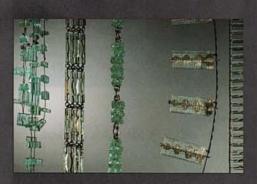


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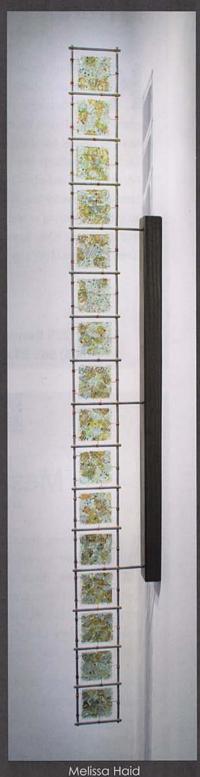
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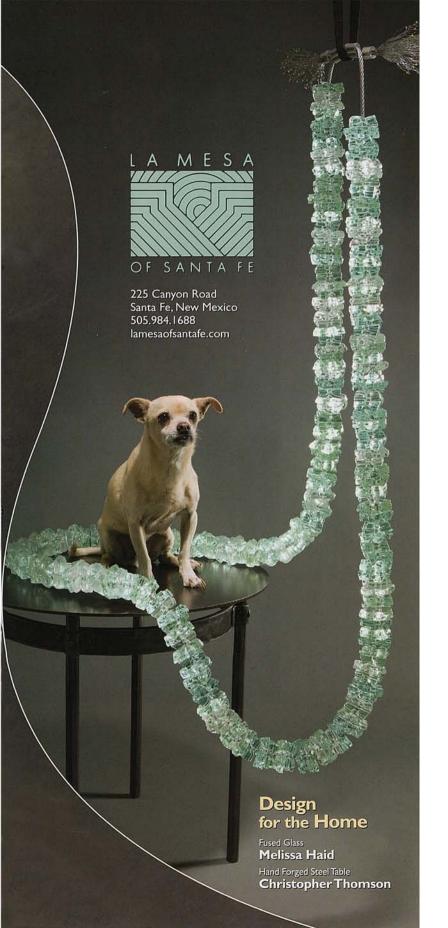


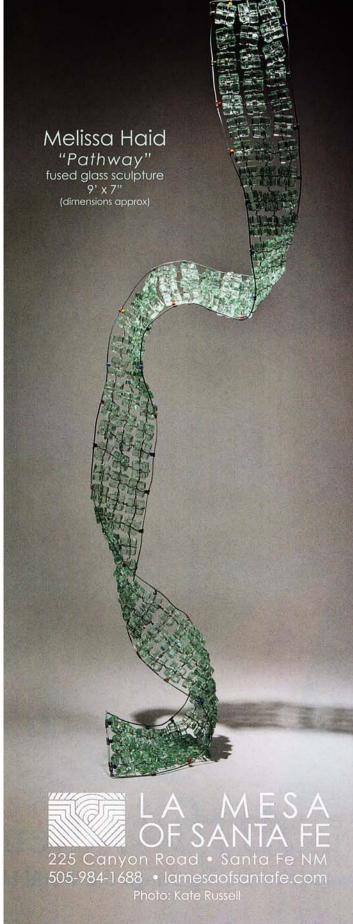
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Then this home's owners wanted striking outdoor art for the entryway to their remodeled home, they commissioned artist Melissa Haid, whose work is represented by La Mesa of Santa Fe. Haid customdesigned and created this three-panel, fused-glass wall sculpture, with silver- and gold-tinted mica and glass beads in a leaf motif between layers of glass. Beneath it sits a contemporary custom bench in powder-coated steel and burned ash by La Mesa artist P.J. Rogers. With a focus on function and exceptional design, the Canyon Road gallery presents glass and ceramic wall art and tableware; Patricia Naylor's clay wall sculpture; Hopi-inspired wooden figures and masks by Gregory Lomayesva; hand-forged iron furniture, lamps, and fireplace sets by Christopher Thomson; and colorful outdoor ceramic sculpture by Russ Vogt. As owner Mary Larson points out, La Mesa's more than 60 artists, who specialize in quality handcrafted furnishings, accessories, and fine art, offer a treasure trove of ideas and inspiration for the home.







