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Message from the President



I am excited to share with you all of the plans for our upcoming conference at Bryn Athyn College. If you haven't registered don't wait any longer. Some of our workshops have already filled. There are quite a few departures from prior years so let me call-out a few of the highlights you won't want to miss.

Although the conference "officially" begins with lunch on Friday you should really plan to come early. Registration and onsite lodging check-in will begin on Thursday afternoon June 26th. I encourage you to join us for an informal welcome dinner at 5:30PM followed by a student exhibition at the college's science center. We will once again "Meet the Muse" and create a group mural which will be on display throughout the conference.

This year we have added a new feature called "ARTSPACE". This is conceived as an informal walk-in salon where anyone can exhibit new

work, discuss works in progress or even pull up your website via WIFI and get a critique. Plan to bring something along to get feedback from one of our three advisory panels (see page 10 for details).

As dusk falls on Thursday evening the Bryn Athyn Historic District will be transformed as Bryn Athyn Cathedral, Glencairn Museum and Cairnwood Manor are illuminated in the spectacular "Landmarks in Lights" program. This annual event falls on the eve of our conference and will draw 10's of thousands of visitors.

Have I impressed upon you that all of this is happening before the conference has even officially begun? Bryn Athyn has so much to offer that our program is literally bursting at the seams. You won't want to miss a moment which is why we have arranged onsite accommodations in the college's all suite dorms. You will find lots of information in this newsletter and even more online at the conference blog.

I look forward to seeing you in Glasstopia!

Kindest regards, J. Kenneth Leap, President

American Glass Guild 2014 James C. Whitney Scholarship Awards

The American Glass Guild is very pleased to announce its 2014 James C. Whitney Scholarships. Twelve recipients received full or partial scholarships for educational opportunities, such as conferences and workshops in the USA.

Thank you to everyone who has contributed to our annual auction, which is how we raise funds for the scholarships. They are an important way the American Glass Guild supports education in our field. We would like to congratulate the following recipients!

Kathy Barnard - Kansas City, MO

Expressive Stained Glass with Ellen Mandelbaum

Karen Deets - Fair Haven, VT Stained Glass Painting with Debora Coombs

Johnny Diaz - New York, NY Glass Painting: Session #1: Core Foundation with

Kathy Jordan & J. Kenneth Leap

Sean Michael Felix - Chicago, IL SGAA Workshop: Enamel Painting with Jim Berberich

Nancy Gong - Rochester, NY

Painting in the Space: Glass with Susan Stinsmuehlen-Amend at Pilchuck

Jeanne Kisela - Bordentown, NJ

AGG Workshop: Glass Painting with Williams & Byrne AGG Workshop: with Narcissus Quagliata Judson Portzer - Huntsville, AL AGG Workshop: Glass Painting with Williams & Byrne

Ekaterina Reier - Bunnlevel, NC Stained Glass Painting with Debora Coombs

Midge Scanlan - Rochester, VT Stained Glass Painting with Debora Coombs

Trebs Thompson - Newark, DE AGG Bryn Athyn Conference AGG Workshop: Troy Moody AGG Workshop: Glass Blowing with Jason Klein

Daniel White - Palmyra, VA AGG Bryn Athyn Conference AGG Workshop: Glass Painting with Williams & Byrne

Amber Wingerson - Arlington, VA AGG Bryn Athyn Conference

American Glass Guild 2014 Award Announcements Peter McGrain Joseph Barnes Lifetime Achievement Award

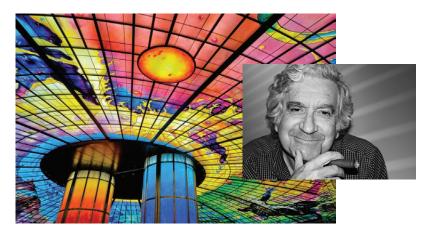
Peter's enthusiastic and infectious passion for glass is evident in his body of work. His resume speaks volumes, touching all sectors of the glass community. Peter's work is award winning, published, commissioned and collected. His glass resides in public spaces, schools, Churches, private collections and galleries. It adorns the covers of trade magazines and is used in the advertising campaigns of major glass distributors. Peter McGrain's success can be attributed to his unique style and brilliant imagination. His work engages the viewer with colorful imagery and masterful composition.

As a veteran instructor, Peter has encouraged countless students, myself included, to become better glass artists. His passion for teaching is tireless and his giving nature endless. I believe, like so many, Peter is undeniably one of the most generous and talented artist working in stained glass today.



Kathy Jordan

Narcissus Quagliata AGG Lifetime Achievement Award for Excellence in Design



I would like to nominate Narcissus Quagliata for an Excellence in Design award which would be most fitting for the artist and his contributions to the field of architectural art glass. Narcissus has contributed to the field with a great impact with his approach to design and publications on designing for stained glass. In his earlier years, he taught design and influenced many glass designers and glass artists. The recent commission completed in Taiwan is just the most recent example of his stellar contribution to the field and to the world.

Nancy Gong

Paula Mandel & Joan Myerson Shrager AGG Inspiration and Service Award

I would like to nominate Paula Mandel and Joan Myerson Shrager, co-founders of "The Stained Glass Project" located in Germantown, PA. These artists selflessly work with at-risk youth to create stained glass panels which they donate to other schools. Panels created by students they mentor have gone to Africa, Katrina victims in New Orleans and a native American reservation school in the North West. The motto of their project is "Windows That Open Doors" I have visited these artists and think it would be fitting for the AGG to recognize their work in some way.

