



Mary Carol Cheshire, Fiber Artist

Carol, a long-time Bucks County resident, fell in love with Fiber Art during the Pandemic. She became fascinated with 3 D needle felting and has enjoyed creating art with wool ever since.

Many years ago, while living in Senegal, West Africa, her interest in fiber began. She learned to spin cotton with the local women, using a drop spindle made of clay and bamboo. The cotton was produced in the nearby fields, then harvested and combed. Baskets loaded with clouds of cotton were then expertly spun on home-made spindles. The thread was then woven into cloth by the local men using ingenious looms.

Carol's fiber journey has led her into a passion for wool portraiture. She has created human likenesses but specializes in dog portraits. Memorial portraits have been especially meaningful to the owners, as a way to honor and remember their beloved pet.

Local and global community is important to Carol, who is a member of Handweavers of Bucks County and is also part of a group headquartered in the UK!

The art which she has entered in this year's Tinicum Arts Festival is titled, "Kraken" after the mythical monster of lore. It was inspired by a photograph taken by Italian-born Guerino Salvatore, who graciously gave his permission for its use.

You may contact Carol for more information regarding pet portrait commissions via email: carolcheshire51@gmail.com (Example below of photo and wool portrait)



