

Workshops and courses – Fall 2020 (Part 2)

Welcome to Glasstronomy Studios' learning program. This calendar outlines *in Studio* and *Zoom* remote workshops and courses offered during November and December 2020. *Registration opens Friday, October 23, 2020.*

Levels of experience

Glasstronomy Studios hosts workshops for glass enthusiasts with varying levels of experience. Our workshop calendar includes something for everyone. Most of our membership levels qualify for discounts on our workshops and courses. Each workshop has a unique number assigned to it that also indicates the level of experience required. Please consider these designations when you register:

G – general — all levels welcome

B – beginner level (no glass cutting experience required)

I – intermediate level — must know how to safely handle standard glass tools

A – advanced level — must have participated in an applicable Studio intermediate level workshop or course

ZL – *Zoom* remote learning

Payment registration: To register, we currently accept payment in person (cash, Debit, MasterCard and Visa), by email (ettransfer), or by phone (MasterCard and Visa). Please note that HST will be added to the listed fee at time of payment.

Cancellation policy: A Studio credit will be issued for cancellations up to 48 hours before start date. We regret that Studio credits will not be issued under the 48-hour threshold. Studio credits can be applied to a future purchase of a workshop or course.

Studio safety: Participants are required to wear a mandated face covering in Studio and to practice rigorous hygiene. Work space has been allocated to ensure safe physical distancing. If you are feeling unwell, please don't enter the space. You are welcome to use our tools and can sanitize them before and after use.

Zoom learning: If you are not ready to join us in Studio, we have several offerings for those of you who have a home studio.

COVID-19 health measures: Markham is currently in a “modified Stage 2” which means we can continue *in Studio* learning *. **Please follow Public Health Ontario's guidance:** 1. Stay home if unwell; 2. Sanitize hands on entering Studio and wash them frequently; 3. Wear mask and/or visor during time in Studio; 4. Maintain two-metre physical distancing; 5. Cough or sneeze into elbow. Should the province and municipality adopt more restrictive measures, our *in Studio* learning has been developed to pivot to *Zoom* learning.

* Your name and contact information may be shared with Public Health Ontario for contact tracing purposes.

Workshops

G252ZL

Fusing fun: Modeling glass ornaments

Saturday, November 7, 2020, from 10 to 11 am

Fee: \$30 + HST + Materials kit (optional) + Firing (optional)

Optional

Fee: \$80 + HST | Materials kit (96 COE glass powders and accessories, Glass Bird Modeling Glass Starter Kit, highfire wire)

Fee: \$15 + HST | Firing (7-inch x 7-inch tile with Thin fire separator)

No experience required.

Can you turn glass into clay? Absolutely! Using Glass Bird Modeling Glass binders we can transform glass powder into a malleable clay-like material that can be shaped, carved, layered, and fired. Join us on *Zoom* and learn the tips and tricks to these adorable ornaments. Don't have a home studio? You can purchase the kits to make these safely at home and drop them off for firing! Great gift ideas for your holiday gift giving. Fun for the whole family.



I417

Intermediate fusing: Star of wonder

Saturday, November 7, 2020, from 1 to 4 pm

Fee: \$175 + HST (96 COE clear glass and frit and project firing included) + Dichroic glass (optional)

Beginner fusers are welcome.

Glass cutting experience required.

You may have admired this unique piece in our Studio over past holidays and have been wishing upon a star to make your very own 16-inch diameter version. Now's your chance! Using a combination of 96 COE fusible clear glass and frit, learn how to solve the geometric puzzle that is this dynamic window piece. For those of you who love some extra sparkle, bring your clear backed dichroic glass and add extra sparkle to your heart's content!



G253ZL

Fusing fun demo: Bubbles galore!

Saturday, November 14, 2020, from 10 to 11 am

Fee: \$30 + HST

Melanie has finally made friends with bubbles! Join her for an hour of show and tell, bubble style. Embrace your inner mad scientist and learn how bubbles can be purposefully made to create everything from effervescence to full out globules. Who would have thought they could be sooo cute!



I418

Fusing deep: Cast tree blocks

Saturdays, November 14 and 21, 2020, from 1 to 4 pm

Fee: \$275 + HST (includes all materials and firings) + Display kit (optional)

Optional

Fee: \$80 + HST | Display kit (shadow box, two sets of miniature battery operated string lights, batteries)

This dynamic contemporary tree scape trio is both reversible and interchangeable. Using 96 COE glass, duraboard and durafibre, participants will learn how to stack and wrap glass to fire to a 1-1/2-inch thickness. Add some extra pizzazz with dichroic inclusions. Hole drilling and cold working will also be covered.



G254ZL

Fusing fun: Holiday mad plaid

Saturday, November 21, 2020, from 10 to 11 am

Fee: \$30 + HST + Stringer kit (optional) + Firing (optional)

Optional

Fee: \$60 + HST | Stringer kit (blue family, warm family, green family, and clear COE 96 stringers)

Fee: \$35 + HST | Firing of 10-inch x 11-inch tile and thin fire paper

This plaid has definitely gone mad! But what holiday doesn't come with a little craziness?! Challenge yourself to create the designs you see in the online tutorial and make these intricate ornaments for your most valued family and friends. Using the colour family mixes of 96 COE stringers you will learn the how to make linear and curved shapes. Firing schedules will also be covered.



G255

Fusing fun: Vitrigraph candy canes

Saturday, November 28, 2020, pick your time slot: 10 am, 10:30 am, 11 am, or 11:30 am (four time slots only)

Fee: \$50 + HST

Hot, hot, hot, but fun, fun, fun! Reserve a time slot for some vitrigraph candy cane making. Come and twist the whole pot and take home the spoils to decorate the tree, gifts or other glass projects. Safe preparation and handling of the vitrigraph kiln will also be covered.