J. Kenneth Leap



2014 AGG Conference Schedule 1

specific times and programs subject to change

Thursday, June 26, 2014

Board Meeting

Brickman Center, 11:00am – 1:00pm

Workshops 1:00pm – 5:00pm

Tom Kupper & Dan Beal Conservation of Medieval Stained Glass *Doering Center* Troy Moody Image Transfer on Kiln-Cast Glass Doering Center Williams & Byrne Glass Painting Doering Center

Bryn Athyn Historic District, 8:00pm-11:00pm

http://bahistoricdistrict.org/?p=1274

Thursday Evening Events

Artspace / Student Exhibit Opening Doering Center, 6:30pm - 8:30pm Public invited

Friday, June 27, 2014 Workshops

8:00am - 12:00pm

Jason Klein Hot Glass for the Stained Glass Artist *Glencairn Museum* **Tom Krepcio** Acid Etching Workshop *Doering Center* Narcissus Quagliata Design Workshop Doering Center

Landmarks in Lights

for further info:

Carol Stirton-Broad Mosaic: Traditional

and Contemporary Doering Center

ARTSPACE - Doering Center, 8:30am - 11:30pm

Presentations / Panels

1:00pm – 5:00pm

Nancy Gong The Growth of Smalti Mosaics in the US

Troy Moody Stained Glass Sensibilities in Terrazzo Public Art

Caroline Dunleavy Louis Comfort Tiffany through a Spiritual Lens **Anne Therese Kelly** Evolution and Process: Song of Creation

Friday Evening Events

American Glass Now 2014 Opening Glencairn Museum, 6:30pm - 7:30pm Public invited, Space limited, registration required

Cynthia Courage From the Heart: In the Aftermath of Katrina Mel Howse Shifting Surfaces Art Femenella DAR Lay Light Restoration Project Panel: Conservation Standards: If Not Now, When?

Art Femenella, Moderator Steve Hartley, Tom Kupper, Mary Clerkin Higgins

Keynote Address - Narcissus Quagliata

Glencairn Museum, 7:40pm - 8:45pm Public invited, *Space limited, registration required*

2014 AGG Conference Schedule 2

specific times and programs subject to change

Saturday, June 28, 2014

Presentations / Panels

8:00am - 11:30pm

Martha Gyllenhaal Crafts at Bryn Athyn: A Legacy of Raymond Pitcairn Michael Cothren Raymond Pitcairn Collection of Medieval Stained Glass Brianne Kozlowski Stained Glass Techniques of Bryn Athyn Cathedral

Business Meeting Brickman Center, 11:45am – 12:45pm Board Elections

Demonstrations & Tours

Glencairn Museum, 1:15pm – 5:00pm

J.Kenneth Leap Glassmaking in Bryn Athyn Sarah Brown Looking for John Thornton: The Conservation of the Great East Window at York Minster PANEL: Heritage Sites related to Stained Glass

Steve Hartley, Moderator - Sarah Brown, Brianne Kozlowski, Tom Kupper

1:15 - 2:00 pm		2:15 - 3:00 pm		3:15 - 4:00 pm		4:15 - 5:00 pm		
	Jason Klein		Jason Klein		Jason Klein		Jason Klein	
	<i>Glassblowing Demo</i>		Glassblowing Demo		Glassblowing Demo		Glassblowing Demo	
Michael	Martha	Michael	Martha	Michael	Martha	Michael	Martha	
Cothren	Gyllenhaal	Cothren	Gyllenhaal	Cothren	Gyllenhaal	Cothren	Gyllenhaal	
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Tom Kupper		Tom Kupper		Tom Kupper		Tom Kupper		
Conservation Issues		Conservation Issues		Conservation Issues		<i>Conservation Issues</i>		
Medieval Gallery		Medieval Gallery		Medieval Gallery		<i>Medieval Gallery</i>		
Glencairn Museum		Glencairn Museum		Glencairn Museum		Glencairn Museum		
<i>Tours</i>		<i>Tours</i>		<i>Tours</i>		<i>Tours</i>		

Saturday Evening Events

Dinner

Brickman Center, Dining Hall, 6:00pm - 7:00pm

Joseph Barnes Lifetime Achievement Awards Ceremony Brickman Center, Great Hall, 7:10pm - 7:30pm

Live Auction / Cash Bar Brickman Center, Great Hall, 7:30pm - 9:30pm Public invited

2014 AGG Conference Schedule 3

specific times and programs subject to change

Sunday, June 29, 2014

Demonstrations & ARTSPACE

Doering Center, 8:00am – 12:00pm

8:00 - 8:45 am	9:00 - 9:45 am	10:00 - 10:45 am	11:00 - 11:45 am
Mary Clerkin Higgins	Bohle	Mary Clerkin Higgins	Bohle
Conservation Gluing	Lamination Art Glass	Conservation Gluing	Lamination Art Glass
Ellen Mandelbaum	Ellen Mandelbaum	J. Kenneth Leap	J. Kenneth Leap
A Brush With Freedom	A Brush With Freedom	Airbrush Painting	<i>Airbrush Painting</i>
Nancy Gong	Scott Ouderkirk	Nancy Gong	Scott Ouderkirk
<i>Smalti Mosaic</i>	<i>Decal Transfer on Glass</i>	<i>Smalti Mosaic</i>	<i>Decal Transfer on Glass</i>

Presentations / Panels

1:00pm – 4:30pm

Judith Schaechter Skills PANEL: State of the Art Judith Schaechter Mel Howse Anna Booth

Closing Remarks 5:00pm

Board Meeting

5:15pm **Post Conference Party** 6:30pm - 9:30pm

Monday, June 30, 2014 Bus tour, Princeton NJ

8:00am – 4:00pm **Princeton United Methodist Church** *Tiffany Studios, later* **Chancellor Green Hall** *Decorative Skylight, circa 1870's* **Alexander Hall** *Richardsonian Romanesque, Tiffany Studio window*

Jordan Wright & Ryan Fleet On Video Production Jennifer Simon Art Residencies in Schools Robin Middleman Grants & Public Art Anthony Glander 2015 AGG Conference Preview

