## **PENLAND** GALLERY

## ANNA KOPLIK Layton, NJ

**IRON** | Tools and utensils

Penland Affiliation | Penland Instructor 2022

**Artist Information** | Studio artist; education: BFA Pratt Institute (NY); teaching: Penland School of Craft (NC), Peters Valley School of Craft (NJ), Touchstone (PA), Haystack (ME), Center for Metal Arts (PA), Brookfield (CT), She-Weld (NY), Dragon's Breath Forge (CT)

**Artist Bio** Anna R. Koplik graduated from Pratt Institute in Brooklyn, NY with a BFA in Jewelry and has worked as a blacksmith at Peters Valley School of Craft, Atlas Forge, Touchstone Center for Crafts, Spirit Ironworks, Center for Metal Arts, Davis Metalsmiths, Caleb Kullman Studio, and MDO Welding and Fabrication. She often travels, working as a journeyman architectural smith, teaching blacksmithing workshops, and camping and hiking whenever possible.

Anna is currently the Blacksmithing Artist Fellow at Peters Valley in New Jersey. She has a passion for educating and showing beginner smiths the many possibilities blacksmithing offers. Her work focuses mainly on tool and utensil making and combining functionality with a refined, delicate aesthetic.

**Technical Info** | Hand-wash with a soft sponge or cloth, hot water, and mild soap. Do not scrub or wash in a dishwasher. Dry right away after washing to avoid rusting. Wipe down with vegetable oil as needed. If rust forms, gently remove it with steel wool and wipe it down with vegetable oil.