

## **Hope Hickman**

### *Daydream*

Two young friends daydreaming together. Floating in a place of bright optimism where they can be at peace. Mountains in the distance with a cascade of rain that never touches the two girls illustrate the magic and vastness of the experience and represent the high points in the distance/hopeful future, as they exist in a place where flowers grow without rainy days.

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### *Mossy Blocks*

Each piece is inspired by the blue ridge mountains where I learned to pit-fire and the Tao Te Ching which is both an aid to my life and my art. "The greatest art seems unsophisticated, the greatest love, indifferent." In using simple forms and simple materials and allowing my hand to guide me I can create work that is not fussed over, but tended to, not contrived but controlled. In making over 1,500 pairs of sculptural earrings, no single pair is cherished, rather the process is cherished. This is evident in my work.