Remember -

This year, for all the latest news, go to the 2014 conference blog

http://agg2014.blogspot.com

University Chapel, Princeton University 1920's Connick Studio, Willet. Procter Hall, Graduate College William Willet, Early Charles Connick Trinity Church Episcopal Later Connick, W. Wilson

2014 Conference Registration - Do it Now!

Member Registration: \$275 Non-members: \$330 Students (with school ID): \$160 Individual Day Rates: Friday only: \$75. Saturday only: \$125. Sunday only: \$125 All Workshops (including materials fee): \$185

Stained Glass Bus Tour to Princeton, NJ (Monday June 30, lunch on our own): \$50

Full registration includes all meals: Thursday: dinner only, Friday, Saturday & Sunday: breakfast, lunch & dinner

To register by printed form -

- 1. Print Form: www.americanglassguild.org/2014conference/2014 AGG-ConferenceRegistrationForm.pdf
- 2. Mail to: American Glass Guild c/o Janet Lipstreu, 2530 Superior Ave. Suite 500, Cleveland, OH 44114 with check or credit card information

or FAX to 216-348-1116 with credit card information

To register by online form -

1. Print Form: https://www.formstack.com/forms/AGG2014-conference registration

2014 Conference Lodging

Detailed lodging info -

http://agg2014.blogspot.com/p/lodging.html

Reservations - On-Campus Housing Contact: Hannah Lermitte Phone: (267) 502-4864 Fax: (267) 502-2530 email: Hannah.lermitte@anc-gc.org

A limited number of local hotel rooms have been reserved for the AGG Conference - check the lodging blog page for more details.

Lodging info pdf file -

http://www.americanglassguild.org/2014conference/2014 AGGConference-lodging.pdf

Call for Images - Member Slide Show

Members will be invited to submit up to 5 images that represent their work for the Members "Slide" show. The images will be shown on a TV monitor in the Great Hall of the Brickman Center. Images can be high resolution (300dpi), but no larger than 2000 pixels in any direction.

You can use the convenient online form to submit your images for the show -

https://www.formstack.com/forms/AGG2014-american glass guild members slideshow



Conference Workshops Thursday pm

Thursday, June 26, 2014 *Doering Center, 1:00pm – 5:00pm*

All workshops are \$185, including materials fee.

Williams & Byrne Glass Painting



Doering Center, Room 220 (limited to 12)

You concentrate on glass painting and nothing else. No lead-work or glass-cutting is involved. This means you'll improve your glass painting at an astonishing pace. We supply lovely designs for you to copy - We have a huge number of designs for you to choose from, such as medieval heads, ornamental quarries, animals, and decorative borders. We don't have a "template". This means you get the training that's exactly right for you. We are experienced teachers. We believe in teaching, but we don't need to teach, nor do we over-do it/repeat ourselves. This means we are awake and alive to the things you want or need to learn.

David Williams & Stephen Byrne websites: general: http://www.williamsandbyrne.com glass painting: http://www.realglasspainting.com



Tom Kupper & Dan Beal Conservation of Medieval Stained Glass

Doering Center, Room 221 (limited to 20)

In a dedicated 4 hour session, and working with medieval stained glass from the renowned Pitcairn collection at the Glencairn museum, Tom Kupper of Lincoln Cathedral will demonstrate methods and approaches for conserving and preserving medieval stained glass. He will discuss issues such as mechanical and chemical cleaning methods, glass analysis, environmental monitoring and the development of the right protective glazing systems. There will be explanation of support materials such as full scale polycarbonate transparencies, facsimile glass, examples of historic and modern metal work and environmental and chemical glass analysis documentation. Part of the session is potentially hands on, so that the delegates can have first hand experience with some of the techniques previously shown and discussed. He will also showcase digital recording techniques. This is an extremely rare opportunity.

Troy Moody Image Transfer on Kiln-Cast Glass

Doering Center, Room 319 (limited to 12)

This workshop is intended to offer an introduction to two unique techniques for adding complexity to kiln formed art glass. The first technique is the use of iron-oxide decals to transfer custom imagery into your work while the other is a "dry casting" technique to create topography and textures in kiln formed glass.

website: www.troymoody.com





Conference Workshops Friday am

Friday, June 27, 2014 *Doering Center, 8:00am – 12:00pm*

All workshops are \$185, including materials fee.

Jason Klein Glassblowing Workshop

Glencairn Museum (limited to 8)

This rare opportunity to work with glassblower Jason Klein is designed with the stained glass artist in mind. Participants will blow unique custom roundels, cylinders or Norman Slabs, table cast sheet glass or a selection of pressed glass jewels perfect to incorporate into leaded glass panels. Don't miss this!

website: http://historicalglassworks.com



Tom Krepcio *Acid Etching Workshop*

Doering Center, Room 320 (limited to 12)

Taking advantage of the science lab facilities at the Doering Center of Bryn Athyn College, Tom Krepcio will conduct a workshop in the etching of flashed glass using hydrofluoric acid. Topics covered will be the safe setup of an acid etching space, the application and advantages of a variety of acid resists, and what equipment is needed depending on what scale you are working at. There will be a comparison of sandblasting, engraving and acid etching, with samples showing where each has advantages and disadvantages. The differences in the etching qualities and times of different flashed glasses will also be looked at. Most importantly, we will look at how, in all instances, to work safely with hydrofluoric acid. This is a unique chance to take a workshop in this fascinating process.

website - www.krepcio.com



Narcissus Quagliata Design Workshop



Doering Center, Room 114 (limited to 15)

From the mind of the artist to a complete presentation to the client, the purpose of this class is to guide the students through the process of creating a project from conception to its presentation to a client or architect. Painters, architects, and glass artists are invited to discover the potential of glass as a medium, and turn this awareness into a project that can be realized.

