

## **Sharon Strasburg** | Artist Statement

The richly luminous tones and softly undulating transitions of color and texture in Sharon Stransburg's works invite you to embark on a journey to a beloved vista from your memory or imagination. Strasburg uses a laser to cut her monotype paintings into sinuous shapes that she then reassembles into soothing contours of earthly detail. Her work addresses the physical and spiritual elements that give meaning, value, emotion and mystery to a "place" in nature that creates an emotional bond between someone and somewhere.

This new body of work addresses the fluidity of our experience of "place" where each return to a memory results in evolving pictorial constructions. The further we are from that lived experience the more fantastical the memory becomes. Altered and elaborated. An abstracted collage of sensation. Myth or reality. Close observation of nature serves as the source of color, textures, light, and space that form Strasburg's prismatic narratives linking our complex feelings about "place" to a subjective landscape that is not precisely but rather expressively rendered.