



Diana Seelig

Hartford City, Indiana

Education: BS, Masters, Ball State University.

I enjoy creating works that combine fossils with different gem stones. The ammonite in this piece was a cephalopod which thrived in the Paleozoic and Mesozoic eras, some 400 to 65 million years ago. Ammonites are related to squid, octopus, and the chambered nautilus. They are found all over the world and are used as index fossils. The orange grossular is a mineral species of the garnet group. The color range of grossular can be deep green to honey yellow. My design incorporates sterling silver tentacles emerging from the aperture of the ammonite grasping the cultured pear and the grossular.

Ammonite Necklace

Ammonite, Sterling Silver and Orange Grossular Pearl
1" x 2"

Exhibits:
Blackford County Art Association, 2007, 2008, Hartford City, Indiana; *One Person Show*, 2007, Blackford County Art Association; *Open Space: Art About the Land*, 2009, Minnetrista, Muncie, Indiana; *Annual Juried Art Show and Sale*, 2005, 2008, 2010, Minnetrista; *Art For Sale*, Fort Wayne Museum of Art, Fort Wayne, Indiana.

Awards:
Purchase Award, 2009, *Open Space: Art About the Land*, Minnetrista; Honorable Mention, 2005, *Annual Art Show and Sale*, Minnetrista.