website: http://www.narcissusquagliata.com



Carol Stirton-Broad Glass Mosaics -Contemporary and Traditional

Doering Center, Room 220 (limited to 12)

Mosaic Art is having a resurgence in the United States and glass in many forms is playing a major role in this new wave of artistic creativity. In this workshop we will look at several of these types of glass, focusing on the traditional Italian smalti and compare it to the products from Mexico and China. Each participant will produce a small sampler using traditional techniques. Next you will make another small piece using these materials in your own style. There will be a limited number of hammer and hardies available for you to try as well as a collection of glass nippers for you to experiment with. The instructor will bring sample boards from different manufacturers and provide a list of resources as well as a handout with a review of the material covered. I hope that you will love this process and the beautiful materials as much as I do.

website: www.carolstirton-broad.com



ARTSPACE

What is ARTSPACE? By way of experimental exhibition space and educational gathering, ARTSPACE is conceived as an informal walk-in salon where anyone can exhibit new work, discuss works in progress or even pull up your website via WIFI and get a critique. Enjoy the work on display or bring your own and get feedback and support from fellow artists.

Events will include -'Meet Your Muse' Drawing Event Student Exhibits Advisory Panels Member's Exhibit Stained Glass Technical Displays and ????

Doering Center at Bryn Athyn College

ARTSPACE, as well as the Conference demonstrations and workshops, will be held at the 39,000 square foot Grant R. Doering Center for Science and Research, which houses science laboratories along with classrooms and faculty offices.

Atrium Lobby, Doering Center



Advisory Panels at Artspace

Art Education Panel

Thursday Evening

J. Kenneth Leap, Judith Schaechter, Stephen Hartley, Anna Boothe

Senior Advisors Panel

Friday Morning

Charles Z. Lawrence, Barbara Krueger, Sylvia Nicholas, Ellen Mandelbaum

British Invasion Panel

(a.k.a. The Brit Crit) Sunday Morning

David Williams, Stephen Byrne, Mel Howse, Tom Kupper, Dan Beal

Painting on Glass & Windows that Open Doors Student Exhibits

See the works of students from Bryn Athyn College and other area schools including a special exhibition by high school students in the "Windows that Open Doors" project.



Windows That Open Doors

Classroom 117,

Doering Center



Self Portrait Project, 7" x 9", Vitri Fusaille Panel by Bianca Feliciano Painting on Glass Class

www.americanglassguild.org

Demonstrations & Tours

On the Saturday afternoon of June 28, groups will be taken to different areas of Glencairn Museum. Aside from the general tours of the museum, Jason Klein will be demonstrating glassblowing, while Tom Kupper will be in the Medieval Gallery talking about medieval stained glass conservation. Michael Cothren will be in the Treasury Gallery talking about the most rare stained glass in the museum, and Martha Gyllenhaal will be showing drawings that were made of the medieval glass in in preparation for creating the stained glass of Bryn Athyn Cathedral.

Saturday, June 28, 2014

Demonstrations & Tours at Glencairn Museum

Glencairn Museum, 1:15pm – 5:00pm

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<i>Tours</i>		<i>Tours</i>		<i>Tours</i>		<i>Tours</i>	

On Sunday morning, there will be a series of demonstrations at the Doering Center, with a wide variety of presenters. It will up to you to choose which you would like to see. On top of this, the *ARTSPACE* exhibits will be open and there will be an advisory panel set up of our British colleagues, to review work or generally dicuss the state of stained glass today.

Sunday, June 29, 2014

Demonstrations & ARTSPACE at the Doering Center

8:00am - 12:00pm

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Ellen Mandelbaum A Brush With Freedom	Ellen Mandelbaum A Brush With Freedom	J. Kenneth Leap Airbrush Painting	J. Kenneth Leap <i>Airbrush Painting</i>
Nancy GongScott OuderkSmalti MosaicDecal Transfer or		Nancy Gong <i>Smalti Mosaic</i>	Scott Ouderkirk <i>Decal Transfer on Glass</i>

2014 American Glass Guild Conference Speakers

(subject to change - specific times to be determined)

Presentations/Panels

Sarah Brown Looking for John Thornton: The Conservation of the Great East Window at York Minster

Cynthia Courage

From the Heart: In the Aftermath of Katrina **Caroline Dunleavv**

Louis Comfort Tiffany through a Spiritual Lens **Art Femenella**

DAR Lay Light Restoration Project Panel: Conservation Standards: If Not Now, When? Nancy Gong

The Growth of Smalti Mosaics in the US Martha Gyllenhaal

Bryn Athyn Craft

Mary Clerkin Higgins

Panel: Conservation Standards: If Not Now, When?

Ann Therese Kelly Evolution and Process: Song of Creation & "The Canticle of the Sun"

Brianne Kozlowski

Stained Glass Techniques of Bryn Athyn Cathedral

J. Kenneth Leap Glass Making in Bryn Athyn

Robin Middleman

Grants & Public Art

Troy Moody Stained Glass Sensibilities in Terrazzo Public Art

Narcissus Quagliata

Keynote **Judith Schaechter** Skills Pnwl: State of the Art 2014 **Jennifer Simon** Art Residencies in Schools **Jordan Wright & Ryan Fleet** On Video Production

> Judith Schaechter Stained Glass Artist Presenter, 2014 AGG Conference

Seeing is Believing (detail) Designed and Fabricated by Judith Schaechter Museum of Arts and Design, New York, NY



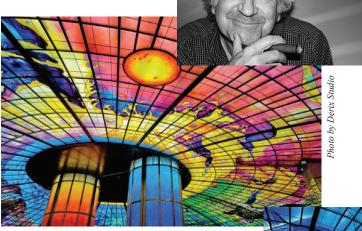


Sarah Brown Director, York Glaziers Trust Presenter 2014 AGG Conference



The Dragon Gives Power to the Beast (Revelation 13: 1-2) panel 5a of York Minster's Great East Window after conservation by the York Glaziers Trust, 2012

Narcissus Quagliata Artist/Designer Keynote Speaker, 2014 AGG Conference



Dome of Light Kaohsiung Rapid Transit Corporation, Kaohsiung, Taiwan. Designed by Narcissus Quagliata, Fabricated at Derix Studios in Germany.

