



## Beginner courses – 2025 | Preview

**Welcome to Glasstronomy Studios' learning program.** This calendar highlights in person courses offered to beginners from January to October 2025. *Registration is now open.*

### Levels of experience

**Glasstronomy Studios hosts learning activities for glass enthusiasts with varying levels of experience.** This calendar edition is customized for individuals who have no experience or those seeking to enhance their skills. While most of our membership levels qualify for discounts on our workshops, courses, and tutorials, you *do not* need to be a member to participate. Each session has a unique number assigned to it that also indicates the level of experience required. Please consider this designation when you register:

**B** – beginner level (no glass cutting experience required)

**Payment registration:** To register, we currently accept payment in person (cash, Debit, MasterCard, and Visa), by email (e-transfer), 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.

**Location:** Glasstronomy Studios is easily accessible by transit and car with plenty of on-site parking. We are a fully equipped, spacious ground floor art studio staffed with industry professional instructors.

**The fine print:** First time participants will be required to review and acknowledge our Studio waiver.

## Courses

### B209

*Beginner/Intermediate stained glass:*

*Copper foil technique*

**When: Thursdays, January 9, 16, 23, and 30, 2025, from 7 to 10 pm**

**Fee: \$325 + HST**



**Cross off that bucket list item and dive into the enchanting world of stained glass!** Perfect for aspiring artists and DIY enthusiasts, you will learn the copper foil technique and create a stunning 10-inch round framed panel that showcases your creativity and craftsmanship.

During this four-evening beginner course, each session combines instruction, demonstration, and hands-on practice, ensuring that you leave with a beautiful piece of art and newfound skills. Whether you are looking to start a new hobby or simply explore your creative side, this course is designed for beginners of all ages.

Join us for an inspiring journey into stained glass art and take home a beautiful 10-inch round panel that reflects your personal style. *Sign up today and let your creativity shine!*

#### *What you will learn:*

- **Introduction to stained glass:** Discover the history and basics of stained glass art, including types of glass and tools needed for the craft.
- **Copper foil technique:** Master the copper foil method, a versatile and popular approach that allows for intricate designs and clean lines.
- **Design and planning:** Select from several patterns, focusing on colour selection and layout.
- **Cutting glass:** Learn essential glass cutting skills, including how to safely and accurately cut and shape a large selection of stained glass for your project.
- **Foiling and soldering:** Gain hands-on experience in applying copper foil and solder to create a cohesive panel.
- **Framing your art:** Finish your piece with a 10-inch metal ring, ready to display in your home or gift to someone special.

## B236

*Beginner glass fusing:  
Jewellery, dishes,  
tealights and more!*

**When: Thursdays, March  
6, 13, 20, and 27, 2025,  
from 7 to 10 pm**

**Fee: \$495 + HST**



**Join us for a four-evening exploration into the vibrant world of glass fusing.** This hands-on beginner course is designed for those eager to learn the fundamentals of this captivating art. Over the span of four evenings, you will create stunning glass pieces, including unique jewellery, elegant dishes, enchanting landscape pictures, and charming tealights.

Each session will include guided instruction, hands-on practice, and plenty of opportunities to experiment and refine your skills. By the end of the course, you'll leave with several finished pieces and the confidence to continue your glass fusing journey.

Whether you're looking for a new hobby, a fun night out, or a way to express your creativity, this course is perfect for beginners and art enthusiasts alike. *Sign up today and let your imagination shine through glass!*

### *What you will learn:*

- **Introduction to glass fusing:** Understand the basics of glass compatibility, tool usage, and safety best practices.
- **Design techniques:** Explore various design techniques to express your creativity, including layering, cutting, and shaping glass.
- **Jewellery making:** Create beautiful pendants or earrings, learning how to incorporate different colours and textures.
- **Dish creation:** Design and fuse a functional glass dish, perfect for showcasing your culinary treats.
- **Landscape picture:** Capture the beauty of nature by crafting a striking landscape piece using glass impasto and frittage techniques.
- **Tealight holder:** Create a cozy fused and draped tealight holder that adds warmth and ambiance to any space.

