

Emerging Artists Award

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The Glasscraft Emerging Artist Award will be awarded to up and coming flameworking artists who have demonstrated outstanding skill and who have contributed to the lampworking community thru technical and artistic innovation. The award is given to twelve lampworking artists a year, one of which will become the Glasscraft Emerging Artist.

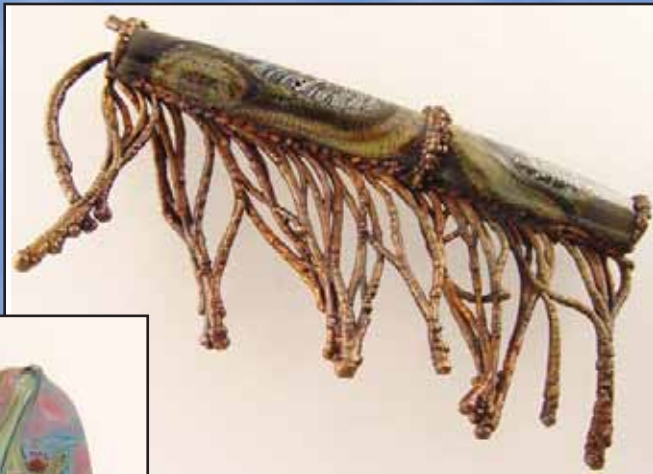
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From the beginning of my lampworking career, I have focused on organic, earthy designs. Drawing from my education in fish biology and passion for rock hunting the colors of the earth and its inhabitants come naturally. I try to incorporate the rich yellows, golds and reds of the earth, the cool blues, greens and purples of the sea combined with the darkest shades of night into each one of my beads.

Developing my lampwork techniques I am inspired by the work Andrea Guarino. Her beads have an amazing ability to feel like the ocean. Michael Barley's beads beckon me to their soothing depths. The long, slender beads of Jim Smiricich and Inara Knight entrance me with their elegance..

Impassioned by my surroundings, motivated by my dreams, and driven by my desire to improve, my work is a reflection of me. Combining my love of the

ocean, earthy colors, and years of practice my beads have evolved into sophisticated, graceful pieces. My beads show you the beauty of our natural world, my love for lampworking and the evolution of me.



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