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CONTEMPORARY

Amber Cowan

Education

- 2011 MFA Glass, Tyler School of Art and Architecture, Temple University, Philadelphia, PA
2004 BFA 3-Dimensional Design/Concentration in Glass, Salisbury University, Salisbury MD

Selected Exhibitions

2024 Group Exhibition

Made in PA, The Palmer Museum of Art, University Park, PA
Light of a Distant Future, VISU Gallery, Miami, FL

2023 Solo Exhibition

Alchemy of Adornment, The Museum of American Glass, Wheaton Arts, Millville NJ

Group Exhibitions

Collect Art Fair, Northlands Creative, London, UK
Serendipity, Haven Gallery, Northport, NY

2022 Solo Exhibitions

Gathering the Sky, Mining the Milk, Heller Gallery, New York NY
Mythical Bounty, The Brunnier Art Museum, Iowa State University, Ames IA

Group Exhibitions

Fired Up: Glass Today, The Wadsworth Atheneum Museum of Art, Hartford CT
The Gravity of Beauty, Zuckerman Museum of Art, Kennesaw GA
Boundless Curiosity: A Journey with Robert Minkoff, Museum of Glass, Tacoma WA
The Floral Impulse, David Castillo Gallery, Miami, FL

2021 Group Exhibitions

Objects: USA 2020, Curated by Glenn Adamson. R & Company Gallery, New York NY
In Her Voice, The Sandwich Glass Museum, Sandwich, MA
Craft Front & Center, works from the permanent collection,
The Museum of Art and Design, New York NY
Fluid Formations, Whatcom Museum. Bellingham WA
Beyond the Ceiling: Women of Studio Glass, Muskegon Museum of Art, Muskegon MI
Design Lab, The National Glass Centre in Collaboration with
The Victoria and Albert Museum, Sunderland England

2020 Group Exhibitions

A New State of Matter: Contemporary Glass, The Grand Rapids Art Museum,
Grand Rapids MI
20 in Twenty, Sandwich Glass Museum, Sandwich MA
The F Word: We Mean Female! The Hunter Museum of American Art, Chattanooga TN
Chautauqua Institution, Chautauqua NY

2019 Solo Exhibitions

Salacia, Heller Gallery, NYC

Group Exhibitions

Burke Prize 2019, The Museum of Arts and Design, New York NY

Philadelphia: Then and Now, 1950-2019, Bertrand Productions, Philadelphia PA
Art Miami, Represented by Heller Gallery, Miami FL
SOFA Chicago, Represented by Heller Gallery, Chicago IL

2018 Group Exhibitions

A New State of Matter, Group Exhibition. Boise Art Museum, Boise ID
The Bleak and the Burgeoning, The Walton Arts Center, Fayetteville AK
Salon NYC, Represented by Heller Gallery New York NY
SOFA Chicago, Represented by Heller Gallery. Chicago, IL

2017 Solo Exhibitions

Re/Collection, The Fuller Craft Museum, Brockton MA

Group Exhibitions

iGlass, Levant Art Gallery, Shanghai China
Current Reflections on the Natural and Man Made, The Landmark Arts Gallery
Texas Tech University Lubbock TX
Art Miami, Represented by Heller Gallery, Miami FL

2016 Solo Exhibitions

Chroma Revival, Heller Gallery, New York New York

Group Exhibitions

HUSH, The Philadelphia Art Alliance, Philadelphia PA
SOFA Chicago, Represented by Heller Gallery, Chicago IL
Art Miami, Represented by Heller Gallery, Miami FL

2015 Group Exhibitions

Colours, The Hempel Glass Museum, Denmark
Art Miami, Represented by Heller Gallery, Miami FL
SOFA Chicago, Represented by Heller Gallery, Chicago IL

2014 Solo Exhibitions

Second-Life Glass, The Museum of Craft and Design, San Francisco CA
Reconstructions, Heller Gallery, New York NY

Group Exhibitions

Contemporary Glass, 21st Century Innovations, The New Britain Museum of American Art, New Britain CT
Installation at The Philadelphia International Airport, Philadelphia PA
Flora: A Celebration of Flowers in Contemporary Art, Group Exhibition, The Brattleboro Museum and Art Center, Brattleboro VT
Breathing Through Transparency, The China Academy of Art, China
Supercool Glass, The Shelburne Museum, Shelburne VT
Art Miami, Represented by Heller Gallery, Miami FL
SOFA Chicago, Represented by Heller Gallery, Chicago IL

