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### Repair and Transformation

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#### Abstract

This work considers themes of repair and transformation in vascular surgical technique and expresses the artists' interests in textiles, ceramics, and embodiment.

Figure. *Mending*, 2024



## Media

Shards of decorative ceramic plates, gold wire, 10.5" x 8.5".

## Caption

*Mending* is made from decorative plate fragments. In **vascular surgery**, attempts to restore function often use part of a vein from within a patient's own body. In *Mending*, broken portrait fragments are sewn together with gold wire, suggesting this kind of autograft. Vascular surgeons blend technical expertise with their own creative skill to forge solutions uniquely suited to each patient's body.

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