Melissa Haid Fused Glass Sculpture 53" h x 9" w





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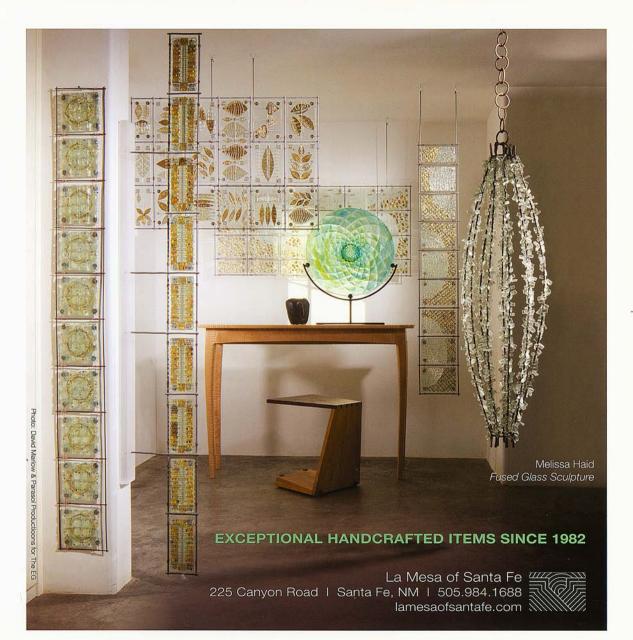


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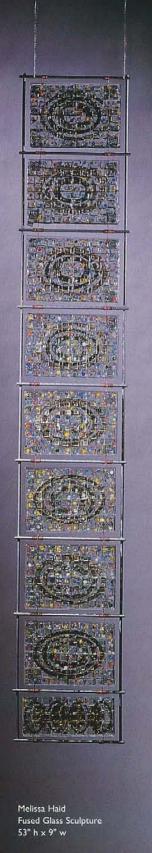




