



Events at Pittsburgh Glass Center July – December 2009

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Pittsburgh Glass Center (PGC), one of the top glass facilities in the U.S., will offer many activities for the family in 2009 ranging from Make-It-Now glass experiences to a Pittsburgh panorama of mosaic glass. A full calendar can be found at www.pittsburghglasscenter.org/events/events.aspx.

Details about events at PGC can be found at www.pittsburghglasscenter.org, by calling 412-365-2145 ext. 201 or emailing pgcinfo@pittsburghglasscenter.org. Pittsburgh Glass Center is open Tuesday – Thursday from 10 am – 7 pm, Friday – Sunday from 10 am – 4 pm and closed on Monday.

SPECIAL SUMMER HOURS (June – September 7, 2009): Monday, Friday and Saturday 10 am – 4 pm; Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday 10 am – 7 pm and closed on Sunday.

PITTSBURGH GLASS CENTER EVENTS AND EXHIBITIONS JULY – DECEMBER 2009

JULY

July 1 Glass Art Lecture – Nancy Callan, Katherine Gray & Eun-Suh Choi 6 pm
PGC presents a free summer lecture series about studio glass art. Internationally known glass artists present slides and informal discussions about studio glass art on most Wednesdays, May through August 5.

July 3 – September 20 “Seventh-Inning Stretch” an exhibition by Nancy Callan
Opening Reception: Friday, July 3 from 6 to 9pm
Expect to laugh and smile while viewing “Seventh-Inning Stretch,” a new glass art exhibition at Pittsburgh Glass Center (PGC) featuring the work of Nancy Callan from the last seven years, 2001 – 2008. Callan’s blown glass combines the complexity and elegance of the Venetian tradition with the wit and aesthetic sensibility of a contemporary artist. The event is free and open to the public.

July 8 Glass Art Lecture – Jason Forck & Brian Engel 6 pm
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July 11 Tour at 10 + Glass Blowing Demonstration 10 am
A guided tour of “Seventh-Inning Stretch” plus a live glassblowing demonstration. \$10

July 15 Glass Art Lecture – Johnathon Schmuck & Gail Stouffer 6 pm
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July 22 Glass Art Lecture – Pablo Soto & Robert Mickelsen 6 pm
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July 29 Glass Art Lecture – Raven S kyriver 6 pm
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AUGUST

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August 5 Glass Art Lecture – Martin Janecky & Barbara Becker Simon 6 pm

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August 7 Hot Jam + Big Pour 6-9pm

Join us as we pour it on for Construction Junction. PGC is partnering with Construction Junction (CJ) to make custom and recycled beer glasses for the Steel City Big Pour, CJ’s annual fundraiser is on Sept. 12th. The Big Pour is a festival that features craft beer, food from local restaurants, live music and live art- including participation by the PGC. At tonight’s free open house, we’ll be making beer glasses of all shapes and sizes, plus we’ll be raffling tickets to the Steel City Big Pour. Hot Jams happen during the Penn Avenue Arts Initiative’s Unblurred events on First Fridays! For more details call 412-365-2145 ext. 201.

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September 15 Fall Classes & Workshops begin at PGC

September 19 Paperweight Make-It-Now 12 – 4pm

Paperweights are fun for everyone. Make your own colorful creation at PGC. This is one of PGC’s Make-It-Now workshops. Make-It-Now workshops are an opportunity to try glass making "on the spot" in 20 minutes or less.

September 25 Art on Fire Celebration & Auction 7pm

Pittsburgh’s only glass art auction and hottest celebration to benefit Pittsburgh Glass center. Sponsored by American Eagle Outfitters. Erin Morris, event chair and Sheila Klein, honorary chair.

OCTOBER

October 2 RADical Day + Make-It-Now Beads 10 am to 9 pm

PGC will feature free heat-defying acts of art in the flameworking and glass blowing studios throughout the day! Plus, visitors can make their own colorful glass bead for \$15 until 4pm. RADical Day, an annual event sponsored by the Allegheny Regional Asset District (RAD), is a day of free admissions and performances at a variety of regional attractions that are funded by RAD. Free/\$15 for bead making.

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October 2 – January 10 “The Return”

Opening Reception: Friday, October 2 from 6 to 9pm

Sheila Klein, a Washington state-based artist (who hails from Pittsburgh) has selected Pittsburgh Glass Center and its artists as her partners to adorn the new bridge that will link Shadyside and East Liberty. Klein plans to employ local glass artists to create thousands of glass “sequins” to dress the cyclone fencing on the pedestrian bridge.

October 6 High School Classes Begin

October 23 Great Glass Pumpkin + Make-It-Now Pumpkins 6 to 9 pm

A ghastly glass family event at Pittsburgh Glass Center. Create your own glass pumpkin for \$25. And watch artists create great glass pumpkins and ghosts in the fiery furnace. Glass pumpkins and other glass Halloween items will be for sale in a variety of shapes, sizes and costs. Free/\$25 for pumpkin making.

NOVEMBER

November 6 Hot Jam 6-9pm

Free open house featuring heat defying acts of art in Pittsburgh Glass Center’s state-of-the-art glass studios, plus Sheila Klein’s exhibition “The Return.” Hot Jams happen during the Penn Avenue Arts Initiative’s Unblurred events on First Fridays! For more details call 412-365-2145 ext. 201.

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DECEMBER

December 4 Hot Jam + Holiday Glass Sale 6 to 9 pm

An open house featuring heat-defying acts of art in PGC’s state of the art flameworking and glass blowing studios! Funky, fanciful and functional glass for sale for two days only! Regional artists display their wares for purchase at PGC. Prices range from \$5 to \$500. Free

December 5 Holiday Glass Sale + Make-It-Now Ornaments 10 am – 4 pm

Buy it or make it. Funky, fanciful and functional glass will be for sale for two days only! Regional artists display their wares for purchase at PGC. Prices range from \$5 to \$500. Or you can make your own blown glass ornament for \$25.

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