



Members Gallery. Kosjenka Filipovic and Shirley M. Collins - "Nature- Sacred Feminine Perspectives" March, 2008.

Kosjenka Filipovic lives in the beautiful foothills of the Oregon Cascades with my family. Nature is very much alive in this part of the world and her presence is easily recognized in all of my work. I love working in my garden, taking walks through our forest trails and spending "unproductive" moments simply enjoying the sounds of a nearby creek.

It is in these moments that I experience the presence of the sacred feminine, reflecting back a passion for living that is undeniable. I have found that I am especially fascinated by the beauty of the leaves and try to capture the endless variation of their shapes, colors and the exquisite detail through my mixed media collages. I use a variety of materials found in nature, paint and handmade papers.

The arts and crafts movement has also inspired my work. I am drawn to its elegance, simplicity and Asian influence. Some of my work is currently custom-framed by my husband, artist Robert Theiss in the arts and crafts tradition.