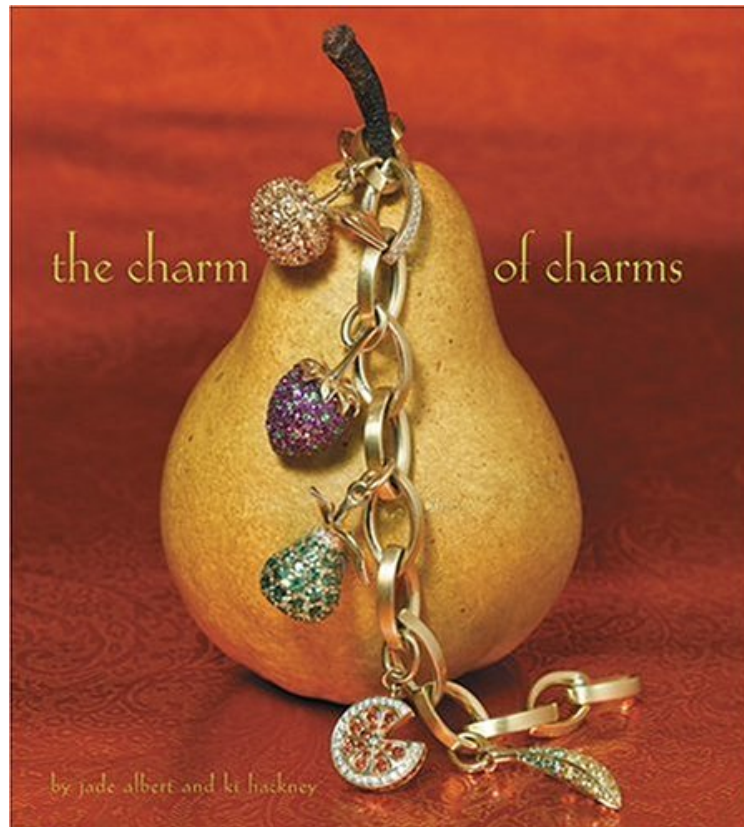
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Betsey Johnson. The book also displays treasures of other charm aficionados, like artist Marilla Palmer Zaremba, whose 19 bracelets include silver charms of landmarks like the Empire State Building and the Leaning Tower of Pisa.

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