> Narcissus Quagliata: Architypes and Visions in Light and Glass - There will be a book signing following the keynote speech on Friday, June 27, 2014

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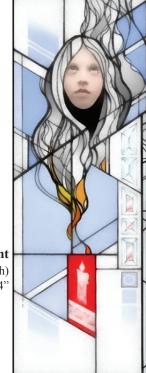
QUAGLIAT

American Glass Now: 2014 Exhibition: May 1st - June 27th, 2014 Reception and Awards Ceremony: Friday, June 27th, 2014 Glencairn Museum, Bryn Athyn, Pennslyvania



Amy Valuck Purple Rose, Sketch Flowers and leaves will be fused and incorporated into traditional lead came panel.

Sean R. Merchant *Reverie* (sketch) Finished panel will be 8.5" x 24"



Hallie Monroe Owl in the Birches



The American Glass Guild is delighted to announce the artists selected for American Glass Now: 2014, our third Juried Show to be held at the Glencairn Museum in Bryn Athyn, PA from May 1st to June 30th, 2014.

The eighteen artists are, in alphabetical order:

- Don Burt
- Joseph Cavalieri
- Marie Foucault-Phipps
- Saara Gallin
- Nancy Gong
- Mary Clerkin Higgins
- Sr. Ann Therese Kelly
- Barbara Krueger
- J. Kenneth Leap

Congratulations to them all!

- Linda LichtmanEllen Mandelbaum
- Sean Merchant
- Hallie Richards Monroe
- Nancy Nicholson
- Rick Prigg
- Patrice Schelkun
- Amy Valuk
- Sasha Zhitneva

For the first time the AGG will present the American Glass Guild AGNX Awards for Excellence in the Art of Stained Glass. The Jury will award from one to three evenly weighted (i.e. nonranked) awards. The number presented may vary each year at the discretion of the Jury according to the strength of the submissions, with a maximum of three in any given year. The jurors will consider as criteria: creative use of materials, original expression, aesthetic impact, clarity of narrative, and complexity of execution and will deliver a short assessment reflecting on the criteria for each winner. American Glass Now is intended to give artists an opportunity to experiment, show their skills, be ambitious, have a dialogue with fellow artists, and show the public what stained glass can be. Thank you to everyone who submitted!

Our thanks go to the jury - Virginia Raguin (Professor of Art History at College of the Holy Cross) and Judith Schaechter (Artist and Educator at University of the Arts in Philadelphia, PA Academy of the Arts, and the NY Academy of the Arts). Raguin and Schaechter will discuss and critique the works in the show during a special presentation at Glencairn Museum on Friday evening, June 27th, after which the AGNX Awards will be presented by the jury. The AGG Conference Keynote Address by artist Narcissus Quagliata will follow.

This event is free and open to the public. We hope to see you there!

Mary Clerkin Higgins, Exhibition Chair

Donate to the 2014 AGG Auction

Silent & Live Auction:

Saturday, June 28th, following dinner at Brickman Center, Bryn Athyn College, Bryn Athyn, PA Silent Auction: Closes at 6:00 p.m. Live Auction: Begins at 7:30 p.m.

Preview:

Friday, June 27th, evening. Saturday, July 28th, throughout the day. Absentee Bidding will be available, details to follow

It's not too late to contribute something to the 2014 AGG Auction! I'm happy to be serving as Auction Chair once again, and I ask each of you to consider making a donation. The Auction is our organization's primary source of fundraising! Without your support and the support of manufacturers and suppliers who serve the stained glass community, we could not continue in our mission to support those working in our field by providing a wide range of educational and informative experiences, including those offered at our annual Conference. The American Glass Guild Auction is the sole source of support for the James C. Whitney Scholarship Fund, which has awarded close to 100 scholarships thus far to worthy recipients. Past scholarship recipients have traveled nationally and internationally, honing their skills and knowledge. *(continued on next page)*



Donation by Rudolf Staroscik *Two Pumpkins*, foiled stained glass panel 21.5" X 15.5 " incorporating two faceted glass pumpkins framed in .5 inch brass U came.



Donation by Mark Bolick, His Glassworks, Inc. One 1/2 Pound kit HXTAL NYL-1 Adheisve, pack of pipets, pack of mixing cups, glass stirring rod and digital scale



Donation by Jon Erickson *Untitled*, 16.25" x 11", painted stained glass panel Jon says - "Make your own narrative..."



Donation by Sylvia Nicolas *Forbearance,* 12 3/4" x 17", Hand painted, leaded glass panel

(2014 Auction update continued)

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The room where auction items will be held for preview. The stained glass panels will be installed so they can be previewed in natural light. Tables will be set up for other items.



