The Shard

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Monthly Meetings

- 3rd Tuesday at 7 p.m.
- Evergreen Library 2601 N Arkansas

Useful Web Sites

Stained Glass Guild of Kansas stainedglassguild.tripod.com

Free Patterns www.duffdesigns.com

www.glassbooks.com.au/ catalogue.html

www.mosaicpatternsonline .com

www.ozarkstainedglass.biz

Publications www.glassartmagazine.com

Art Glass Month

April is Art Glass Month. No longer just a national event, Art Glass Month is now celebrated around the world.

Glass retailers, museums, libraries and art centers are sponsoring activities this month but the biggest event is Delphi Glass' Fifth Annual Online Art Glass Festival. Visit Delphi's web site and click on the Art Glass Festival link on the left side of the page. **www.delphiglass.com**

Win one of the Festival's prizes! It is easy to enter the contest. Just fill out the online form and attach a digital photo of the piece you are entering. All ages and skill levels are welcome. The design can either be original or from a published pattern. According to the contest rules, "Any art glass, mosaic or jewelry piece qualifies for entry." One entry per person. Sounds like fun! Oh, and don't forget to check out their annual bevel sale.

Art Glass Month was started by the Art Glass Association as a way to promote awareness of the art glass industry. The Art Glass Association is the largest association in the world that is dedicated to the business of art glass and related supplies. Membership ranges from the hobbyist to the manufacturer. For more information about this organization, visit their web site www.artglassassociation. com.

Even QVC is celebrating. This quote is from



their Collectors Corner eNewsletter, "April is **International Art Glass** Month...To commemorate this event, we've put together our own collection of art glass that epitomizes the reasons this craft is so revered. When you think about the craftsmanship that goes into each piece of Fenton art glass or Tiffany-style lamp, you can't help but admire the real beauty behind these exquisite pieces."

Meeting News

April's meeting is on the 18th. We are in for a treat this month as we watch a demonstration given by Karen Russell on using DiamondCrete. Karen and her husband own DiamondCrete.

Bring your fan to the meeting, or wherever you

are in the project. We'd like to see what you've done so far.

Suzanne Hamilton Mies is providing the treats this month. And thanks to Rose Anne Frey for making the coffee.

Have questions about

Joy & Audie Ammons' recent Tiffany lamp building demonstration at Beardens? Jan Lister, Bud Thornton and Suzanne Hamilton Mies attended the event.

In May, only 2006 Guild members will receive this newsletter.

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STAINED GLASS GUILD OF KANSAS



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Hot Glass

Hot Glass Horizons is a biannual conference offering cuttingedge classes in a variety of hot glass, kiln-forming, glass fusing, casting, pate-de-verre, glass blowing and glass painting techniques. *Everyone from beginners to professionals are welcome*. Held in the Spring in Corning, New York, and Portland, Oregon, in the Fall. April 26th-29th are the dates for Corning this year. Call 503-538-5281 for more information. www.hotglasshorizons.com

Classes

Beardens

Upcoming classes are Painting & Firing with Doug Bozeman; Modern Design with Artists In The Attic; Beadmaking; Stained Glass: Beginning, Intermediate & Better Techniques; Sandblasting with Sterling Sowers: 101 & Advanced.

City Arts

Classes through August are Glass Blowing, Glass Casting, Kiln Work Glass Jewelry (create glass cabochons with the techniques of fusing, slumping and enameling), Mosaic Stained Glass, Silversmithing and Youth Stained Glass for ages 8-12. www.wichitaarts.com

Glass With...

Vicki Payne's show *Glass With Vicki Payne* can still be seen on digital cable, channel 218 at 1 p.m. on Saturdays. In January, the name of channel 218 changed to American Public Television Create. It is public television's first digital channel.

Episodes of *Glass With Vicki Payne* can be purchased by calling 800-332-8427 extension 106, or by ordering online. www.foryourhome.com

Save \$\$\$

New Patterns

The Stained Glass Garden: Projects & Patterns is due out this month, with beautiful pieces for the garden. Pre-order a copy at Amazon.com for \$12.97, regular retail is \$19.95. Also eligible for FREE Super Saver shipping.

Paned Expressions CDs

Retail for \$39. Timeless Tiffany, Inc. in Maryland currently has these pattern cds listed on their website for \$19.95 to \$21.99. If you've wanted to buy them, now is the time to do it. Call the shop at 410-398-6604. They are closed Sunday, Monday & Tuesday. Or order online at www.timelesstiffany.com

Tips

Plating

Try to remove all excess flux, dirt, grease and glue by cleaning and washing thoroughly. Clean pieces save time and plating is more successful.

Keep in mind that using leaded or iridescent glass can cause the glass to be plated.

Items with lacquer on them, such as instruments, bows, and other attachments, will plate poorly or won't plate at all.

Well soldered joints and jump rings will help pieces to hold their shape in the plating process, and help prevent loss of time due to soldering repair.

For Sale

New, Unopened

Due to moving, Connie Smith must sell her new, unopened equipment and supplies. She will take \$200 for the lot, and her number is 620-584-4770. Included are: Weller 100 watt soldering iron & stand, running pliers, grozer/breaker pliers, glass cutter, 50/50 solder, black lead patina, flux & brush, finishing compound, foil and cutting oil (partial bottle due to spill).