Throughout her art career, Joan Grippo has focused her talents on three-dimensional art mediums. Her art has represented the fashions of the time from macramé, basket weaving and ceramics to stained glass, willow furniture, rustic iron/copper metal sculptures and pique assiette mosaics. She always tries to incorporate recycled objects into her art whenever possible.

Some of her creations reflect on farmland nostalgia and incorporate recycled farm objects including antique tools and machinery that have been transformed into gates, arbors, benches, trellises and garden sculptures. Her water feature designs for gardens have included metal and unique fountainheads. She makes hand-forged fine garden furniture using imported hand-painted tile, which she hand-cuts to design tables, chairs, benches and other furniture for the home and garden.

Joan resides in Hanover, Illinois, and her studio is located on her farm. She spends her winters in Bonita Springs, Florida, where she teaches art classes and exhibits her works at local art fairs.