Donation by Barbara Krueger *3 copper foil panels, 3 1/2" by 11"*

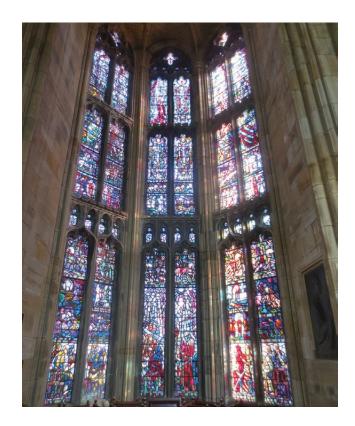


Donation by Tim Carey *Warm Self Portrait,* 6 1/2" x 8 1/2", leaded, painted, glued



Donation by Ron Hinkle *Potion Bottle,* approximately 4" tall

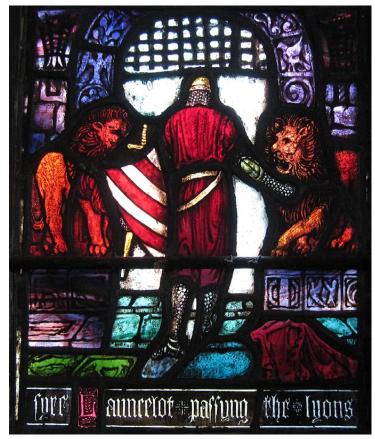
20014 American Glass Guild Conference Princeton Bus Tour Highlight





The Holy Grail Window

Charles Connick Studio, 1919 Procter Hall, Graduate College Princeton University Princeton, New Jersey



above - Sir Launcelot Passing the Lions

Sir Launcelot is passing the Lions at the perilous gate. In response to the voice which summons his spiritual rather than his physical courage, he holds his sword powerlessly in his left hand.

Inscription: "syre Launcelot passyng the lyons."

left - Sir Percival Rescues the Lion

Sir Percival appears below in that quaintly significant incident, the rescue of the lion and cub from the evil snake.

Inscription: "syr Percyual rescowed the lyon."

Princeton Bus Tour Highlight - The Holy Grail Window, continued...



Sir Gawain Rescues the Maiden

Sir Gawaine (in the second lancet) with the seven wicked knights (the seven deadly sins), to rescue the seven maidens (the seven goodly virtues) at the Castle of the Maidens.

Inscription: "and syr Gawaine destroye the seven wycked Bretheren of the castel of the Maydens."

Sir Bors Rescues the Maid

In the sixth lancet is given the rescue of the maid by Sir Bors in his fierce battle with the black knight at sunset.

Inscription: "syr Bors rescowed the Mayde."



The Holy grail window was designed by Charles J. Connick, and was made in his studio at Nine Harcourt Street, Boston. The following artists, painters, and craftsmen were his assistants: J.G. Reynolds, T.P. Rudd, T. Mainini, A. Marena, W.M. Francis, K.O. Svendsen, C.T. Watson, J.H. Rohnstock, M. Andresen, W. Hudson, C.W. Vollmar, E.J. Mooney.

All text from these pages from the Princeton Graduate College Website on the Holy Grail window -"The Holy Grail Window", c. 1919; from the Historical Subject Files, Grounds and Buildings; Box 5A; Princeton University Archives; Department of Rare Books and Special Collections; Princeton University Libraries.

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The Raymond Pitcairn Collection of Medieval Art 2014 Conference Highlight

"The Romanesque and Gothic art that was assembled by Raymond Pitcairn in the early part of this century represents the world's finest and most extensive collection of medieval sculpture and stained glass still in private hands. Raymond Pitcairn's activities as a collector began with an architectural commission - the creation of a cathedral for the General Church of the New Jerusalem in Bryn Athyn, Pennsylvania. His motives for collecting monumental sculpture and stained glass were twofold: He sought definitive exemplars from the "Age of the Cathedrals" to inspire his craftsmen to make the new cathedral a fitting place of worship, and he delighted in the simple pleasure of possessing unique and beautiful objects. In fewer than forty years, he energetically acquired more than 330 sculptures, over 260 panels of stained glass, and a smaller, but significant, number of treasury arts... Twelfth-century stained glass retains the monumentality of Romanesque calligraphy, its radiant forms shaped in accordance with the demands of the field. In thirteenth-century windows, these forms are multiplied and distributed over immense solar tapestries, which set the Scriptures, as well as profane history, against the open sky. The epic fervor of the twelfth century has given way, in both sculpture and glass, to a kind of reserved majesty, an image of life bathed in light..."

Philippe de Montebello, Introduction to *Radiance and Reflection: Medieval Art from the Raymond Pitcairn Collection*

Raymond Pitcairn Collection of Medieval Art, continued...

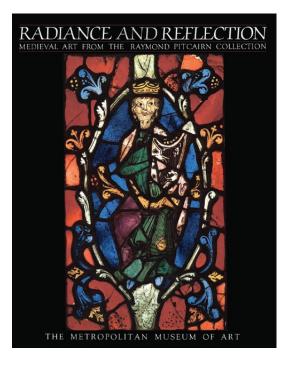


previous page - *The Flight into Egypt, from The Infancy of Christ Window (?) France, Abbey of Saint»Denis About 1145 Potmetal glass Height, 52 cm. (20 1/2 in.); width, 50 cm. (19 3/4 in.)*

The March of the Christian Army, from the First Crusade Window France, Abbey of Saint»Denis Choir, Ambulatory Chapel Pot metal glass with grisaille paint About 1150 Diameter, 50.1 cm. (193/4 in.)



On Saturday, June 28, 2014, Michael Cothren of Swarthmore College, a specialist in the glazing programs of the Abbey of Saint-Denis, will be speaking throughout the afternoon in the Treasury Gallery, where the St. Denis panels reside. All as part of a full afternoon of tours and talks at Glencairn Museum.



Radiance & Reflection: Medieval Art from the Raymond Pitcairn Collection

The definitive book on the Raymond Pitcairn Collection is *Radiance & Reflection: Medieval Art from the Raymond Pitcairn Collection*, published by the Metropolitan Museum of Art in 1983.

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First Chicago Stained Glass Invitational Exhibition Among the participants are several members of the American Glass Guild March 19, 2014

On an overcast Wednesday afternoon, the Chicago and vicinity stained glass community gathered at Solstice Stained Glass Studio on the near west side for the first ever Chicago Stained Glass Invitational Exhibition. This was part of the Glass Art Society's Day of Glass taking place in conjunction with their 43rd annual conference, being held in Chicago for the very first time.

