

Woman Made Gallery - 685 N. Milwaukee Avenue, Chicago, IL 60622

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All Manner of Mosaics

January 19 – March 29, 2007 at Woman Made Gallery

The Artisan Gallery at Woman Made begins 2007 with 'All Manner of Mosaics,' an exhibition that continues the exploration of the materials and techniques being used by women artisans. In our call for art we sought original crafts from all disciplines, utilizing traditional, contemporary and conceptual approaches to the mosaic process. The work/s had to be comprised of three-dimensional materials that when placed, create the surface of an object, or an object. There were no restrictions on the nature of the material or process as long as it conforms to the concept of a mosaic. The artists' responses include: jewelry, quilting, sculpture, and functional objects.

We welcome Chicagoan Karen Ami as our featured mosaic artist.

Karen is the founder and Executive Director of The Chicago Mosaic School. She says of her art: *"I create mosaics to satisfy my urge to make things whole. I use sculpture and mosaic to communicate through texture and color. There is a beauty in the fragments of colored glass, in the sensuality and smoothness of clay, and in the contrast of light and texture. I believe a sense of humor enhances the colorful, amusing, and strange struggles that make us human."*

Karen Ami is joined in the exhibition by mosaic artists Valerie Alduen, Chicago; Sherry Dorst, Napa, CA; Julie Burkhart Haid, Hudson, WI; Vanessa Wright Hollifield, Winston Salem, NC; Gisele Perreault, Chicago, IL; Gwyn Kaitis Roland, Joliet, IL; Staci Sterenberg, Chicago, IL; Beth Ann St. George, Tempe, AZ; Leann Wooten, Chicago, IL.

Other exhibiting Artisan Gallery artists include: Linda Deardorff, Judy B. Freeman, Sandra Golbert, Judy Gray, Caroline Haurie, Laura C. Hewitt, Dorothy Hughes, Ala Jaron, Stephanie Marder, Natalie Prevost-Mero, Emily McCormick, Emily Murphy, Kimberly Nikolaev, Elizabeth Parrock, Carmen M. Perez, Elizabeth Rhoads Read, Karen Roberts, Liz Vercruyssen, Emily Watson and Lisa Williams

The exhibition opens with an artist reception on Friday, January 19 from 6 to 9pm and works will be on display through March 29, 2007.

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Website: www.womanmade.org

Gallery Hours: Wed-Fri noon-7pm / Sat-Sun noon-4pm / Admission: Free



'Butterface' by Karen Ami
glass, smalti, ceramic, vitreous tile on cement
30 x 15 x 5½ inches