

MITZI BERNARD

\* "Closet Artist"

\* Lives on a nearby farm with husband, two horses, three dogs and five cats

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Each of Mitzi Bernard's pieces tells a unique story of female strength and power. From afar, they appear to be paintings. A closer view brings a provocative revelation: the artwork is actually a collage created using small bits of paper curated mostly from vintage Playboy magazines and the erotic paintings of Gustov Klimt.

Mitzi believes in empowering women who society might judge harshly, by featuring them in her work. At once controversial and entertaining, she finds beauty in places others may not recognize.

Her work is inspired by challenges she faced as a female entrepreneur in the 1970's. Mitzi is the former CEO and Executive Director of Bay Community Support Services, a non-profit serving differently abled people in Maryland. She also recently served as Chief of Staff to a Maryland Delegate.

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