

## **Linda Suskind-Kosmer**

### Artist Statement

These new works are my response to the alienating effects of Covid-19. The obscured but emotive faces are enclosed and separated from the outside world. The patterns created are meditative and consoling to the mysterious figures. My work explores ideas of loneliness, isolation, fear and joy through texture, pattern, landscape, and portraiture. The portraits are deconstructed into masked, colorful, and emotive faces in dreamlike environments. The artwork is extended into the frames to expand and enrich the imagery. The frames play with the idea of inner and outer space, connecting the two realms. The painted frames blur the boundary between the realm within the painting and the world of the viewer.