

# Merle Weismer

## Artist's Statement

I am a graduate of Moore College of Art and design, Philadelphia, PA. I hold a BFA in Textile Design. My focus was on designing fabrics for home and fashion. A former tapestry weaver for 15 years, I changed my focus to a smaller scale with art to wear neck pieces using unconventional materials. I try to convey my deep reverence for rhythm and repetition in nature. The lyrical sculptural quality is inspired by my love of historical costume and my ongoing study of 17th and 18th c European portraiture at the Philadelphia Museum of Art where I am a docent.