

## Mackenzie Boensch, Grasshopper

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## Commentary

Mrs. Edwards' Fine Metals classes have been a wonderful experience for me. Under her guidance, I've learned various techniques and explored different mediums, like wire wrapping, soldering, and chainmail. These classes have helped me develop my creativity, hone my skills, and express myself through my art. I've gained a deeper understanding and appreciation for different art styles and artists throughout history. My teacher's guidance has been invaluable in shaping my artistic journey.

## **Artist Statement**

The idea of this design was to use wirework to highlight the vibrancy of the beads. I intended for the beads to be the most captivating element of the necklace, while the wire work was there to complement the colors and bring the piece together. Through this necklace, I aim to evoke an appreciation for eccentric and non-traditional jewelry, and I feel like I achieved this goal.