Glass Gathering Meeting Minutes

01/14/17, 9:00 – 11:00 am, Generously hosted by Harmony Stained Glass, Pasadena, Texas

Events of this meeting were a general business meeting, Show and Tell and a presentation called "Set Yourself Apart – Discovering the Unexpected". 15 members and 2 guests (who both joined, thanks!) attended this meeting.

General Meeting

- Joanne Crull gave our year-end Treasurer's Report, which was accepted by the members. Due to her efforts, Glass Gathering completed its transition to a non-profit club during 2016.
- The group voted to accept a change to the bylaws, changing the officers' term in office from 1 year to 2 years. Currently the whole board runs in the same year.
- For our May art show, we want to increase promotion and bring in more traffic. We are also looking for lampworkers, so we can feature their work. Please give contact info to one of the officers if you know someone working in this style.
- Long-time member Chris Alexander is having a solo show titled
 "In the Out Door" at Mary Matteson-Parish Art Gallery at Lone
 Star College Montgomery, 3200 College Park Drive, Conroe,
 Texas 77384, Jan. 17- Feb. 11 2017.
 http://www.lonestar.edu/montgomery-artgallery.htm Stop by
 and see her work. Our February meeting is a field trip to see her show. We will meet at the
 gallery at 10:00 AM. Member Deborah Ellington was instrumental in helping Chris apply.
- Other upcoming meetings include March Painting on Silk (many of the same issues as painting on glass) and June Field trip to Kim Clark Renteria's studio. Travelers: check out Glass Craft and Bead Expo at the end of March in Las Vegas https://www.glasscraftexpo.com/ or the Corning Museum of Glass in New York http://www.glasscraftexpo.com/ or the Cleveland has some lovely glass. Thanks to Andrea and Rene for these tips during Show and Tell. A resource mentioned was the Hang Your Glass website http://www.hangyourglass.com/.
- Jenny and Bob Stein shared their adventures in making Christmas ornaments during Show and Tell. Joanne showed quilt square trees made from scrap glass (laying at the bottom right of the photo). Thanks to our many creative members who took the time to bring in and/or talk about their work.
- Our president, Rene Armstrong, presented an inspiring talk on setting your art apart from the crowd, featuring some amazing photos of glass artwork with uniqueness, twists and appeal.

Until next month, keep your kilns warm!