

NANCY WEISSER

Nancy Weisser is an award-winning multimedia artist with a focus on glass since 1980. She has created many artworks for exhibitions and private collections. Her work spans a wide range of diverse styles and forms including installation, sculpture, vessels and 2 dimensional artworks. Specializing in kilnformed glass Nancy is recognized for her originality and finely finished works. Nancy is known not only as a skilled and distinguished artist but also as an outstanding educator and entrepreneur. She owns and operates a successful glass business that includes a gallery, a teaching studio, supply house, and artist studio.

Nancy studied fine art at University of Pittsburgh and Studio Arts at Indiana University of Pennsylvania. Shortly after moving to the Washington DC area in the late seventies Nancy began working with glass. As owner of Weisser Glass Studio, one of the original teaching studios in the area Nancy has made a substantial contribution to the dynamic growth of the Washington DC glass community.

She has continued her studies of the arts over the years with many well known artisans in a variety of disciplines, and sponsors master classes with guest instructors at her studio.



Education

1975- Fine Arts, University of Pittsburgh

1976-1978 –Studio Arts, Indiana University of Pennsylvania

Additional studies with distinguished artists including: Paul Stankard, Albinus Elkus, Brent Key Young, Doug Anderson, Anna Boothe, Loren Stump, Roger Thomas, Kathleen Sheard, Avery Anderson, Johnathon Schmuck, Alicia Lomne, Joanne Teasdale, Matthew Szsoz, Kari Minnick and Keke Cribbs

Teaching Experience

Nancy has taught hundreds of classes in her Kensington Md studio over the years as well as assisting many of her guest instructors. She has also acted as teaching assistant for Alicia Lomne at Pilchuck, Joanne Teasdale at Corning and Kari Minnick at the Pittsburgh Glass Center. She has also been a guest instructor at Ed Hoy's International in Warrenville, IL and Stouffer Studios in Bulverde, Texas.

Selected Exhibitions

February 2019, Grand Reopening Celebration, L Ross Gallery, Memphis, TN

September 2018, Experimental; Devotion to Discovery, Spolo Retrospective exhibition, Artists and makers gallery, Rockville, MD

July 2018, Connection; Shaping Glass, Invitational Exhibit, Mac icehouse gallery, Berkeley Springs, West Virginia

June 2017, Embracing Narrative, invitational exhibition, Portsmouth Art & Cultural Center, Portsmouth, VA

June 2017, Gas member juried exhibit, Glass Wheel Studio, Norfolk, VA

May 2016, Reflections, group exhibit, Byrne Gallery, Middleburg, VA

November 2015, Space, Structure and Light, Invitational Exhibit, Silvermine Art Center, New Canaan, CT

November 2015, Artomatic, Installation, Hyattsville, MD

June 2015, Creative Crafts Council 30th Biennial Exhibit, The Mansion at Strathmore, Rockville, MD

June 2015, Rhythms in Glass, Invitational Exhibit, Jacksonville Art Center, Floyd, VA

June 2014, The Grace of Craft, Invitational Exhibit, Washington Artworks Gallery, Rockville, MD

April 2014, The Secret Life of Glass, Glenview Mansion, Rockville, MD

December 2012, Fragility, Kramer Gallery, two person show, Silver Spring, MD

February 2012, Allude, Weisser Gallery, Kensington, MD

November 2010, Excavate: Unearthing the Artist, Weisser Gallery, Kensington, MD

September 2010, Intersect Glass Meets Art, Ratner Museum, Bethesda, MD

June 2010, Synergy, Solo Exhibition, Weisser Gallery, Kensington, MD

March 2010, Generations in Glass, Glenview Mansion Gallery, Rockville, MD

February 2010, Waverly Street Gallery, Bethesda, MD

January 2010, Evolve, Weisser Gallery, Kensington, MD

December 2009, Watergate Gallery, Washington, DC

October 2009, Echo, Installation Show, Annemarie Garden Sculpture Park and Gallery, Solomons, MD

May 2009, Creative Crafts Council 27th Biennial Exhibition, The Mansion at Strathmore, Bethesda, MD, Awarded First Place in Glass

November 2008, Celebrations: Art Glass Exhibit, Annemarie Garden Sculpture Park and Gallery, Solomons, MD

Selected Exhibitions continued

October 2008, Reflections, American Craftworks Collection, Annapolis, MD

September 2008, Glass Evolving, Metropolitan Center for the Visual Arts, Rockville, MD

August 2008, The Green Side of Glass, Arts Afire Gallery, Alexandria, VA

May 2007, Creative Crafts Council 26th Biennial Exhibition, The Mansion at Strathmore, Bethesda, MD

May 2006, The Myriad Forms of Glass, Arts Afire Gallery, Alexandria, VA

September 2005, Artisans United, Invitational guild exhibition Artisans Center of Virginia, Waynesboro, VA

November 2004, Artomatic, Washington, DC

October 2004, Behind the Studio Door, group exhibition for current and former students and educators of Weisser Glass Studio, Kensington, MD

July 2003, Legacy, Invitational exhibit, Bullseye Connection Gallery, Portland, OR

April 2003, Outside the Box, Group exhibition for members of the National Capitol Art Glass Guild, Vienna, VA

February 2003, Circle of Life, Creative Crafts Council, The Mansion at Strathmore, Bethesda, MD, Awarded First Place in Glass

June 2002, Artists Screens: Contemporary Perspectives, Invitational exhibit, Eleven Eleven Sculpture Space, Washington, DC

November 2001, Glassworks: New Fusion, Three woman show, Chesapeake Gallery, Bel Air, MD

October 2001, Hot and Cool: Contemporary Glass, Invitational exhibit, Art Institute and Gallery, Salisbury, MD

August 2001, Colorburst, Group exhibition for members of the National Capitol Art Glass Guild, Vienna, VA

January 2001, The Ebb and Flow of Nature, Juried exhibit for the Creative Crafts Council, The Mansion at Strathmore, Bethesda, MD

March 1998, Fire, Color and Light, Group exhibit of seven artists, Dundalk Gallery, Dundalk, MD, participant and curator



Awards and Honors

2017, juror, Hot Glass exhibition, Cumberland, MD

2011, juror, 28th biennial Creative Crafts Council exhibition, Strathmore Hall

2010, juror, 2010 Congressional Art Competition

2009, Awarded First Place in Glass, Creative Crafts Council 27th Biennial Exhibition, The Mansion at Strathmore, Bethesda, MD

2003, First Place in Glass, Circle of Life, juried exhibit for the Creative Crafts Council, The Mansion at Strathmore, Bethesda, MD

Publications

2011, Writer for Glass Craftsman Magazine

May 2010, New Glass Review: Corning Museum of Glass

November 2009, Gazzette.net, interview

2007, Glass Craftsman Magazine, Feature Article