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Why I Recommend Mid-Missouri Artists

MMA is a very well organized and run artist organization! I live in the KC metro, so I can't make it to the monthly meetings, but my husband and I have participated in the Spring Fine Arts Shows and the month-long Summer Exhibitions at the University of Central Missouri Gallery for several years. We also did a presentation about our art at one of the monthly meetings. MMA members are friendly and welcoming and take every opportunity to support and promote the artists.

- Artwork is for sale
- Accepts commissions
- Available for workshops/presentations

BARB BYRNE

Lee's Summit, MO

ABOUT THE ARTISTS

CREATIVE INTEREST—Fused Glass

I am a juried member of Summit Art in Lee's Summit, MO and I am a juried member and the current President of The Best of Missouri Hands.

I began my journey into fused glass in 2009 when I took a class at a local community center and fell in love with the medium. I am always excited to see what happens when I place a piece in the kiln and the heat melts the glass into something new and wonderful.

I work primarily with fine glass powder, which I layer in stages onto clear sheet glass. I fire each piece after I apply a new layer of powder, so some of my pieces are fired anywhere from 4 – 12 times or more before I achieve my desired result.

Working with glass is often a time-consuming process, but I love watching my subjects slowly emerge as I take each step toward the final creation. Living on a large tract of acreage in the beautiful mid-Missouri countryside for many years deepened my connection to animals and nature. This connection blossomed into a love of creating animal portraits, wildlife pieces, and landscapes using the powders. I also create abstract glass art and pieces using enamels on glass. Working with glass powder, however, continues to be my passion and my main focus as I develop my body of work

PHOTO GALLERY



Ivory Majesty - 13"x16"
layered glass powder,
\$300.00



Lounging Leopard - 13"x16"
layered glass powder,
\$325.00



Feeding Time - 14"x14" layered
glass powder with hummingbird
embellishment, \$295.00



Coneflowers with Butterfly –
13"x16" layered glass
powder,
SOLD



Moonlit Silence, 7"x9"
layered glass powder on
iridescent glass, NFS



Cityscape - 14"x14"
dichroic glass abstract,
\$425.00