

GHOST RANCH



WELCOME LETTER

Course Name:

Fused Glass Vessels

Instructor:

Katrina Jameson

Start date: Sunday, October 11, 2020

End date: Saturday, October 17, 2020

Check In: Begins at Sunday, 3:00pm at the Welcome Center

Dinner at 5:30pm followed by Ranch Orientation at 6:45pm

We will meet briefly after the Orientation in our Cantina Classroom

Daily Workshop Schedule/Hours:

Monday through Thursday: We will have instruction in the mornings (9am-12pm) and presentation or open studio/work time in the afternoons (2:00pm-5:30pm). Students are encouraged to hike, explore the museums, enjoy a tour or trail ride or simply relax in the afternoons. Evenings are dark at Ghost Ranch in the fall, use caution after dinner.

Friday morning: We will wrap up and clean up before lunch. An all-Ranch Art Show will follow dinner.

Saturday morning: 10:00am checkout and departure

About your course:

I am so glad you registered for Fused Glass Vessels. We will have a creative week. Go beyond cutting and stacking glass for fusing; slump glass into bowls, fabricate boxes and drop glass into vases. This class is all about creating three-dimensional vessels out of fusible art glass. Candy dishes, soap dishes, boxes and vases. There will be time to add jewelry, nightlights and keyrings as well. Learn to cut and layer sheet glass as well as frit, powders and dichroic glass as well as slump into various molds to add depth and dimension. Build your masterpiece using multiple techniques and multiple firings. We will cover basic glass cutting skills as well as design and composition. Mornings will be spent learning new techniques with open studio time in the afternoon to put it all together.

This is a perfect class for beginners as well as those with some fused glass experience. Because of limited kiln space and time for firing, we will be making test tile size projects sized 5"X 5" and smaller with a larger final project. We will be using COE 96 compatible glass in sheet, frit, powder, stringer, dichroic and specialty glasses.

Items for you to bring:

- Closed toe shoes are required in the studio for your safety
- Covered water bottle to keep hydrated and avoid glass chips
- Safety glasses or your own eyeglasses/reading glasses will do, some are available
- NIOSH approved N95 or better dust mask, some are available
- Your favorite glass cutting tools if you have them
- An apron is nice to protect clothing during wet grinding
- Box and/or bubble wrap to take your creation(s) home
- Journal or sketchbook and a pen.

Items provided:

Ghost Ranch has all the basic tools and all the consumable supplies that you will need for the week. The cost of these materials is included in your registration fee. Additional specialty supplies for more advanced projects or to continue your new hobby at home will be available for purchase from your instructor. We will be using COE 96 compatible glass.

About the Instructor:

For more than 12 years, **Katrina Jameson** has created one of a kind jewelry and wall art with fusible art glass, recycled window glass and dichroic glass with unique inclusions. She continues to grow her jewelry making skills with new fused glass, silversmithing and lapidary techniques. Her hobby became a second career with Mariposa Treasures, LLC in September 2011. Katrina is a member of the Durango Art Center in Durango, CO. As part of the Dancing Spirit Community Art Center in Ignacio, CO; she taught children's art-as-therapy classes through their *Building Bridges through Art* program. She has taught Fused Glass and Silversmithing classes at Ghost Ranch for the past 8 years. Katrina also travels to eSwatini (Swaziland) as part of the [Freedom Fire Glass](#) mission team, teaching fused glass to create economic security for at-risk youth. Katrina's designs can be found online at www.MariposaTreasures.com; in Durango, Colorado at *Create Art and Tea*, and at *Marigold Gallery* on Canyon Road in Santa Fe, New Mexico.

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resources: <http://www.warmglass.com/>
<http://www.glass-fusing-made-easy.com/>
<http://www.glasscampus.com/>