

Sandy Henkels

Beadwork, Mackinaw City, MI



I was born and raised in Ada, MI, and eventually moved to Mackinaw City where I have lived for the past 25 years.

I have always loved beadwork and have been doing it for over 40 years. I have always been drawn to the Southwest and Native American styles with the intricate and colorful patterns. I have taken many classes and learned beading from so many amazing artists. I travelled all over the

country from as far north as Alaska, as far south as Arizona and everywhere in between. Where ever I visited, I was always drawn to the Native American communities; the people, their culture and their art. It spoke to me and I just wanted to learn all that I could. Speaking with the people and learning about them is what sparked my desire to bead and now it's a passion that I must follow.

My work has been selected for Grand Rapids Art Prize three different years and it can be found at several different art shows in the area and Seven Elements Art Gallery.

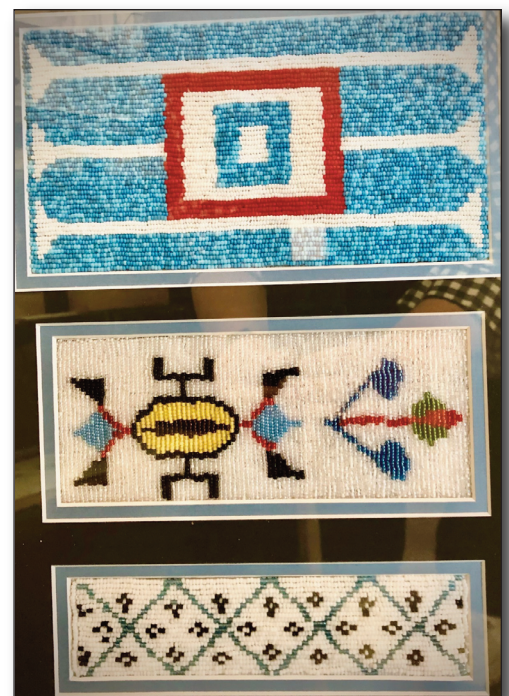
For more information about Sandy, contact Seven Elements Art Gallery.



Osage and Blackfoot style designs



Potawatami style design



Iroquois, Shoshone and Dakota Sioux style designs