A TOUCH OF GLASS

Kitty Mose

You might never even notice it, unless you were looking for it. The gleam of bright glass and transparent conduits might remind you that this is another Instead would float, but walk a bit, you can find the glass. You can find pieces everywhere, from the smallest glass in a household to the largest glass in a factory. That's because glass is everywhere.

The rising interest in the kiln shaping art form has brought a new life to the glass industry. Kiln shaping, also known as kiln carving, is a technique that involves shaping glass in the kiln after it has been fused. This technique requires skill and patience, and the results can be stunning.

The process begins with a piece of glass being heated until it reaches its melting point. The glass is then shaped into the desired form using various tools and techniques. The kiln is then turned off and the glass is allowed to cool slowly, allowing the piece to take on its final shape.

Kitty Mose, a renowned kiln shaper, explains the importance of patience and attention to detail in the kiln shaping process. "It's all about attention to detail," she says. "You have to be patient and keep an eye on the piece as it cools, making sure it doesn't warp or crack."

The kiln shaping process is not without its challenges. The kiln can be temperamental, and it's important to monitor the temperature and heat distribution to ensure the piece is shaped correctly. However, with the right tools and techniques, the results can be beautiful.

Mose has been kiln shaping for over 30 years. "It's a perfect job for me," she says. "I love the creativity and the challenge of it. Each piece is different, and I get to see my vision come to life."

Whether you're an expert or a beginner, kiln shaping is a rewarding and satisfying art form. With the right tools and techniques, anyone can create stunning pieces of glass art. So why not give it a try? You might be surprised by what you can create. 

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**Events**

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**Museums & Galleries**

- **LA JULIET CHAPMAN:** Paintings from the Chapman Foundation. Exhibit at the Los Angeles County Museum of Art. October 24 - November 30.
- **FREDERICK KENWORTHY:** Sculpture at the Berkshire Museum. October 21 - December 31.

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**Music**

- **LA JOLLA CHAMBER ORCHESTRA:** Chamber music concert. October 25, 8 PM, at the La Jolla Playhouse. Tickets available at the box office.

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**Sports**

- **SAN DIEGO PADRES:** Home game against the San Francisco Giants. October 27, 7 PM, at Qualcomm Stadium. Tickets available at the box office.

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**Theatre**

- **THE LION KING:** Musical by Disney Theatrical Group. October 24 - October 30, at the San Diego Civic Theatre. Tickets available at the box office.

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**Special Events**

- **SPINNING REEL:** Filmmaker festival. October 25, 6 PM, at the San Diego Museum of Art. Admission free for museum members.

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**Special Events**

- **SUNSET MOTORCITY CAR SHOW:** October 26 - October 27, at Balboa Park. Admission $10 for adults, free for children under 12.

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**Films**

- **WELL, WHAT'S NEXT?** October 24, 8 PM, at the Balboa Theatre. Directed by John Landis.

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**Lectures & Readings**

- **CRAIG HARRIS:** Lecture on contemporary art. October 25, 7 PM, at the La Jolla Public Library. Free admission.

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**Dance**

- **SAN DIEGO DANCE THEATRE:** Performance at the California Center for the Arts, October 25, 8 PM. Tickets available at the box office.

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