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Laurie Burns

American, 1952-2016

Laurie Burns considers herself very fortunate to be a glass artist. Her first path through life sent her on a journey through health care. First as a physical therapist, and then as an administrator whose creativity was applied to planning many different healthcare facilities. While still in her early twenties, Burns an active young woman, found that nothing in the medical world assuaged a growing restlessness of creativity. For many years she designed stain glass windows but her interests are now in the more challenging forms of glass art. A curiosity about the history and the many forms (liquid, solid, gas) of glass fueled her mind and led to her current mastery of fused glass. Glass art is her chosen career allowing her to express her thoughts and emotions through alternate realities. Along with her busy healthcare career, she opened her first glass business in 1978. Her studio is located near her home in Salt Lake City. Through the years this Utah resident has accumulated countless types of glass used in fascinating large and small artistic pieces. She draws on her studies of graphic and interior design to provide inspiration for her glass art. The sensory images are wonderful and the incisive quality has not gone unnoticed by galleries throughout the country.

ARTIST STATEMENT

My love affair with glass is a fascinating, and exciting relationship that affords me endless opportunity for my creative energy. The different forms that glass passes through when going from a solid to a liquid allows for a new creation in each step of the process. Layers of glass combined with metal and stone highlights the glass and creates even more possibilities to explore.

AWARDS

Best of Show, Fused Glass, Glass Art Guild of Utah, Salt Lake City, UT 2006
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Peoples Choice, Glass Art Guild, Salt Lake City, Utah 2005

EXHIBITIONS

SOLO

Laurie Burns, Coda Gallery, Palm Desert, CA 2006
Glass Fantasy, OC Tanner, Salt Lake City, UT 1999

GROUP

Glass Art Guild, Patrick Moore Gallery, Salt Lake City, 2006
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Art in the Garden, Glass Art Guild, Salt Lake City, UT 2005
Glass Art Guild, Patrick Moore Gallery, Salt Lake City, UT 2004
Art in the Garden, Glass Art Guild, Red Butt Garden, Salt Lake City, UT 2004
Three Woman Show, Datura Gallery, St. George, UT 2003

PAST EXHIBITS

Pismo Gallery, Aspen, Co
A Gallery, Salt Lake City, UT
Lasko Gallery, Hilo, Hawaii
Gallery 33, Portland, OR
Kimball Arts Center, Park City, UT
Suprises Gallery, Houston, TX
October Gallery, Houston, TX
Scott Laurent Galleries, Winter Park, FL
Phoenix Gallery Topeka, Topeka, KS
Williams Fine Art, Salt Lake City, UT
OC Tanner, Salt Lake City, UT

CURRENT REPRESENTATION

Bella Vita Gallery, Lahaina, Hi
Coda Gallery, Palm Desert, CA
Coda Gallery, Park City, UT
Datura Gallery, St. George, UT
Exposures International, Sedona , AZ
Island Studio, Friday Harbor, WA
Nick Michaels Gallery, Ketchikan, AK

MEDIA

HGTV "That's Clever's" 2006

ASSOCIATIONS

Glass Art Guild of Utah, Founding Member, 1998 -Current
American Crafts Council, 1998 - Current
Glass Art Society, 2006-Current

COLLECTIONS

Salt Lake County
Salt Lake Airport International Airport
Numerous Private Collections

PUBLIC INSTALLATIONS

Hilton Hotel Lobby, Salt Lake City, UT
A Gallery, Salt Lake City, UT
Intermountain Health Care Child Care Center, St. George, UT
Coyote Gulch Garden, Ivins, UT