

# Peter Wright

## *Glass Sculptor*

*"I have been completely drawn in and seduced by hot glass. I am fascinated by the endless possibilities this material has to offer. I love working with color and surface, gesture and form.*

*Some of my major influences include William Morris, for his incredible surface treatments, Dale Chihuly, for his use of color, and traditional Japanese potters for their simple, almost primitive, but very elegant forms. I've been fascinated by all types of indigenous arts for years, especially Native American, African, and Pre-Columbian Art. All of these influences combine to help shape the statements that I wish to express.*

*The trick now is to get the vision from my head, through my hands, and into glass. A few degrees here or there, a millimeter's difference in thickness and the results can vary widely from piece to piece. That's the challenge of glass and I'm loving every minute of it."*

~ Peter Wright

After twenty years in commercial construction, beginning in Vail and ending in Chicago, Peter Wright says, *"I began to seek alternatives for the second half of my life."* In 1994, his life-long interest in art led him to found Wright Publishing Company. In this endeavor, Wright partners with artists to produce and market limited edition fine art; primarily bronze sculptures. The artists work in many media, including clay, wood, and stone, which Wright re-produces in bronze.

In 2000, renowned glass sculptor William Morris joined this group of artists and Wright was introduced to the world of art glass at the highest level. He spent countless hours watching hot glass being shaped into amazing forms. Ultimately, he realized that the best way to truly understand glass was to learn to work with it himself. He was *"completely drawn in and seduced by hot glass"* and that same year he began studying at Pilchuck Glass School in Washington.

## **Education**

### **2011**

Private Workshop  
Santa Fe, NM  
Ross Richmond, Instructor

### **2010**

Penland School of Crafts  
Marc Petrovic and Ross Richmond, Instructors

### **2009**

Pilchuck Glass School  
Shelley and Rik Allen, Instructors

### **2008**

Pilchuck Glass School  
Randy Walker, Instructor

### **2007**

Pilchuck Glass School  
Paula Stokes, Instructor

## **Exhibitions**

### **2025**

Variations  
Christian Burchard, Brian Sindler, Peter Wright  
Peterson Contemporary Art  
Bend, OR  
December 5 - December 31, 2025

RCAG 2025 Melbourne Design Week International Art Glass Exhibition  
Red Moon Contemporary Art Glass Gallery  
Armadale VIC, Australia  
May 15 - June 15, 2025

Streamer's Land International Contemporary Art Glass Exhibition  
Red Moon Contemporary Art Glass Gallery  
Armadale VIC, Australia  
March 30 - April 27, 2025

**2024**

Melbourne Design Week  
Red Moon Contemporary Art Glass Gallery  
Armadale VIC, Australia  
May 23 - June 2, 2024

Gallery Exhibition  
Red Moon Contemporary Art Glass Gallery  
Armadale VIC, Australia  
May 23 - June 30, 2024

**2022**

Fall Exhibition  
Peterson Contemporary Art  
Bend, OR  
October 7 – October 31, 2022

**2021**

Fifth Anniversary Celebration  
Group Show  
Peterson Contemporary Art  
Bend, OR  
December 3, 2021 – January 30, 2022

Reconnection: Celebrating Coming Together  
Group Show  
Stonington Gallery  
Seattle, WA  
December 2, 2021 – January 29, 2022

Glass Experience Santa Fe  
Elodie Holmes, Lucy Lyon,  
Charles Miner, Peter Wright  
Duncan McClellan Gallery  
St Petersburg, FL  
March 13 - May 5, 2021

**2020**

Glass in the Gallery  
Creative Pinellas  
Largo, FL  
March 5 - September 22, 2020

Cut, Blown, Cast  
A Contemporary Art Glass Exhibit  
Court House Cultural Center Gallery  
Stuart, FL  
January 10 - February 27, 2020

**2019**

Art in Embassies  
U.S. Department of State  
San Salvador, El Salvador  
2020 - 2022

Ode to the Natural World  
Noel Hart, Jen Violette,  
Peter Wright, Hiroshi Yamano  
Bender Gallery  
Asheville, NC  
April 5 - May 30, 2019

Member Exhibition  
Glass Art Society  
Morean Arts Center  
St. Petersburg, FL  
March 9 - April 26, 2019

**2018**

SOFA  
Bender Gallery  
Chicago, IL  
November 1 - 4, 2018

Force of Nature  
Winterowd Fine Art  
Santa Fe, NM  
July 20 - 31, 2018

In Dialogue With Nature:  
Glass In The Gardens  
Marie Selby Botanical Gardens  
Sarasota, FL  
July 14 - September 2, 2018

**2017**

SOFA

Winterowd Fine Art

Chicago, IL

November 2 - 5, 2017

Spirit Journey

Peter Wright and Hib Sabin

Mockingbird Gallery

Bend, OR

April 7 - May 4, 2017

**2016**

SOFA

Winterowd Fine Art

Chicago, IL

November 3 - 6, 2016

Reflecting Nature

Peter Wright

Winterowd Fine Art

Santa Fe, NM

July 1 - 15, 2016

Contempo: The New West

Tucson Desert Art Museum

Four Corners Gallery

Tucson, AZ

March 11 - April 30, 2016

Slices of Life

Florida CraftArt

St. Petersburg, FL

March 4 - April 23, 2016

**2015**

SOFA

Winterowd Fine Art

Chicago, IL

November 5 - 8, 2015

Hot Gatherings, Cool Conversations  
Artist Talk  
Museum of Fine Art  
St. Petersburg, FL  
May 10, 2015

Italian Traditions: Murano Meets St. Pete  
Chihuly Collection Exhibit Space  
St. Petersburg, FL  
January 23 - April 19, 2015

