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Every Friday, *GARNET NEWS* features work by one of the many talented women we love. This week's artist is *Jana Charl*, an LA-based multimedia artist who appreciates the curves and twists of life.



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Empowerment, 2014
Acrylic on Canvas, 12" x 12"

Jana Charl, a native of Los Angeles with dual US-Swiss citizenship, is a painter, sculptor, graphic designer, and jewelry maker. After receiving her BA in Psychology and Art at the University of Redlands, California, she was in her first group exhibition in Zurich, Switzerland.

Exploring the female identity utilizing diverse media is the thread that weaves her artwork together. "Often my interpretation of the female form is anatomically exaggerated, emphasizing the curves that distinguish women as well as define feminine beauty, fertility, nurturance, and sexuality." Seeking to evoke dialogue on issues surrounding the perceptions of women, Charl often employs humor.

Experimenting with color and texture is fundamental to her acrylic paintings. Welding scrap metal, Charl recodes existing visual information with its intrinsic meaning to reveal a new narrative. Sculpting polymer clay, she has created hundreds of characters and mixed media works to depict different perceptions of the female role and form.

Her artwork has been exhibited internationally in galleries and museums and can be viewed at: www.janacharl.com. The JCD Collection of necklaces is showcased at: www.janacharldesign.com.

