

The Upcoming 2023 Glass Craft & Bead Expo and *Gallery of Excellence* 2022

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Las Vegas Management (LVM) is gearing up for their 27th annual *Glass Craft & Bead Expo* (GCBE) at the South Point Hotel & Casino March 29–April 2, 2023, in Las Vegas, Nevada. Around 300 artisan craft classes will be offered by more than 65 instructors. The “open to the public” Expo Hall will also boast a myriad of products, goods, and services for amateurs and professionals on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday. Classes range from kilns and raw materials to handcrafted art, beads, and jewelry.

The Expo Hall also hosts the *Gallery of Excellence*, where prizes are awarded to amateur and professional artists. Six categories include beads and jewelry, blown and flameworked, cold worked, fused/cast/kiln worked, mosaic, and stained glass. All skill levels

are encouraged to enter and have their work assessed by industry professionals, who will select first, second, and third place winners, while the People’s Choice Awards will be selected by their peers.

With thousands in attendance each year, GCBE is heralded as one of the most professional and educational art glass and bead trade events in the US. Attendees from near and far take classes, view demos, and commune with other hobbyists and artisans. GCBE has come roaring back from the pandemic to bring together the very best experts from all over the globe to demonstrate and teach the newest trending methods in hot, warm, and cold glass, as well as metal clay and jewelry making. LVM is excited to be working with exhibitors, teachers, students, and attendees to encourage, promote, and advance the glass/artisan craft community. We will push forward with perseverance and good old-fashioned blood, sweat, and tears. Thank you to all who continue to stand with us as we strive to rebuild and uplift our glass art industry.



Nadine Booth
Following the River



Gioia Boerrigter
Round and Round and Round

The work shown here by winning artists from the 2022 *Gallery of Excellence* sponsored by *Glass Art*, *Glass Patterns Quarterly*, and *The Flow* magazines will give you a marvelous example of what's in store for attendees at the 2023 *Gallery of Excellence*. For more information and to register for classes, visit www.glasscraftexpo.com.

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Lewis C Wilson
The Battle



Carrie Strobe
Aceso Corset Dress



Merilou Jenkins
Pretty in Pink

Professional Divisions

Fused/Cast/Kiln Worked

First Place & People's Choice

Nadine Booth
Following the River

Second Place

Lesley Clumeck
Spun

Third Place

Charlotte Omohundro
Blessings

Mosaics

First Place

Carrie Strobe
Aceso Corset Dress

Second Place

Joseph 2Bears Bremmer
Ancient Artifact

Third Place & People's Choice

Stephanie Rose
Taiwan Water Lily

Stained Glass

First Place

Gioia Boerrigter
Round and Round and Round

Second Place

Richard Falzone
Med-Evil Mistress

Third Place

Jenny Russo
Hovering Hummer

People's Choice

Robert Santolucito
Majestic Guardian

Blown & Flameworked

First Place

Lewis C Wilson
The Battle

Second Place

Filip Vogelpohl
Inner Peace

Third Place & People's Choice

Caleb Goodwin
Bleached

Beads & Jewelry

First Place & People's Choice

Merilou Jenkins
Pretty in Pink

Second Place

Stephanie Chavez
Balance

Third Place

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Aqua Lotus

Cold Working

First Place & People's Choice

Kent Lauer

Dimensional Doorway

Second Place

Sonja London-Hall

Ballerina 1 and Ballerina 2 Pair

Amateur Divisions

Fused/Cast/Kiln Worked

First Place & People's Choice

Tana Simmons

Kaleidoscope

Second Place

Mary Catherman

Go with the Flow

Third Place

Constance Abuan

Walrus & Eggman

Mosaics

First Place & People's Choice

Deanna Muir

Spiral Cosmos

Stained Glass

First Place & People's Choice

David Wignall

Warped Space (Faces)

Second Place

Gary Gill

Clematis

Third Place

Gary Gill

Proud

Blown & Flameworked

First Place & People's Choice

Robert Brouillard

Double Vortex with Spider

Beads & Jewelry

First Place

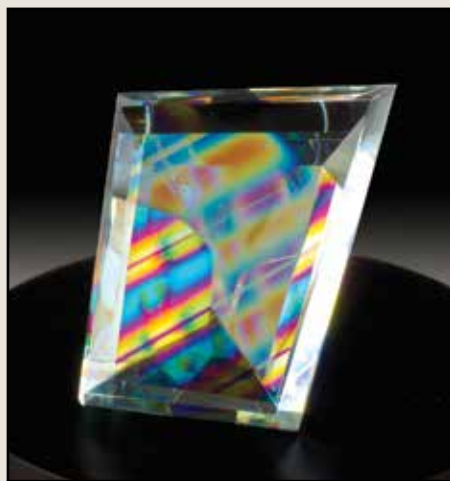
Teresa Alexander

Alexander Vintage

Second Place & People's Choice

Megan Feibusch

The Goddess and Life



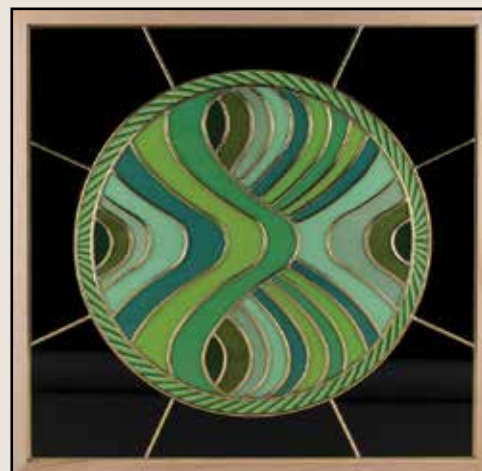
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