## B237

*Beginner/Intermediate stained glass:*

*Lead came technique*

**When: Thursdays, May 8, 15, 22, and 29, 2025, from 7 to 10 pm**

**Fee: \$325 + HST**



**Embark on a creative journey with our four-evening beginner course in stained glass using the traditional lead came technique.** This course is perfect for those eager to learn the artistry of stained glass while creating a beautiful, framed panel that can enhance any space.

Each session includes guided instruction, demonstrations, and ample time for hands-on practice, ensuring you develop your skills and confidence as you create a stunning 8-inch x 10-inch stained glass panel.

Whether you're a complete beginner, a DIY enthusiast, or looking to expand your artistic repertoire, this course offers a supportive and inspiring environment. *Join us to bring your artistic vision to life and take home a beautiful piece of stained glass art that reflects your creativity!*

### *What you will learn:*

- **Introduction to stained glass:** Explore the history and fundamentals of stained glass art, including an overview of materials and tools.
- **Lead came technique:** Master the classic lead came method, which allows for sturdy construction, line symmetry, and precise geometric representation.
- **Design fundamentals:** Select from several different patterns, focusing on colour selection, composition, and the techniques to bring your panel to life.
- **Glass cutting skills:** Learn essential techniques for safely and accurately cutting and shaping coloured and textured glass pieces to fit your design.
- **Assembling your panel:** Gain hands-on experience in the lead came assembly process, including securing glass pieces, soldering and glazing.

## B238

*Beginner/Intermediate stained glass: Copper foil and lead combination technique*

**When: Thursdays, September 25, October 2, 9, 16, 23, and 30, 2025, from 7 to 10 pm**

**Fee: \$495 + HST**



Elevate your stained glass skills in this six-evening intermediate course, designed for beginners as well as those with some experience in glass art. Dive deeper into both copper foil and lead came techniques, and expand your creative repertoire by working on more complex projects that showcase your artistic vision.

Each session will feature guided instruction, hands-on practice, and constructive feedback, fostering a collaborative and inspiring environment. You'll leave with a completed 10-inch x 16-inch stained glass project that reflects your style and enhanced skills.

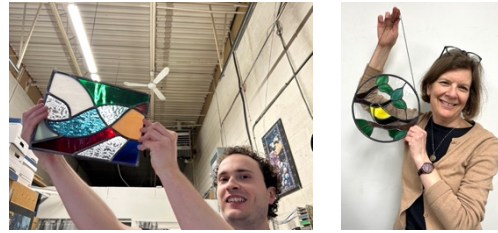
Join us for this enriching experience and take your stained glass artistry to the next level while connecting with fellow glass enthusiasts. *Sign up today to create stunning works of art that you can proudly display or gift!*

### *What you will learn:*

- **Advanced design principles:** Explore composition, colour theory, and how to create dynamic designs that harmonize both techniques.
- **Refining cutting skills:** Improve your glass cutting proficiency with advanced techniques and tips for achieving precise and intricate shapes.
- **Copper foil techniques:** Delve into more complex designs using copper foil, including copper overlay and wire work for greater detail and dimension.
- **Lead came techniques:** Master the nuances of lead came construction, learning how to add stability and framing to your stained glass panel.
- **Finishing techniques:** Learn the best practices for soldering, glazing, cleaning, polishing, and framing your pieces, ensuring a professional finish.

## The beginner experience:

*Classes are interesting and informative.  
Definitely check this place out — Ash L.*



*Such talented and experienced owners. Not only great teachers, but socially conscious. One can learn a lot about glass. There are different techniques for fused glass. Glasstronomy Studios offer workshops for fused glass and stained glass. They also have supplies for purchase. — Ingrid T.*

*Wonderful learning experience! [...] Melanie provided encouragement to each member. Basic lead techniques were introduced. I highly recommend taking her Beginner Course. — Ellen B.*



*Excellent place to learn and shop ...  
the "glass experience"!  
Knowledgeable, friendly and helpful. — Cheryl E.*

## For more information or to register:

If you have any questions about the 2025 beginner courses or are ready to register and secure your spot with payment, please contact us at the information provided below:

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