Susan Hood

Working at the torch is a form of meditation for Susan Hood. She focuses completely on the creative process through a liquid medium, always endeavoring to capture light in her pieces. This element is fundamental to how Susan's work is shaped, colored, and presented. She sees her jewelry as an extension of the personality of the wearer in harmony with the intent of the artist. Much of her work has a marine influence, since she has always lived near the ocean.

Susan shares that, "Glass is the only medium that doesn't leave me empty and exhausted after the creative process. Instead, it fills me with enthusiasm and energy." Although she has studied pottery, painting, and drawing, she now works exclusively in lampworking, the most challenging art form for her.

When Susan is not making beads or traveling for demonstrations, classes, and shows, she runs a "Bead and Breakfast" retreat at her heritage home in Yarmouth, Nova Scotia, Canada. She has created jewelry collec-

tions for Miss Canada, the women of the G8 Summit 2010, and the DPA gift suites for the stars at the Toronto International Film Festival and the Golden Globes.

Visit susanhooddesigns.com to view more of Susan's glass art.



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What is the Glasscraft Emerging Artist Award?

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 through technical and artistic innovation.

How many artists will be featured?

Nine lampworking artists will be selected from those nominated each year, one of which will be chosen as the Glasscraft Emerging Artist for that year.

How can I qualify for this award?

Please join us by participating in the Glasscraft Emerging Artist Award. Just send your artist profile (125 to 150 words), high-resolution digital photos of your work, contact information, and the photographer's name on CD to:

Glasscraft Emerging Artist Award c/o The Flow PO Box 69 Westport, KY 40077