



## JOANNE GAMBLE

Joanne has always been a creative and artistic person and comes from a family of hard working tradespeople. Taking inspiration from her father, who made trailers and gates and repaired steel work for local people, it was natural for her to become a maker too, particularly with metals.

Joanne graduated from the University of Ulster with a BA Honours degree in Fine and Applied Arts specialising in Jewellery.

Having set up her own workshop she designed and developed ranges of jewellery inspired by her natural surroundings in the rugged and amazing coast line of Donegal where she also became a qualified welder and with help from the craft collective Donegal Designer Makers became successful both in Ireland and internationally.

Joanne has also taken part in the RDS National Craft Fair numerous times before being accepted on to the Design & Crafts Council of Ireland's Jewellery and Goldsmithing Skills & Design course.

## ARTIST STATEMENT:

**I have kept my organic style whilst continuing to enhance my technical and design skills and would now describe my work as organic yet geometric.**