The gathering and exhibition was modest: 14 studios and individuals participated. Many aspects of the stained glass art were illustrated and demonstrated. Ed Gilbertson showed a Tiffany window in process of restoration. Andy DeLaRosa demonstrated the cut and pierced lead technique made popular in Chicago by Edgar Miller. There were painted and stained works by Bill Klopsch, Alex Zemskoff, and Sean Michael Felix. Drehobl Studio showed a painted piece done in collaboration with Sean Michael Felix. There were antique examples of stenciling from Isaac Malis. Mark Radina showed a panel containing fused and slumped pieces combined with beveled dalle-de-verre components. Uri Guchinia and his wife Nathalie showed fused glass panels and glass mosaic. Vitaliious Vol-kovas illustrated how the spun bottoms of wine glasses can be used as rondels. Since they were wine glasses intended for the event, a dilemma ensued. It was difficult for one to put down his/ her wine glass, while there was still wine in it. Many of us know what might result from this situation. Cassy St. Clair-Krueger demonstrated disassembling a historic leaded panel underwater: the panel was under water, not Cassy.

The hostess, Emily Carlson showed several original, contemporary compositions juxtaposed in salvaged sashes and antique picture frames. Her main attraction was demonstrating the fabrication of a maquette for a monumental sculpture that employs laminated glass, in a collaborative work with steel artist Riggs Barr. The host, Larry Zgoda, had several things going on. He set up (with the help of Lara Rosenbush) an ongoing slide show of stained glass by Chicago's Edgar Miller: he showed a museum quality panel of Miller's stained glass and hawked the Edgar book on the side. He exhibited two original works. *Witch's Worm*, an easel- mounted work which includes an application of his original technique, Opus Vitri Fusium, in which many small glass pieces of mosaic tesserae are fused onto a base glass and then leaded into the composition. His other work was a study in Clovis Glass, where the individual glass pieces are scalloped, with a visual result resembling the knapped flint arrowheads of antiquity.

The intention of the event was met with resounding success, showing members of the Glass Art Society (and the rest of the world) the vitality of stained glass in this historically notorious city. The many GAS members who came by were pleasantly surprised by the degree of activity and camaraderie in the stained glass community in Chicago. The day was topped off with an evening of festive conviviality.

Where the Chicago Stained Glass Invitational goes from here remains to be seen. All of the participants and many of the guests would like to have further events. There's talk of a painting workshop. Zgoda would like to see some corporate involvement. Collaborations between studios are being discussed. Whatever comes about, this event surely brought a group of people together who previously had only rare opportunity to get to know their fellow stained glassers.

Larry Zgoda



Participants from left to right: Isaac Malis, Vitaliious Vol-kovas, Andy DelaRosa, Chris Drehobl, Sean Michael Felix, Rick Purro, Bill Klopsch, Larry Zgoda, Mark Radina, Emily Carlson, Ed Gilbertson. Not pictured: Sharon Bladholm, Uri & Nathalia Guchinia; Alex Zemskoff, Cassy St. Clair- Krueger, Lara Rosenbush

Images from the First Chicago Stained Glass Invitational Exhibition, March 19, 2014

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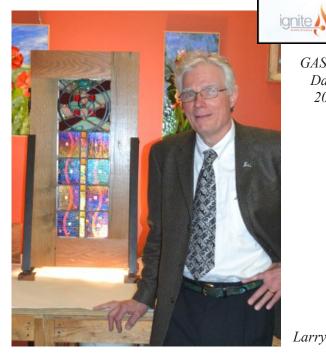
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Bill Klopsch showing a restored crest window.



Ed Gilbertson explaining technical aspects of a partially restored Tiffany panel to a CSGI guest



"Whiteboard I" by Emily Carlson

Larry Zgoda with "Witches Worm"

photos by Judy Kean

Larry Zgoda donates Edgar Miller Stained Glass Drawings to the Organic Architecture & Design Archive

Larry Zgoda has recently donated his collection of original, stained glass, working drawings by renowned Chicago artist, Edgar Miller, to the Organic Architecture & Design (OAD) Archive. Eric O'Malley of OAD accepted the collection on April 12, 2014, and hopes to keep them with the organization's vast collection of historically significant documents.

Larry Zgoda became a friend of Edgar Miller in the early 1980's, when the artist, in his 80's, began working in stained glass after many years away from Chicago. They worked together in the traditional artist/studio relationship on approximately 25 stained glass projects between 1984 and 1991. The projects were sometimes tiny, as in the Angel for Jo Mead or ambitious as in The World for the John S. Van Bergen designed, 1926, Humer Building. Edgar Miller passed away in 1993.

A part of Miller's artistic legacy is contained in several unique properties on Chicago's north side; multi-unit complexes of artist studios containing much art, ornament and architectural flare. The profusely illustrated book, Edgar Miller and the Handmade Home was published in 2009. The Organic Architecture & Design Archive was recently created by Eric O'Malley, Randolph C. Henning and William Blair Scott, Jr. for the purpose of preserving the archives of significant architects & designers with a focus on organic design. They also publish a journal dedicated to the same cause.

Larry Zgoda was pleased to find an organization which would accept and preserve these unique documents.

http://larryzgodastudio.com/about-the-artist/inspiration-edgar-miller/



"Woman & Man" finished panel

Rowan LeCompte (1925-2014)

American Glass Guild Senior Advisor 2011 Recipient Joseph Barnes Lifetime Achievement Award

Rowan LeCompte dies at 88; stained-glass artist who designed National Cathedral windows.

There will be a memorial service for Rowan LeCompte at the Washington National Cathedral on Monday, July 21st at 10AM. Rowan was a Senior Advisor of the American Glass Guild.

