



## FACT SHEET

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### WHAT IS PITTSBURGH GLASS CENTER?

One of the top public access glass facilities in the U.S., Pittsburgh Glass Center is a nonprofit, glass studio and gallery dedicated to teaching, creating and promoting glass art. It was the vision of two Pittsburgh-based glass artists Kathleen Mulcahy and Ron Desmett.

Since opening in 2001, over two dozen glass artists have moved to Pittsburgh to live and work at the Center and nearly 5,000 students have taken classes at PGC from internationally renowned glass artists such as Walter Lieberman, Dante Marioni, Benjamin Moore, Stephen Rolfe Powell, Davide Salvadore, Susan Taylor Glasgow, Cesare Toffolo, Gianni Toso, and Karen Willenbrink among many others (a full list follows.) In the last five years, over 40,000 people have visited PGC to take a class, rent the studio, explore the gallery or see a demonstration.

Pittsburgh Glass Center is a "Green Building" with state of the art ventilation in all shops and heat recovery from the furnaces. Building elements such as garage doors, glass paneling and exposed brick are not only recycled elements, but also give PGC its unique urban/industrial edge. The building has been redesigned in accordance with federal Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) standards and received LEED Gold certification.

Pittsburgh Glass Center is the largest arts organization on Penn Avenue in Pittsburgh's East End and is a cornerstone of the Penn Avenue Arts Initiative's redevelopment of an underutilized part of the city through the arts.

Pittsburgh Glass Center is an important arts organization in Pittsburgh that is helping the city connect its history as a major producer in glass to its creative future through the innovative use of glass as art.

### WHAT DOES PITTSBURGH GLASS CENTER OFFER?

- Live hot glass demonstrations and tours
- 3-hour beginner workshops
- 8-week classes (beginner to advanced)
- Summer intensive week-long classes
- Fun, free events for the entire family
- Glass art exhibitions
- Hot parties
- Contemporary Glass Collectors Group
- Membership
- Studio rental

### EXHIBITIONS AT PITTSBURGH GLASS CENTER IN 2008

"Recollection" by Michael Rogers and Richard Hirsch Nov. 2, 2007 – Mar. 30, 2008

"Glass & Steel: Art Transcends Industry" May 2 – Sept. 5, 2008

An exhibition by Susan Taylor Glasgow Opens Oct. 2

### WHERE IS PGC LOCATED?

Pittsburgh Glass Center is located at 5472 Penn Avenue in Pittsburgh's historic East End neighborhood of Friendship, two blocks west of the intersection of Penn and Negley Avenues.

### HOURS

Tuesday – Thursday 10 am to 7 pm Friday – Sunday 10 am to 4 pm Closed Monday

### HOW TO CONTACT PGC

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## ARTISTS AND INSTRUCTORS ASSOCIATED WITH PITTSBURGH GLASS CENTER

Rik Allen  
Alex Arbell (Israel)  
Herb Babcock  
Pat Bako  
Scott Benefield  
Gavin Benjamin  
Eddie Bernard  
Jennifer Blazina  
Eoin Breadon  
Jane Bruce (England)  
Jason Chakravarty  
John Choi  
Chris Clarke  
Brent Craig  
Theresa Cress  
Katrina Creyts  
Matthew Cummings  
Paul Cunningham  
Scott Darlington  
Einar and Jamex De la Torre (Mexico)  
Nadège Desgenétez  
Mark Ditzler  
Laura Donefer (Canada)  
Fritz Dreisbach  
Tim Drier  
John Drury  
Diana Dugina  
Michael Dupille  
Steven Durow  
Darlene Durrwachter Rushing  
Roberta Eichenberg  
Brian Engel  
Matt Eskuche  
Tom Farbanish  
Shane Fero  
Suellen Fowler  
Jason Forck  
Brian Frus  
Mark Gibeau (Canada)  
Susan Taylor Glasgow  
Eric Goldschmidt  
Katherine Gray  
Randall Grubb  
André Gutgesell (Germany)  
Henry Halem  
Jiří Harcuba (Czech Republic)  
Hilary Harp  
Doni Hatz  
Drew Hine  
Richard Hirsch  
Sidney Hutter  
Caitlin Hyde  
Ayako Ikeda  
Kazumi Ikemoto (Japan)  
František Janák (Czech Republic)  
Richard Jolley  
Claire Kelly and Anthony Shafermeyer  
Ginger Kelly  
Janet Kelman  
Jennifer Kelting  
Ingalena Klenell (Sweden)  
Lucartha Kohler  
Barry Lafler  
Jiyong Lee  
Walt Lieberman  
Beth Lipman  
Christian Luginger  
Christopher Lydon  
Jay Macdonell  
Jeff Mack  
Caroline Madden (Ireland)  
Mike Mangiafico  
Dante Marioni  
Patrick Martin  
Chris McElroy  
Heather McElwee  
Eric Meek  
Montavenda Melchizedek  
Jacqueline Mendelson  
John R. Miller  
Robbie Miller  
Kari Minnick  
James Minson  
Jim Mongrain  
Benjamin Moore  
Nick Mount  
Kathleen Mulcahy and Ron Desmett  
Shelley Muzylowski-Allen  
Margaret Neher  
Etsuko Nishi (Japan)  
Duff O'Brien  
Joel O'Dorisio  
Richard Parrish  
Andrea Penzo (Italy)  
Peggy Pettigrew Stewart  
Jeffrey Phelps  
Stephen Rolfe Powell  
Janusz Pozniak  
Sally Prasch  
Stephen Protheroe  
Kirstie Rea (Australia)  
Jill Reynolds  
Kait Rhodes  
Ross Richmond  
Michael Rogers  
Bruno Romanelli  
Ginny Ruffner  
Elizabeth Ryland Mears  
Sage and her son Beau Anderson  
Davide Salvatore (Italy)  
Emilio Santini (Italy)  
Nadine Saylor  
Rob Scavuzzo  
Judith Schaechter  
Amy Schleif-Mohr  
Michael Schunke  
Peter Schweifel (Germany)  
Suzie Silver  
Steve Sizelove  
Daniel Spitzer  
Therman Statom  
Magan Stevens  
Helen Stokes (Australia)  
Gail Stouffer  
Jake Stout  
Lauren Stump  
Boyd Sugiki  
Delores Taylor  
Ana Thiel (Mexico)  
Cessare Toffolo (Italy)  
Gianni Toso (Italy)  
Milon Townsend  
Randy Walker  
Dave Walters  
Karen Willenbrink-Johnson  
Bert Weiss  
Lewis Wilson  
Lisa Zerkowitz