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Mark Lewanski

Biography

Mark Lewanski is an engineer, artist, inventor and founder of 'Glassboxguy' studio, which he launched in 2000 with the goal of revitalizing the art of stained glass. He has ultimately become a creative vanguard in the field, his trademark glass boxes and mosaic mirrors bought and appreciated by thousands of art lovers worldwide. Recent projects include glass weaving and woven glass vessels and sculpture, and beautiful, vibrant architectural lighting. His works from his downtown studio in the charming riverside town of Portland, MI, with his wife, Mary and two children, Augustus and Ignatius.

Artist Statement

I like to think I'm one part Leonardo, one part Thomas Edison and one part Dale Chihuly. I'm constantly seeking to go in new directions artistically. I love to invent new techniques and styles, and to work with a talented group of craftspeople to turn the ideas into reality. I was trained as an engineer, but was never able to engineer, in earnest, working for industry. In 1999, I left the mainstream workforce behind forever, and am now embroiled in the constant excitement and struggle of the life of a full time artist. My studio is a hotbed of creative energy: growing, morphing, kindling collaborations with like-minded individuals with passions and aesthetics akin to my own.