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## LAVERNE S. KENNEDY JEWELRY

Laverne Kennedy of Dancing Swan Jewels uses minerals, glass, and other found objects to create one-of-a-kind, wearable jewelry. All of her designs are original. She does not use patterns or kits. Laverne believes in the power and magic of nature. The beautiful minerals from the Earth she uses give vibrations which enhance the soul of the wearer.

Each piece is special.

Laverne has taken beading classes from Dona' Ana Community College, bead classes in Santa Fe, New Mexico, and from private vendors.

She was a licensed cosmetologist for 34 years. She owned her own salon during most of that time. She sees many similarities in doing hair and creating jewelry; color, balance, texture, and movement. She became seriously interested in beads about 10 years ago. She began collecting and making jewelry at that time, selling through her salon. She is the mother of three children.

Laverne joined the Chiricahua Gallery in 2008 after discovering it on one of her birding/camping trips to the Chiricahuas. Her jewelry is exhibited in other galleries, including one in Australia. She has also been in a number of shows. Laverne is grateful that she is able to work on her art at this time in her life.

