

Jamie McKay 2007

- 1. Favorite Artist? Marc Chagall, love his expressionistic paintings and the emotions they uproot!
- 2. **Piece working on right now?** Encaustic piece w/ another sacred feminine form and have started a glass casting of a similar form as well.
- 3. What's your medium? Glass and Encaustics, as well as silver jewelry featuring my beads.
- 4. What's on your playlist right now? A huge range of World Music, also <u>Playing for Change's</u>, Stand by Me & Don't Worry.
- 5. **Favorite beverage?** DDP as in diet Dr. Pepper (love diet cherry coke for a break)
- 6. Favorite Place to unwind? Anywhere on the island of Kauai.
- 7. What made you decide to be an artist? As a little kid my grandma saved cards and wrapping paper and all sorts of little "pretties". When we would come to visit, she would hand us kids a pair of little scissors and the sears catalog or the Sunday "funny papers" and let us go nuts cutting out pictures to paste onto the backs of scrap paper. We also dug thru her box of old cards and baubles to make collages and glue onto old shingles that we varnished and gave as handmade presents to our parents. My brother and I progressed to making pinch pots and animals from the red mud in our back yard that we decorated with colored noodles or rice and old beads. After our creations dried in that blazing Oklahoma sun we glazed them with melted crayons or old house paint. You might say my grandma taught me to love the act of creating something from the things you had at hand. I know she was ahead of her time in recycled art, and I still have some of those early artworks!