I419

Fusing fun: Photo frame cut outs

Saturday, November 28, 2020, from 1 to 4 pm

Fee: \$150 + HST (includes 96 COE white base glass, character glass, glass accessories, and project firing)

These hilariously fun character cutouts are sure to be the most talked about gift or décor item this holiday season. Learn how to drill holes into the middle of your solid glass piece background and then create your playful costume surround. Participants will receive a pattern set of three designs and will make one during this three-hour workshop. Make the rest at home or during Studio time and have the complete set!



I420

Stained glass technique: Bevel beauties

Thursdays, December 3 and 10, 2020, from 7 to 10 pm

Fee: \$195 + HST

Optional

Fee: \$110 + HST | Materials kit (bevels, twisted wire, copper sheet foil, alcohol ink, dichroic glass, and mini holiday ornaments)

Soldering experience necessary.

Make five different project pieces.



I420ZL

Thursdays, December 3 and 10, 2020, from 7 to 8 pm

Fee: \$60 + HST + Materials kit (optional) + Solder, copper foil, and chemicals

Bevels have always offered a faceted finish to your soldered holiday creations. Now add plating, painting, and floating to your repertoire and upscale the possibilities. During this two-session workshop, participants will learn how to plate their bevels with dichroic glass, apply alcohol ink, and fill a soldered vessel with fluid and inclusions that will be permanently sealed!

I421ZL

Fusing technique: Mini Morton fused snowflakes

Saturday, December 5, 2020, from 10 to 11 am

Fee: \$30 + HST + Materials kit (optional) + Firing (optional)

Optional

Fee: \$30 + HST | Materials kit (96 COE clear and clear luster sheet glass, highfire wire, durafibre)

Fee: TBD + HST | Firing (fees are based on quantity and will be determined upon delivery)

Swarovski had better watch out! These sparkling embossed snowflake ornaments are made simple with the Morton System's easy shape cutting process. During this Zoom lesson, learn how to properly set up the cutting bar to make and replicate a diamond rhombus as well as how to achieve *bas relief* using durafibre. Firing schedules will be included.



I422

Fusing fun: Rudolph the red-nosed reindeer stake

Saturday, December 5 and 12, 2020, from 1 to 4 pm

Fee: \$345 + HST (all materials and project firings included) + Custom stake (optional)

Optional

Fee: TBD + HST | Firings (contact Melanie for quote)

Fee: \$50 + HST | Pre-made nose

Fee: \$85 + HST | Custom stake

I422ZL

Saturday, December 5 and 12, 2020, from 1 to 2 pm

Fee: \$245 + HST (glass package included) + Custom stake (optional) + Pre-made nose (optional) + Firings (optional)

Santa's star reindeer is a holiday classic and our version will be a seasonal favourite! The latest in our seasonal stake series has been engineered to hold an LED light behind the protruding luminous red nose. It's sure to guide Santa's sleigh straight to your doorstep! During this two-session workshop, participants will tackle drop ring firing as well as dangling holiday lights.



G256

Fusing fun: Holiday lace

Saturday, December 12, 2020, from 10 am to 12 pm

Fee: \$80 + HST

Optional

Fee: \$50 + HST | Firings (build at home and return for firing kit and shelf/tool rental)

Beginners are welcome.



G256ZL

Saturday, December 12, 2020, from 10 to 11 am

Fee: \$30 + HST + Firings (*optional*)

Snow crystals are unique formations of frozen water and the inspiration for these unique, flake-like creations. Whether used as a candleholder or table centerpiece, they will add a delicate look to your holiday décor. Using 96 COE glass and the rules of glass volume, participants can follow along at home or in Studio and make either a lacy light or bowl to enjoy.

Course

A423

Advanced fusing: Fused Advent calendar

Thursdays, November 5, 12, 19, and 26, 2020, from 7 to 10 pm

Fee: \$369 + HST (includes all materials, frame, and project firings)

Optional

Fee: \$80 + HST | Firings

Fee: \$11.99 + HST | Glassline paint deluxe tip applicator set



A423ZL

Thursdays, November 5, 12, 19, and 26, 2020, from 7 to 8 pm

Fee: \$239 + HST (includes 96 COE glass, Glassline paint, frame, metals) + Glass powders and frit, Glastac + Firings (*optional*) + Glassline paint deluxe tip applicator set (*optional*)

We could not let the Holidays go by this year without marking the days with the windows of our lives. Whether from your home studio via *Zoom* or in our safe practice Studio, create this nostalgic interactive keepsake full of your favourite painted characters and symbols to reveal as you count down the days to celebration. Focusing primarily on glass painting, this four-week course will bring out the kid in you as you build the scenes of your fancy (patterns and templates available for more timid designers). The project also introduces our unique fused glass hinging technique. And, yes, the windows actually open! What's behind the curtains of your holiday house?



Upcoming members' events:

M2020-18

Sunday, November 22, 2020, from 1 to 3 pm

Zoom | Vegan cooking with Sylvia Fantin

Join fellow member, Sylvia Fantin, for an afternoon of healthy cooking. Get some inspiration on what you can add to your food repertoire.

M2020-19

Saturday, December 19, 2020, starts at 7 pm

Holiday caravan | Tour of lights

Join us on a physically distanced tour of festive lights. It's a great way to get into the holiday spirit and be part of our own parade!

For more information or to register:

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