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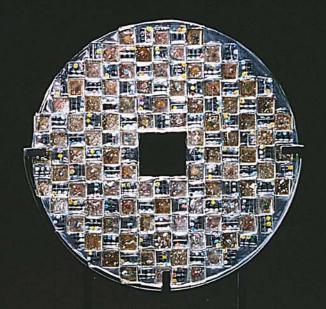
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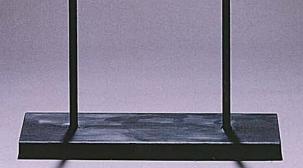
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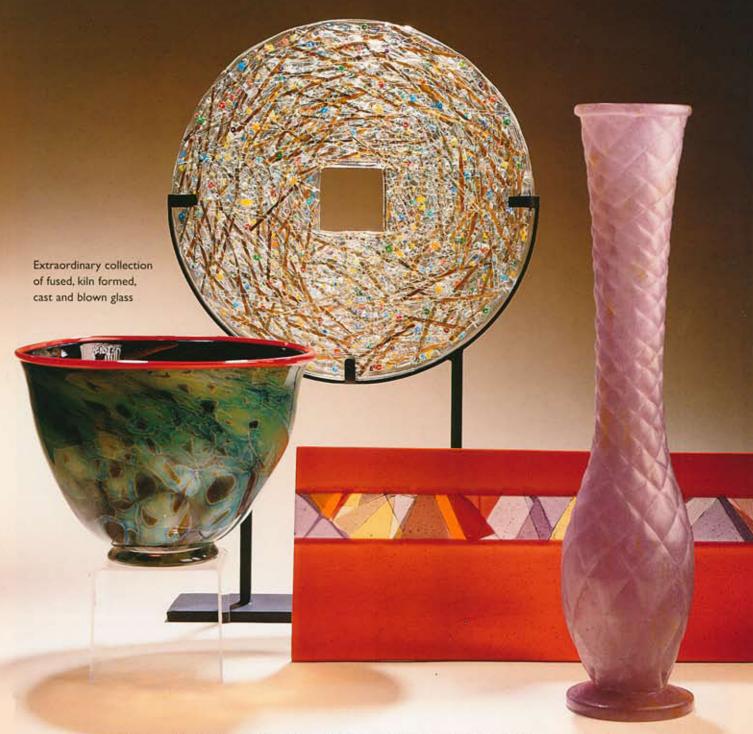
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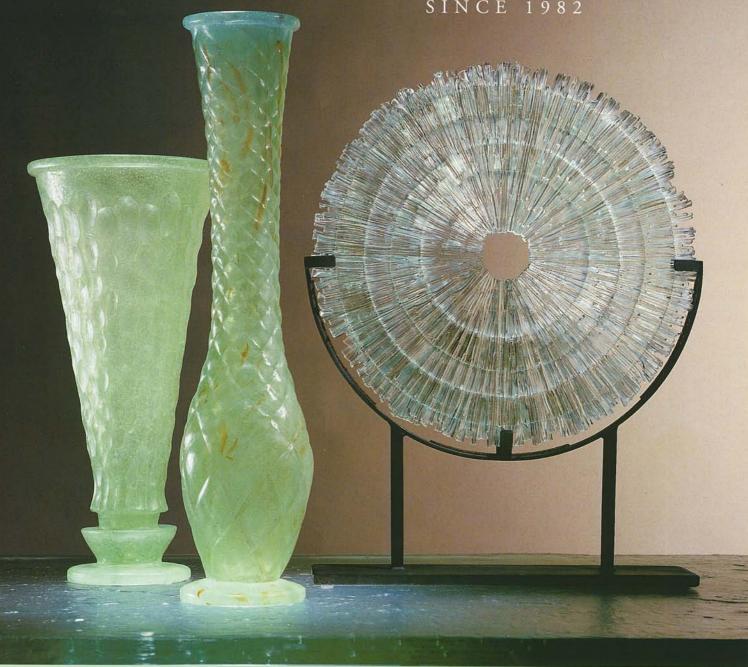
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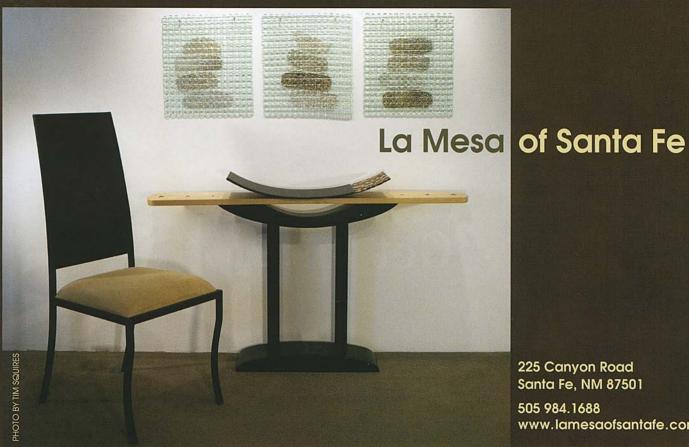
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Lost Wax Cast Glass Vases by Richard Ambrose Mole