## **2014**

Taos Art Glass Invitational  
David Anthony Fine Art  
Taos, NM  
October 11 - November 9, 2014

Artifacts and Contraptions  
Peter Wright & Audrey Wilson  
Bender Gallery  
Asheville, NC  
August 1 – September 30, 2014

Sculptural Forms in Glass: Group Exhibition  
Winterowd Fine Art  
Santa Fe, NM  
June 1 - 19, 2014

Glasscentric  
Inaugural Group Show  
Chihuly Collection Exhibit Space  
St. Petersburg, FL  
April 3 - June 3, 2014

## **2013**

Hot Gatherings, Cool Conversations  
Artist Talk  
Museum of Fine Arts  
St. Petersburg, FL  
November 10, 2013

Body of Proof: Figures in Glass & Paintings  
Peter Wright, Kim Goldfarb, Paul J. Nelson  
Duncan McClellan Gallery  
St. Petersburg, FL  
November 9 - December 7, 2013

Distant Visions II: In Celebration of Glass  
Duncan McClellan Gallery  
St. Petersburg, FL  
January 19 - February 23, 2013

## **2012**

Taos Art Glass Invitational  
David Anthony Fine Art  
Taos, NM  
September 14 - October 7, 2012

Hib Sabin, Liz Wolf, and Peter Wright  
Glass, Wood, and Bronze  
Altamira Fine Art  
Jackson, WY  
August 16 - 30, 2012

New Mexico Contemporary Glass Invitational  
Mill Fine Art  
Santa Fe, NM  
August - September, 2012

Journeys: Travels in the Natural and Spirit Worlds  
A Group Exhibition  
Stonington Gallery  
Seattle, WA  
August 2 - 31, 2012

Spirits in Wood & Glass: Hib Sabin & Peter Wright  
Stonington Gallery  
Seattle, WA  
May 3-31, 2012

Distant Visions: A Look At Not So Local Glass  
Duncan McClellan Gallery  
St. Petersburg, FL  
January 14 - February 25, 2012

**2011**

Solstice Masquerade: A Group Exhibit  
Stonington Gallery  
Seattle, WA  
December 1 - 31, 2011

One Man Show  
Habatat Galleries  
West Palm Beach, FL  
October 21 - November 26, 2011

Featured Artist  
Kuivato Gallery  
Sedona, AZ  
October 7 - 31, 2011

GLASS NOW!  
Childs Studio Arts  
Great Barrington, MA  
June 23 - July 19, 2011

The Ultimate Goblet 2011  
Habatat Galleries  
West Palm Beach, FL  
March 12 - April 30, 2011

A Night of Stars  
Phoenix Art Museum  
Phoenix, AZ  
February 19, 2011

**2010**

Dog and Pony Show  
2nd Annual Invitational Exhibition  
Brandon Michael Fine Art  
Santa Fe, NM

Contemporary Forum Annual Auction  
Phoenix Art Museum  
Phoenix, AZ

Pilchuck Glass School's 32nd Annual Auction  
Seattle, WA

28th International Glass Invitational  
Habatat Galleries - Florida  
December 2010 - February 2011

**2009**

Bird's Nest Invitational  
Brandon Michael Fine Art  
Santa Fe, NM

Poleturners  
Pilchuck Auction Centerpiece Production Team  
Jiri Harcuba, Designer

Poleturners Group Show  
Pilchuck Glass School Gallery

Peter Wright - First Glass  
Evoke Contemporary Gallery  
Santa Fe, NM

En Fuego Group Show  
Evoke Contemporary Gallery  
Santa Fe, NM

SOFA West  
Santa Fe, NM

Pilchuck Glass School's 31<sup>st</sup> Annual Auction  
Seattle, WA

**2008**

Totem Interpretations Group Show  
Liquid Light Glass  
Santa Fe, NM

## **Press & Publications**

Tampa Bay Times  
"Future of Art Glass is Here"  
March 25, 2019  
Front page

Santa Fean Now  
June 30 - July 6, 2016  
Front cover, pgs. 2, 12

Pasatiempo Magazine  
July 1, 2016  
pg. 74

Santa Fean Magazine  
"Must-Know Artists"  
June/July 2016  
pg. 54

Tempo Magazine  
The Taos News  
August 13 - 19, 2015  
pgs. 4, 6

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The Taos News  
October 9 - 15, 2014  
pgs. 28 - 32

Tampa Bay News Wire - Press Release  
"New Gallery Space at the Chihuly Collection"  
March 31, 2014

Pilchuck Glass School's 34th Annual Auction Catalog  
Fall 2012  
page 67

Pilchuck Glass School's 33rd Annual Auction Catalog  
Fall 2011  
page 125

Best of Worldwide Glass Artists Volume I  
pages 141, 142

Best of America Glass Artists Volume II  
pages 127, 128

A Night of Stars Catalog  
Phoenix Art Museum  
February 19, 2011  
pages 28, 51

2011 Palm Beach Contemporary Glass Catalog  
Habatat Galleries 28th Annual International Glass Exhibition  
December 11, 2010 - January 29, 2011  
page 78

Pilchuck Glass School's 32nd Annual Auction Catalog  
Fall 2010  
page 106

Contemporary Forum Annual Auction Catalog  
February 20, 2010  
page 26

Pilchuck Glass School's 31<sup>st</sup> Annual Auction Catalog  
Fall 2009  
pages 13, 101

The Santa Fe New Mexican  
Pasatiempo  
June 5-11, 2009  
page 61

Dallas Morning News  
Learning Vacations That Pass The Test  
February 12, 2009  
Life/Travel Section

Geico Direct Magazine  
Glass Plus: Pilchuck Glass School  
Spring 2008  
page 11