

# 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.vitralesds.com.ar  
/serv041.htm

www.creativehands.com.sg

citrusglass.citrus-acid.com

www.pergamano.dk

/free%20patterns.htm

### Publications

www.mosaicmatters.co.uk

## Mosaics...You Look Mahvelous!

We all love mosaics. We've all done mosaics. But do we know everything there is to know about mosaics? Probably not. There is a wide variety of new products on the market that you might be interested in.

Want to add a special "something" to your next mosaic project? Van Gogh Glass is perfect for adding that little zing. It is glue chip glass painted on one side with up to three different colors of metallic automobile paint, then a final back coat to make it completely opaque. The result is a unique look with depth. Delphi Glass has excellent examples of this beautiful new glass on their website.

No matter what you are attaching your mosaic glass to, good adhesive is

a must. Literature will be at the meeting for the following adhesive products: Triolyse, Bonsal Ceramic Mastic, Hxtal, KOA 300, Kemxert, Lexel, Set 'N Stone, Mosaic Mercantile Glue, and Amazing GOOP. A **free sample** of Amazing GOOP is available upon request at their web site [www.amazinggoop.com](http://www.amazinggoop.com)

Mosaic Mercantile has a great Mosaic Extras section on their website. Try their Grouterizer to get an idea how tiles can look with different grout colors. Download free patterns. Read their FAQs. Test out their Tile Calculator. Look at their Links page. They have nice mosaic forms, especially the gecko. [www.mosaicmercantile.com](http://www.mosaicmercantile.com)

An interesting article to read is "The Recipe For

Better Concrete" by Readers' Digest Books. [archive.tri-cityherald.com/HOME/HOME/home39.html](http://archive.tri-cityherald.com/HOME/HOME/home39.html)

Cole Sonafrank's website has been online for years. He lists a multitude of mosaic links plus has posted a simple recipe for making your own mosaic mortar. He promotes soldering lead-free and lists his favorite lead-free products. [www.ptialaska.net/~sonafrnk](http://www.ptialaska.net/~sonafrnk)

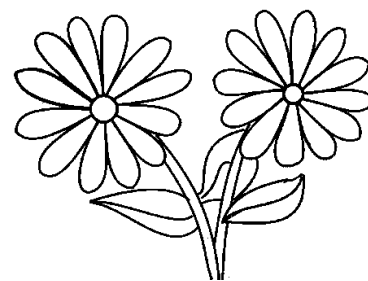
Garden Gems is Karen Russell's web site for her booth at the Kansas Renaissance Festival. She has some beautiful stones pictured for sale. She even has a page with a quick tutorial on how to make a stepping stone. Visit her website at [www.gardengemsonline.com](http://www.gardengemsonline.com)

## Meeting News

We will meet on the 20th at **6 p.m.** to pour stepping stones with the help of Karen Russell, co-owner of DiamondCrete.

Karen will have DiamondCrete, Candle Stone Plugs and a few pieces of Mosaic Mount available for sale. She will also

bring the dropcloths and mixing bowls. **YOU** must bring your pattern, glass (it must already be cut to fit your pattern), stepping stone mold, Mosaic Mount and anything you are adding to your stone. We must be finished and cleaned up by 8:45 p.m. *Note*, this project is only



for a stone, *not* a bench.

Don't forget! We are making marblescopes in July.

## STAINED GLASS GUILD OF KANSAS



c/o Suzanne Hamilton Mies  
4444 S West St #55  
Wichita, KS 67217

## Free Demo

***Bench Making with Karen Russell***—Saturday, July 22nd, 10 a.m. at Beardens. Sign up for this free class.

## Classes

### ***Beardens***

Upcoming classes are Lamp-building with Susan Olson, Jewelry Fusing with Artists In The Attic, Wire Wrap Jewelry with Cindy Schwemmer, Mosaics with Rose Bunton, 1 Day Leading, Stained Glass: Beginning & Better Techniques, Sandblasting with Sterling Sowers: 101 & Advanced.  
[www.rayersinc.com](http://www.rayersinc.com)

### ***City Arts***

In July, take Kiln Work: Glass Jewelry. [www.wichitaarts.com](http://www.wichitaarts.com)

### ***Botanica***

#### ***The Wichita Gardens***

Not just a source of inspiration, Botanica also offers classes. One class taking place once a month this summer is Stepping Stones. "A fun assortment of materials will be available for you to create your own 9" stone. \$10 registration fee, \$8 members. To register, contact Helen at 264-0448." Sound like fun. Let us know if you take this class.

## Plating, etc.

Barry Z. Masser is the author of *Introduction to Glass Plating* and *The Book on Glass Plating*. His company Plated Glass Designs has announced three upcoming plating workshops in Seattle set for August, October and November. Each workshop lasts for two days and costs \$250. Special hotel rates are available. [glasslayering@comcast.net](mailto:glasslayering@comcast.net)  
[www.glassplating.com](http://www.glassplating.com)

You asked at the last meeting. Bud Thornton had his electroplating done at **River City Plating**, 1933 N Topeka, 316-262-5220.

## Beautiful!

### ***The Association of Stained Glass Lamp Artists***

The 2007 calendar lamp submissions are now posted for viewing at the ASGLA website. Their members are so talented. And their photographer really does an excellent job.  
[www.asgla.com](http://www.asgla.com)

### ***The British Museum: The Art of Glass***

Go halfway around the world and take a virtual tour.  
[www.thebritishmuseum.ac.uk](http://www.thebritishmuseum.ac.uk)

## County Fairs

What is the perfect way to showcase your stained glass talent? **Enter a piece in the Sedgwick County Fair, of course!** This year's fair is being held July 6th-8th in Cheney. Open Class Stained Glass is listed under Fine Arts. Check-in is Wednesday, July 7th from 6-9 p.m. and Thursday, July 8th from 8-10 a.m. Judging is Thursday at 10:30 a.m. Only one entry allowed in each class by the same exhibitor. First place is awarded \$2, Second place gets \$1 and Third place receives 75¢. Obviously we're not doing it for the money. We just want to WIN!

And don't forget the fairs in the surrounding counties.

**Reno County**—Hutchinson  
July 22nd to 27th

**Kingman County**—Kingman  
July 27th to 31st

**Butler County**—El Dorado  
July 29th to August 2nd

**Cowley County**—Wellington  
August 3rd to 7th

**Harvey County**—Newton  
August 4th to 8th

**Sumner County**—Caldwell  
August 9th to 12th