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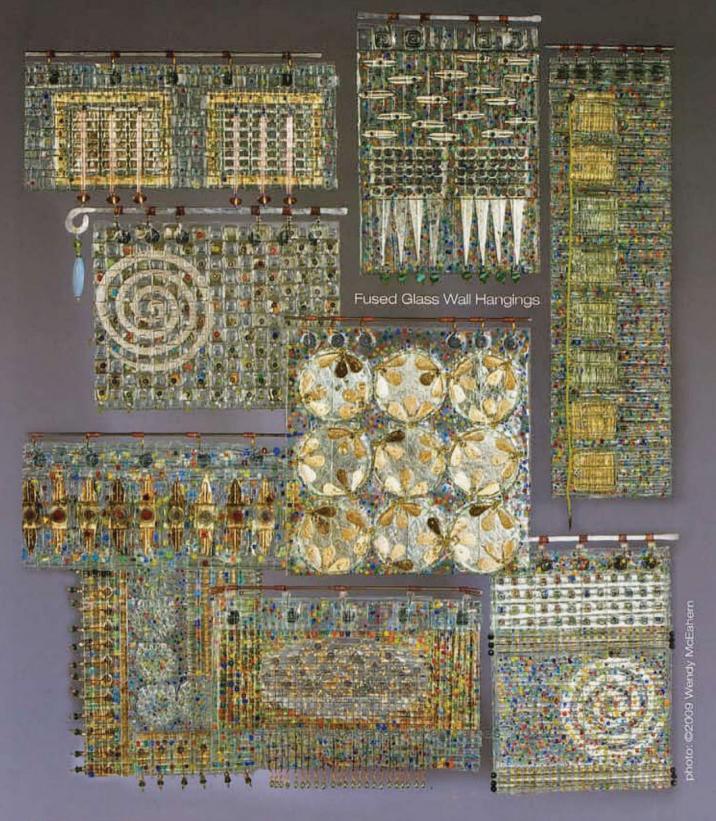
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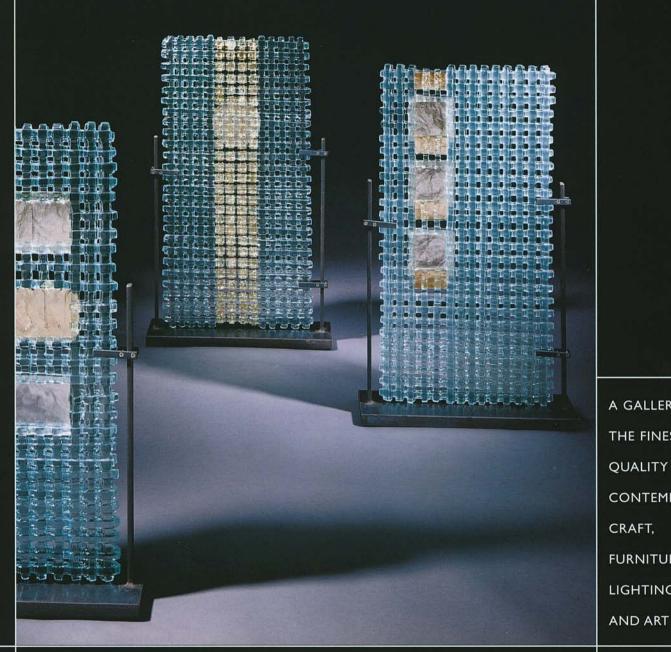
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GLASS LANDSCAPES

Melissa Haid's unique wall hangings and sculptures invite a close-up look.

BY EMILY VAN CLEVE



"Spill," fused glass, 91/2" × 10"

Melissa Haid likes everything about the process of creating her glass wall hangings and free-standing sculptures. She enjoys cutting tiny pieces of glass out of sheets of old window glass, laying colored glass beads, gold mica, and copper wire between many layers of glass, and firing the assemblage in an electric kiln. It's a process she's developed through years of experimentation and hard work.

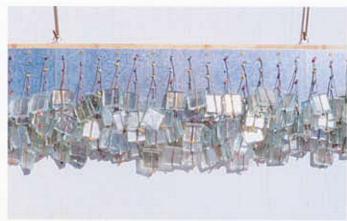
"There's an ephemeral, otherworldly

quality to glass that I love," observes the northern New Mexico artist. "I also get a great deal of pleasure from relinquishing the glass to the kiln. I don't think about the finished product during the week it can take for firing and cooling. I just continue on in the creative process."

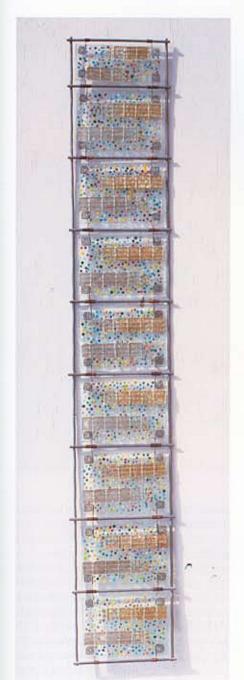
Haid's unusual glass wall hangings and sculptures are unlike any other glass art in the marketplace. Each intricately assembled piece is as fascinating to look at as it is sensual to the touch. These thick, textured pieces can be light enough to hang on the wall or massive enough to adorn an outdoor garden space, "I see my work as pieces of landscape," she notes. She is so comfortable utilizing glass and her other sculptural components that it may seem as if she has been working with these materials since the beginning of her career.

