

Title: Circle of Life

Artist: Anne Panella

The Tree of Life motif within a circle provides archetypal symbolism along with a colorful woven garden accent.

Brief Artist Biography: Anne Panella maintains a strong interest in textile and fiber art. Her creations are eclectic and often inspired by the natural environment. They frequently include experiments with fabric, weaving, gourds and other natural materials. She received her bachelor's degree from Virginia Tech in clothing, textiles and related art and a master's in library and information science from the University of South Carolina. She retired in 2017 from a career with Virginia Tech Athletics.

Contact: apanella76@gmail.com

Art Statement: The basket frame of the "Circle of Life" lends an element of depth that is mobile and ever-changing in the garden setting. The aluminum "tree" (covered with white ceramic Vitrail paint) supports small pieces of silk fabric and embellishments.



