BOROSILICATE FLOWER WORKSHOP Frank Warner June 7 and 14, 2025

In this workshop we will make glass flowers out of borosilicate glass. Participants must have taken at least one glass flameworking workshop.

The course format will be a little unusual. When I taught this glass flower workshop in 2022, Lisa Laffend did a great job taking split screen videos (overhead and side view) of all 13 demonstrations. In addition, I had prepared an introductory PowerPoint. The videos vary from as short as 4 minutes to as long as 69 minutes, a total of 5.25 hours. This time students will be given links to view the demonstration videos ahead of time so that we can decrease instructional demo time in class and increase the time students have for supervised practice on a variety of flowers.

We will have an introductory Zoom session, at a time convenient for all, in which I go over information about the workshop and we review together the PowerPoint presentation. Then links will be provided to the videos which are to be watched before the in-class sessions. Those sessions are scheduled for the two Saturdays June 7 and 14. This week gap will also provide an opportunity for review of the demonstration videos.

We will supply all the glass and tools that you will need, including eye protection, except those tools listed below. You are, of course, welcome to bring your own eye protection and any tools you like to use.

Required Tools:

Tungsten tweezer whose tips can go in the flame. **ABR Imagery** item: 8" thick tungsten tip tweezers, (\$34.95).

A very strong masher. **ABR Imagery** item: 156810, Round Mashing Pliers (\$19.95), or **Frantz Art Glass** item: 325132 Large Mashing Pliers (\$19.00).

Although not required, I recommend that participants in this workshop have a leather apron. The **Harbor Freight** website shows a split leather welding apron, item #45193, \$14.99.