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# Press Release

## Robbery / Armed Subjects of Interest

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On Friday November 30, 2012, at approximately 1:20 p.m. officers from the Santa Monica Police Department responded to Cabochon Fine Jewelry located at 1426 Montana Avenue on the report of an armed robbery that had just occurred.



Upon arrival, officers made contact with several victims who were being treated by the Santa Monica Fire Department for pepper spray exposure. The victims told officers that two suspects had entered the store and after spraying everyone with pepper spray, they used a hammer to smash a jewelry case and stole several pieces of jewelry. The suspects fled from the location through the front door and were last seen southbound in Alley 14.

The suspects were described as male Blacks, in their 20's to 30's, 5'10" to 6'0", thin build, wearing dark colored hooded sweatshirts, light colored pants, tennis shoes and some kind of mask covering their face. The vehicle driven by the suspects was described as a late 90's model Honda 4-door, dark in color.

During the investigation that followed, detectives learned that two similarly described subjects had entered another jewelry store located on Wilshire Boulevard and posed as customers, before the robbery on Montana. These subjects exited the store, without making a purchase and entered a vehicle that was also very similar to the one the suspects fled in after the robbery. Investigators are interested in identifying and speaking to the individuals depicted above.

This is an ongoing investigation and anyone with information regarding the robbery is asked to contact Detective HeeSeok Ahn at (310) 458-8452 or Sergeant Ira Rutan at (310) 458-8959 or the Santa Monica Police Department (24 hours) at (310) 458-8495.

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