"Rowan LeCompte, who designed more than 40 stained glass windows for the Washington National Cathedral, died Feb. 11 at age 88. From the time of his first, fateful visit to Washington National Cathedral, Mr. LeCompte knew that was where he belonged. He designed more of the cathedral's 231 windows than any other artist, including the 16 clerestory, or upper-level, windows lining the full length of the nave, altogether designing more than 40 of the cathedral's windows, including its largest and most spectacular, the "Creation" rose window above the western entrance facing Wisconsin Avenue NW. When the circular window was dedicated in 1976, Washington Post architecture critic Wolf Von Eckardt hailed it as "surely one of the masterpieces of Christendom."

As a child, Mr. LeCompte had hopes of being either an artist or an architect. A life devoted to stained glass allowed him to be both. There was no school to study an art that was more medieval than



Photo by Peter Swanson

modern, so he learned on his own, with occasional tutorials from other masters. He lived in New York for several years and, early in his career, designed windows for churches in Baltimore and Hartford. His windows are in the New York governor's office, churches across the country, medical facilities and the Princeton University campus.

Rowan Keith LeCompte was born March 17, 1925, in Baltimore. He served in the Army during World War II and participated in the Normandy invasion and the liberation of Paris. He received the Purple Heart. His first wife, the former Irene Matz, helped with some of his designs before her death in 1970. She is buried in a crypt at Washington National Cathedral.

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Mr. LeCompte lived in Waterford, Va., for many years before settling in the Shenandoah Valley town of Waynesboro. A documentary about his life, "Let There Be Light," was completed by filmmaker Peter Swanson in 2012. Survivors include his wife of 39 years, Peggy Money LeCompte of Waynesboro, Va., four stepchildren and five grandchildren.

Mr. LeCompte was not simply trying to re-create a lost art. As early as 1955, he said, he wanted to have stained glass "assert itself as a great modern art." He aimed for three qualities in every window: clarity, richness and sparkle.

In 1972, he received the commission for his greatest work, the west rose window at the cathedral. His theme was nothing less than creation, based on the passage from Genesis: "And the earth was without form, and void; and darkness was upon the face of the deep ... And God said, 'Let there be light.'" At its unveiling in 1976, viewers were astonished at how the eye was drawn from one cluster of light to the next, as if viewing a painting by Helen or Jackson Pollock. The colors sparkled, faded and glowed, changing by the hour and imparting a sense of mystery and, in the eyes of many, the divine. Von Eckhart, the Post critic, called it "a glorious hallejujah in colored light."

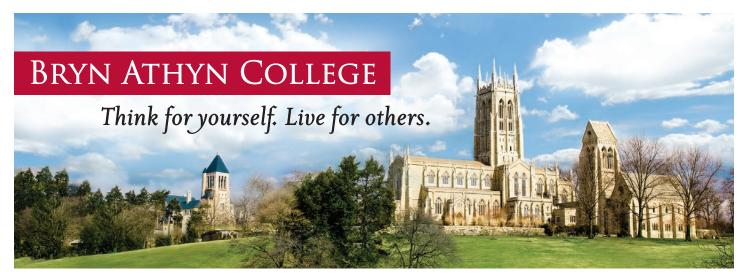
In 1990, construction of the cathedral was finally completed after 83 years. But Mr. LeCompte kept going, creating new windows and replacing others. He designed his final window about four years ago, but it has yet to take its place in the cathedral's firmament. Quiet and modest, Mr. LeCompte seldom spoke of his religious beliefs, except to say, "I believe in kindness and love, and there are those who say that those are God." "

> Condensed from a Washington Post article written by Matt Shundel Mary Clerkin Higgins



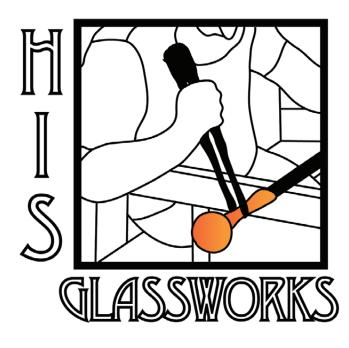
Isaiah Window (detail), National Cathedral of Sts. Peter and Paul, Washington, D.C., by Rowan LeCompte, 2010

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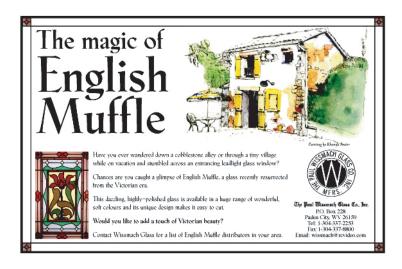
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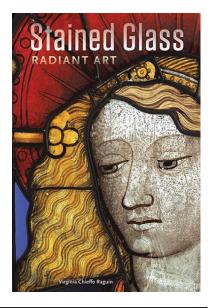
Stained Glass: Radiant Art

Recently published book by AGG member Virginia Chieffo Raguin

2013, Getty Publications - 112 pages, 6 x 9 inches, 80 color illustrations

Using photographs of the stained glass collection at the J. Paul Getty Museum, *Stained Glass: Radiant Art* is a general trade paperback rather than a large and detailed academic volume. In clear concise language, the book begins by describing the materials and techniques of a stained glass window, goes on to cover the subjects of iconography and architectural context, and then explores how artists and patrons work together. Finally, it looks at the collecting of stained glass and the contemporary challenges of restoration and display.

The Getty Museum collection is especially strong in late 15th to mid 16th century stained glass and this volume reflects that. In fact, there is only one stained glass work depicted from after the mid 16th century. That said, the selection of images as illustrations for the text is excellent. In particular, the comparisons of works of stained glass to art of other media, such as manuscripts, drawings, and panel paintings, is fascinating. Highly recommended. Tom Krepcio



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