

The Shard

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Monthly Meetings

- 1st Monday at 7 p.m.
- Evergreen Library
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Suggestions?

• Newsletter & Website

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Jack O' Lanterns

Pumpkin carving patterns can be used for stained glass, but don't forget that it works the other way, too. Use your stained glass patterns to carve a fantastic pumpkin.

Carving Steps

Pick a pumpkin without nicks or soft spots. A flat side is easier to carve on.

Make a lid by cutting a wide circle around the stem. Scrape the seeds and goo out of the pumpkin. Save the seeds to roast later. Dry the outside surface of the pumpkin.

Tape your paper pattern onto the pumpkin. You may need to notch the paper to make the pattern lay down smoother. To transfer the pattern to the pumpkin, use something to push through the paper into the pumpkin skin. These holes will be the

cutting outline on the pumpkin. Finer details require a smaller poking tool. Items to consider using are an awl, small nail, push pin, or a pumpkin carving tool set. Following the lines on the pattern, push holes into the pumpkin about every 1/8th of an inch. When finished, remove the paper pattern, keeping it nearby to refer to while cutting. Use a pumpkin carving saw to carefully saw along the poked lines. If your holes are difficult to see, a powdered substance such as flour can be used to highlight the holes.

When finished, illuminate your pumpkin with a candle or battery operated light. If using a candle, carve a heat vent hole in the lid. Put the candle in the pumpkin, light the candle, put the lid on, wait a minute, take the lid off and cut the vent hole in the

newly blackened area.

Pumpkin Carving Videos

www.pumpkin carvingworld.com/videos/index.html

At www.youtube.com, type in PUMPKINSHOP and three videos will be listed. Watch in order: Transferring Stencil, Sawing Hole, and Carving Layers.

Free Patterns & Tips

www.pumpkinmasters.com

www.pumpkinlady.com

www.carvingpumpkins.com

Want to carve finer details? Local retailers sell the Dremel Cordless Pumpkin Carving Tool. At www.dremel.com/en-US/projects-and-community

click on Projects, then Decorative Projects. Dremel calls their free patterns templates.

Meeting News

See you on Monday the 1st to finish working on our mosaic pieces for the Steve Irwin Mosaic Tribute. Please bring your own drink and a snack to share with the group.

Also at the meeting, Roberta Yaverski will demonstrate how to make a mosaic candle shelter. We

will then make this candle shelter as our November project.

We are still looking for a new meeting location. If you find a good spot, call for prices and available dates. We need a good location for working on projects. Plenty of electrical outlets, tables and chairs.

No carpet on the floor. Running water is necessary. Glass supplies are heavy to carry, so we also want convenient parking and no stairs. And if we are working on a big project, we want to be able to stay until 9:30 or 10 p.m. Storage for our supplies would be nice. We need the new place starting in January.



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Tips

Grinding Tips

The Association of Stained Glass Lamp Artists web site has a good list of tips on grinding posted by the members. These tips are divided into sections On Bits, On Direction, On Grinding Sequence, and Helpful Grinding Tips.
www.asgla.com/chatgroupdialog/grinding.html

Signatures

The Association of Stained Glass Lamp Artists web site also has a good list of suggestions for signing your pieces.
www.asgla.com/chatgroupdialog/signature.html

Beardens

Classes

Beginning Stained Glass; Better Techniques; Sandblasting 101 & Advanced; Advanced Stepping Stone; Mosaics; Beadmaking; Wrap Jewelry; Intermediate Fusing, Slumping & Draping; Fused Christmas Cookies; Lamp Building; Dimensional Nativity Building; Angel Building; Animal Portrait Painting.

Call first for availability at the free Stained Glass Workshop on Wednesday evenings. Sandblasting lab time is available with Sterling for a fee.

Free Patterns

Holidays and Seasons

www.craftideas.info/html/patterns.html

Buy Patterns

McMow Direct

McMow Direct has many items for sale that are sold at other retailers. And then they have some exclusive items listed. Under Stained Glass Supplies, Books & Patterns, click on McMow Patterns to see 27 original patterns. Also under Stained Glass Supplies is a Wrought Iron Candle Light frame, in both 3.5" and 6" sizes. And they are selling a new patented straight edge called the McMow Sure Score, currently on sale for \$19.95.
www.mcmowdirect.com

Contest

Vicki Payne

Vicki Payne's website states: "Create your own projects using Vicki Payne's Pre-Cut Glass Panel and Sun Catcher kits! The most innovative project submitted to us will win a set of Vicki Payne Signature hand tools, valued at \$265, as well as a feature on the Glass with Vicki Payne show!"

www.cutterstv.com/GWVP-Contest.html

Puzzle

Paned Expressions

How fun! An interactive stained glass crossword puzzle. Don't forget, a new free pattern is posted monthly. And a new pattern cd is now for sale called Orient Express...ions. The patterns on this cd are gorgeous.
www.panedexpressions.com/puzzle/

The Score

Happy 25th

The Score has been in production for 25 years now. Issue 100 is available to download for free and in color at the Spectrum Glass website. Check with Beardens to see if they have in stock the new black and white issue with patterns included.
www.spectrumglass.com

