JANE GUTHRIDGE | Artist Statement

Moving from the Midwest to the abundant sunlight and dramatic vistas of Colorado has inspired my work. I have always been interested in looking closely at nature and find that the vast areas of wilderness in the West allow for a deeper pondering and contemplation of the ethereal qualities of the natural world — the rich colors of the land, the shapes of plants, the patterns of dappled light through trees. I abstract and reconfigure these patterns to convey the underlying rhythms and harmonies of our environment, creating a space that is somewhere between the real and the imagined.

I employ complex layers of color and light to create the sensation of deep space, using a variety of materials that bend, refract, obscure and reveal, diffusing light in various ways. As the light changes throughout the day, the work will change as well. I think this constant change is a metaphor for life.