

Fire Bucket Workshop

In this two-day workshop you will learn to use a table-top furnace ('glory hole'), called a Murphy Fire Bucket.

The primary activity will be to pull bundles of glass rods into glass cane and small stacks of sheet glass into pattern bar cane. The cane is annealed and then cut into small pieces that can be used in a wide variety of ways. Some may be used in a fusing workshop for decoration in glass jewelry, tiles, and small bowls. Interesting tiles can be made to be cut into cabochons. Beadmakers may wish to include pieces of cane into flameworked beads.

Eye protection from the brightness of the Fire Bucket is a good idea. If you have a pair of didymium glasses, bring them, otherwise we can supply a pair.

Bring a pair of safety glasses for protection when cutting glass rod and sheet glass. An apron is a good idea, too. All other necessary tools, equipment, and supplies will be provided.