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Omega albert gilbert, Ref. 7114123

Not many watch designers have garnered personal fame. Most have worked in anonymity, sheltered under the umbrella of big-name brands. However, a select few have risen to iconic status, not just for their craft, but for their bold approach to watch design. One such designer is Gerald Genta, widely celebrated for his groundbreaking work. But another name that stands out in the watchmaking world is Gilbert Albert (1930-2019), whose daring designs blend horology and art in a way few others have achieved.

Gilbert Albert's journey began as a young designer at Patek Philippe, where he famously created the "Ricochet" among other notable pieces. His talent and vision eventually led him to Omega, a brand where his creative influence would flourish. What we have here is a stunning example of Gilbert Albert's work for Omega, dating back to 1966 – Omega ref 711.4123. This piece is truly unique, combining his artistic approach with Omega's technical expertise.

What makes this wristwatch so exceptional is its design – it's more than just a timepiece; it's a work of art. The 18k yellow gold case and bracelet are expertly crafted, and the bracelet, in particular, stands out with its unique design. The flowing, organic shapes and meticulous craftsmanship create a sense of movement, as though the watch itself is alive. When you look at the bracelet, it feels like

you are gazing at a sculptural piece, where every curve and angle has been carefully considered to create a harmonious balance.

This watch is from 1967 and remains a timeless representation of Gilbert Albert's artistic genius. It comes with the original box, a fun extra in the form of an old newspaper featuring the watch, and a valuation report. The overall package not only celebrates the creativity of the designer but also connects you to a piece of watchmaking history. This Omega by Gilbert Albert is a rare opportunity to own a truly unique timepiece that captures the essence of 1960s art and design, blending the worlds of horology and sculpture.