



**Balance - Time, place and good fortune** 16 x 16 x 0.5 inches
Mixed Media



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## Serina Faist

## Bio

Serina Faist is an abstract mixed media artist from Bentonville, Arkansas. She mainly works in acrylics, but also includes natural materials including wood, clay, and sand to create movement and texture in her art pieces. After graduating with a bachelor's degree in Photojournalism, she began her career as a writer, photographer and layout designer, in Arkansas. After a few years in journalism, she changed her focus to environmental education and conservation efforts, then large scale recycling and zero waste efforts. Last year, she returned to her first passion - creating art. And, making space for things that bring joy. Originally from the Southwest, she incorporates colors and patterns of New Mexico landscapes. As a child, Serina walked in nature with her Dad; he taught her to respect nature and protect land. He showed her the symmetry of plants and helped her understand nature's rhythm in her surroundings. Serina sees the vivid colors of the landscape, smells the desert rain, and will always feel the Southwest in her soul. Serina draws inspiration from nature as well as artists Allan Houser, Louise Nevelson, and Mondrian.

## **Artist Statement**

My work explores how nature and color evokes emotion and helps create connection to our past while reaching our hands toward the future.