In fact, Haid was a ceramicist who took her first clay class when she was ten years





"Bunch #2," fused glass, left: full size, 8" × 28" × 3" right, detail



"There and Back," fused glass, 48" × 8"



"Getting from Top to Bottom," fused glass, 7" × 45" × 1"

old. Beginning in grade school, she took art classes at the Art Institute of Chicago. She received a B.F.A. in ceramics and textiles at the Art Institute before moving to Madison, Wisconsin, to pursue two master's degrees in sculpture and ceramics. She was introduced to glass during graduate school.

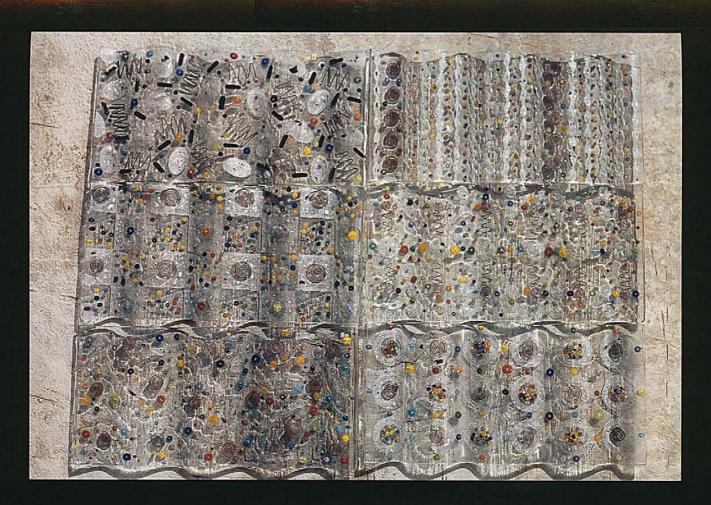
"The University of Wisconsin was known for its glass department," she points out. "I continued to work in clay but I also began working with glass. My first piece with glass was made in 1986 while I was working on my Master of Arts degree. I submitted a photo of an early piece to a juried international expo in Tokyo, Japan. The piece was accepted and purchased."

Although Haid still makes ceramic

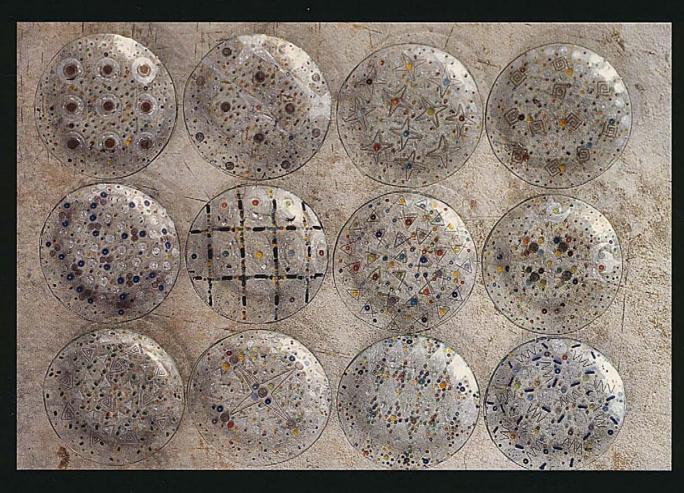
pieces, she focuses most of her artistic drive into her glass work. The firing process determines the range of materials that can survive temperatures of 1,350 degrees Fahrenheit, but she constantly pushes the envelope of possibilities and tries to create even more astonishing and dynamic pieces.

"I have a fondness for beauty," she says.
"I'd like people to feel a sense of wonder when they look at my work. My goal is to create unexpected beauty."

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