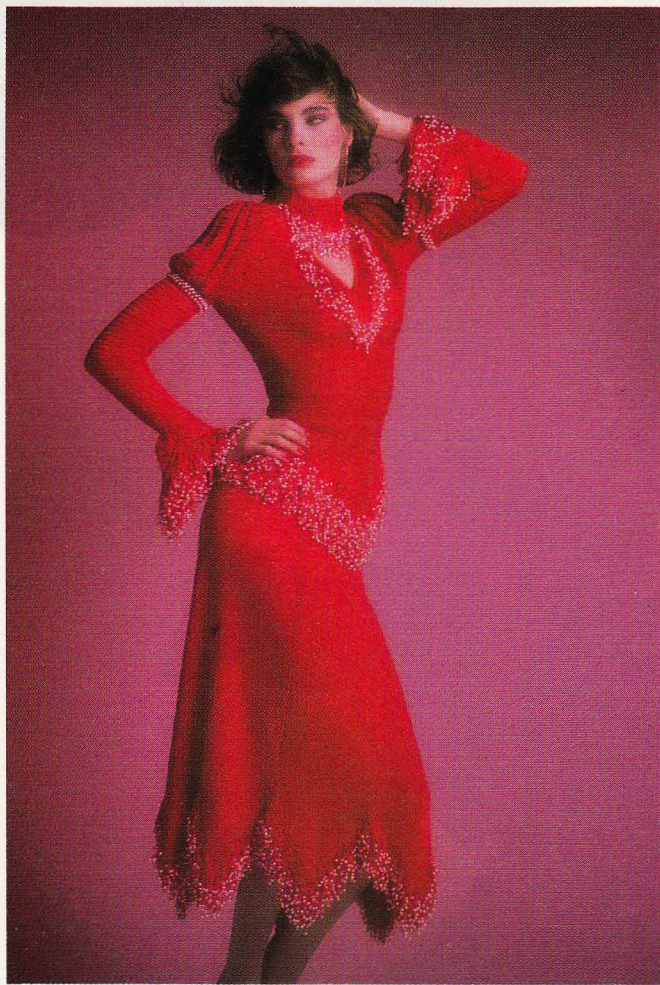


# Sure Things

by Judith P. Woodburn



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When the occasion calls for something wholly original, a garment by Milwaukee designer **Phyllis Cohen** may just fit the bill. Her striking crochet and knit items are one-of-a-kind designs that can take as many as nine craftspeople up to a month to execute. (As testimony to Ms. Cohen's skills, she has been

invited to show her work this June in Massachusetts' prestigious West Springfield Art Show, sponsored by the American Craft Council.)

The garments are made of unusual yarns, including cotton boucle and silk, and finished with a variety of trims — everything from tiny faux pearls to Ultrasuede ribbons

to beads, sequins and fur. Some of the designs incorporate Ms. Cohen's "trademark," an uncommon technique of hand-painting the knit garments. Prices range from \$180 for a sweater to about \$1,000 for one of Ms. Cohen's signature beaded pieces.

To arrange for a showing of Ms. Cohen's designs, call her at 272-1540.

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