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I HAVE A LIFELONG LOVE AFFAIR WITH JEWELRY. INTRICATE DESIGNS, BOLD COLORS, AND POLISHED GEMSTONES DISPLAYED CLEVERLY ON METALS THAT BEND, TWIST, AND ARE STAMPED WITH DESIGNS ALL EXCITE AND INSPIRE ME. CHRYSTAL CANYON CREATIONS WAS BORN OUT OF THAT LOVE IN 2009.

SIMPLE BEADING IS HOW IT ALL STARTED, BUT THERE WAS A NEED TO LEARN MORE. THE TUCSON GEM SHOW EXPOSED ME TO THE RICH AND DIVERSE WORLD OF JEWELRY. IT WAS AT ONE OF THE SHOWS THAT I TOOK MY FIRST CLASS, WIRE WRAPPING. SINCE THEN, I HAVE TAKEN CLASSES IN PRECIOUS METAL CLAY, SOLDERING, FORGING, POLISHING, RIVETING, STAMPING, AND ENAMELING. LIKE EATING POTATO CHIPS, ONE CLASS LED TO ANOTHER, AND I AM STILL LEARNING.

WHEN MY HUSBAND, MERLE, RETIRED, HE BEGAN HELPING WITH THE BUSINESS, AND IT WASN'T LONG BEFORE HE STARTED PIERCING THE SILVER AND COPPER SHEETS. TOGETHER, WE CREATE ITEMS THAT INCORPORATE PRECIOUS METAL CLAY, FUSED GLASS, LOCAL TURQUOISE, ENAMEL, AND VARIOUS OTHER NATURAL BEADS THAT MAKE UP OUR JEWELRY AND ORNAMENTS.

WE HAVE A DEEP LOVE FOR NATURE AND THE SOUTHWEST, AND OUR DESIGNS REFLECT THAT LOVE. WE PRIMARILY SELL OUR WORK AT JURIED ART SHOWS, WATERFALL YOGA STUDIO, AND THE ENDEAVOR GALLERY. YOU CAN ALSO SEE OUR WORK BY VISITING OUR FACEBOOK PAGE:  
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