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# The Art of Healing

Powerful Works from a Deeply Personal Collection

Opening Reception: Fri., May 1, 6-9 p.m.

CHICAGO - Woman Made Gallery is proud to present works from the collection of Chicago author and collector Jean W. Cozier. *The Art of Healing* is a very personal art collection of works created by survivors of sexual assault and sexual abuse. It is part of the ongoing efforts by Cozier to collect, display and honor artwork created by courageous individuals who have managed to survive their violations and find healing and empowerment in personal artistic expression.

**ABOUT THE COLLECTOR:**

**Jean Cozier:**

Also a survivor of childhood sexual abuse, Jean Cozier founded the Judith Dawn Memorial Fund for the Arts as a memorial to her cousin, Judith Dawn Hickey, an artist and sexual abuse survivor who died in 1998, also the year the Fund began. In 2003, Cozier began to collect artwork by other survivors, and has displayed her collection at several fund-raising and awareness events in partnership with local organizations that provide counseling and support services to survivors of rape and sexual abuse.



Jo Fittsell  
*Grandmother's Silence*

**EXHIBITIONS AT THE GALLERY THROUGH JUNE 11, 2009:**

Group Show: **The Emotional Body** juried by Elzbieta (Elka) Kazmierczak

Group Show: **The Art of Healing** artworks from the Collection of Jean Cozier

Solo Show: **Intimate Distance** by Lily Mayfield

Artisan Gallery: **Whimsicality** juried by Margaret Denny

**Woman Made Gallery**

**685 N. Milwaukee Ave.**

**Chicago, IL 60642**

**Website:** [www.womanmade.org](http://www.womanmade.org)

**Gallery Hours: Wed-Fri noon-7 p.m. / Sat-Sun noon-4 p.m. / Admission: Free**

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