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Re-Purposed Treasures

Artist Statement

I received a bag of old costume jewelry from a granddaughter speaking about the life of her grandmother. She thought it would be touching to have a piece of her loved one displayed. This notion inspired me to think about my own grandmothers' jewelry boxes, always full with sparkling things to play dress up with. So, I decided to create a large necklace that highlights the nostalgic feeling of beaded dresses and diamonds. I have made a collage of pendants, earrings, brooches and beads to emphasize the specialness of the objects our loved ones loved. I hope to elicit a sense of treasure, and a thought of "cherish" when one views my piece.

