

Celebrated local artist brings her pieces to Oakley

The **Annie Bolling Gallery** presents glass sculptures by **Margot Jacobson Gotoff**, on exhibit from Oct. 9 to Nov. 7.

The show includes many new works and will be kicked off with an opening reception from 5-9 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 9. The reception will feature wine selections by Steve Dinnerstein of Piazza Discepoli.

Margot Jacobson Gotoff is a captivating figure in Cincinnati's art scene. Having moved here in 1986, she has been enchanting the community with her fascinating stories and exquisite sculptures ever since.

Gotoff has always been inspired by classical Greek sculpture and, though this has led her to work extensively in bronze, her specialty is cast glass.

She is intrigued by the ability

of glass to reflect and refract light. Her work also shows a fascination for the human figure as an art form. Whether she is creating a bust, a female torso, or a fragment of a face, Gotoff is fond of infusing her pieces with deep gorgeous colors.

Gotoff grew up in Europe and South America where an appreciation for art and its creation became an intimate part of her everyday life. As the daughter of cosmopolitan parents and the wife of a classics professor, she has lived in Prague, Budapest, Paris, Rio de Janeiro, Geneva and Italy.

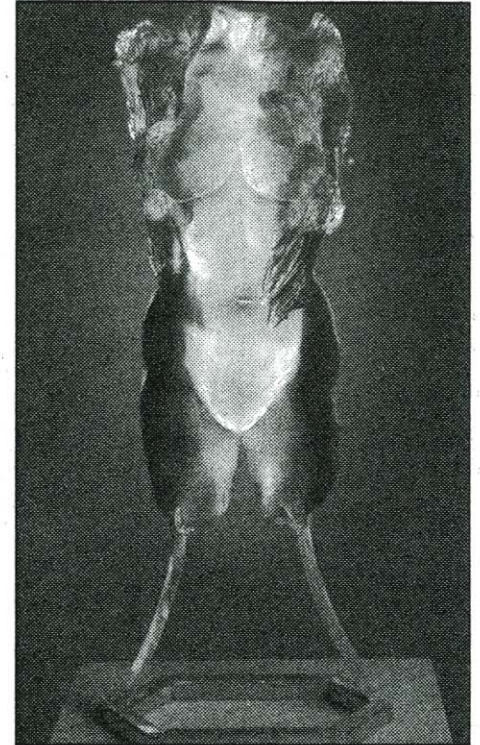
Her art is greatly inspired by her travels, her youthful romances, and her experiences overseas as well as her relationship with her husband and two children.

She received a bachelor of

arts in French literature from the University of Michigan before discovering that her true passion lay in sculpture. She attended the L'Ecole des Beaux Arts in Geneva for two years and also received two master's degrees in sculpture, one from the University of Cincinnati.

She taught at the Art Academy of Cincinnati for eight years and now teaches sculpting classes at her studio in Northside. Her work has been exhibited in galleries throughout the region as well as in Boston, Chicago and New York.

The Annie Bolling Gallery is open from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Wednesday, 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Thursday through Saturday and noon to 5 p.m. Sunday. The gallery is located at 3235 Madison Road in Oakley. Call 871-2100.



Margot Jacobson Gotoff's "Winged Nike" is on display at the Annie Bolling Gallery beginning Oct. 9.