PENLAND GALLERY

ALICE SCOTT

Asheville, NC

Metals | Jewelry

Penland Affiliation | Penland Student 2015, 1016, 2017, 2018

Artist Bio | Alice is a jeweler living in Asheville, NC. She started making jewelry when she was six years old, painting brooches with pumpkin faces to sell at craft shows for Halloween. She grew up thinking of new designs for jewelry all the time and eventually attended the Rhode Island School of Design for Jewelry and Metalsmithing. Today, she continues to be interested in making work that celebrates traditions, borrowing symbols from a variety of spiritual and cultural practices in order to create her own world of sacred objects. Each piece is meant to help each person who wears it feel connected to something mysterious, ancient, and bigger than herself.

Artist Statement | I create stories in my work by combining distinct styles and symbols. I create organic shapes inspired by nature and mix them with simple and graphic lines. I love to mix pearls and soft colors with the roughness of gunmetal and oxidized silver. When these disparate styles come together in my pieces, they tell little stories by drawing connections between seemingly disparate ideas. The most important part of the story comes when my pieces are worn. Each woman adds her own meaning to my jewelry. I love it when my pieces are worn because it continues the process of combination, mixing my narratives with those of the wearer.