2013 Group Exhibitions

New Visions, Group Exhibition, Wexler Gallery, Philadelphia PA

Honors/ Awards

2022 Recipient of The Delphi Award, Smithsonian Women's Committee

- Board of Fellows, The Corning Museum of Glass
 Lecture at The Wadsworth Atheneum Museum of Art, Hartford, CT
 Lecture at The Brunnier Art Museum, Ames IA
- 2021** United States Artists Fellowship in Crafts
- 2019** Finalist for The Burke Prize 2019, The Museum of Arts and Design, New York NY
- 2018** Honoree at The Urban Glass Gala, New York NY
 Resident Artist at The Chrysler Museum Glass Studio, Norfolk VA
 Lecture at The Glass Art Society Conference, Murano Italy
- 2017** Featured Artist at The International Flameworking Conference, Salem NJ
 Lecture and Demonstration at The Australian Glass Art Society Conference, Australia
- 2016** Nominated for a Pew Fellowship, Philadelphia PA
 Recipient of The Peter S. Reed Foundation Grant
 Resident Artist at The Tacoma Museum of Glass, Tacoma WA
- 2014** The Rakow Commission, The Corning Museum of Glass, Corning, NY
- 2013** Nominated for a Louis Comfort Tiffany Foundation Grant
 SOFA Selects, Piece chosen by David McFadden, Chief curator The Museum of Art and Design
 Selected to represent Philadelphia as one of the "Rising Stars" at GlassWeekend 2013 by The Contemporary Glass Philadelphia Organization at Wheaton Arts, Wheaton NJ
 Merriman-Ross Scholarship at Pilchuck Glass School, WA
- 2012** Recipient of The Stephen Procter Fellowship, The Australian National University, Canberra Australia
 Residency at The Toledo Museum of Art, Juried selection for "The Toledo Workshop Revisited" Residency and documentary, Toledo OH
 Recipient of The Tyler Alumni Award of Excellence at The Philadelphia Fibers Biennial, Philadelphia PA
- 2011** Teaching Assistantship Tyler School of Art, Philadelphia PA
- 2010** Resident Artist, Maho Bay's Recycled Glass Center, St. John Virgin Islands

Permanent Collections

The Museum of Art and Design, New York NY
 The Toledo Museum of Art, Toledo OH
 The RISD Museum, Providence RI
 The Hunter Museum of American Art, Chattanooga TN
 The Corning Museum of Glass, Corning NY
 The Imagine Museum, St. Petersburg FL
 The Brunnier Art Museum, Ames IA
 The Museum of Glass Tacoma, Tacoma WA
 Wichita Art Museum, Wichita, KS
 The Ringling, The John and Mable Ringling Museum of Art, Sarasota FL
 Cafesjian Art Trust, Shoreview, MN
 The Speed Museum (Promised Gift) Louisville KY

The de Young Museum (Promised Gift) San Francisco CA
The Shanghai Museum of Glass, Shanghai China
China Academy of Art, Hangzhou China

Select Teaching

Adjunct Assistant Professor, Tyler School of Art and Architecture, Temple University, Philadelphia Pennsylvania, 2010-Present
Adjunct Assistant Professor, Salem Community College, 2011-2012, Salem NJ
The Pilchuck Glass School, Stanwood WA
The Penland School of Crafts, Penland NC
The Studio of the Corning Museum of Glass, Corning NY
The Pittsburgh Glass Center, Pittsburgh PA
Urban Glass, Brooklyn NY
Pratt Fine Arts Center, Seattle WA
The Toledo Museum of Art, Toledo OH
Peters Valley Craft School of Craft. Sandyston NJ
Canberra Glassworks. Canberra, Australia
Abate Zanetti School of Glass, Murano Italy

Select Publications

Author: Shannon Eblen. "Amber Cowan Gives New Life to Vintage Glass" The New York Times, October 2022
Author: Natalia Joruk. "Amber Cowan: Breathing New Life Into the Lost and Forgotten". Beautiful Bazaar Magazine. Issue 37. June 2022
Women's Art Wednesday. A Woman artist for every week of the year. Book. 2022
Author: Glenn Adamson. Book. Objects: USA 2020. 2020
Author: Katy Donoghue. White Wall Magazine. Winter 2021-2022
Author: Ashley Petras. Creative Minds Issue. Galerie Magazine. Spring 2020
Author: Samantha DeTillio. Amber Cowan Torches the Past. Glass: The Urban Glass Art Quarterly. Cover. Fall 2019
Author: Andy Smith. Stories in the Glass, Sculptor Amber Cowan. Hi-Fructose Magazine. Spring 2019
Author: Rima Suqi. Not Just Any Vase. The New York Times. May 2019
Author: Clair Butwinick. Gray Magazine. December 2019
Author: Eric David. The Sensual Surrealism of Amber Cowan's Glass Sculptures. Yatzer. March 2019

Author: Anna Marks. Vintage Glass Forged into Enchanted Leafy Worlds by Amber Cowan. Colossal. January 2019

Author: Danielle Krysa. A Big Important Artist: A Womanual. 2019

Author: Amanda Algem. The Jewels. Harper's Bazaar Magazine. December 2018

Author: Alexa Bricker. Amber Cowan's Generations of Glass. American Lifestyle Magazine. September 2017

Author: Cathryn Keller. The Fine Tint. O the Oprah Magazine. October 2017

Author: Joyce Lovelace. Tender Tribute. American Craft Magazine. March 2017

Author: Elizabeth A. Williams. Cowan and the Cullet: A Tale of Contemporary Alchemy. Manual. The RISD Museum. 2016

Author: John Drury. Review: Chroma Revival. NEUES Glass. 2014

New Glass Review: 36 (Cover), 35, 33

Corporate Collaborations

Guest Designer for Blenko Glass. Amber Cowan for Blenko Glass

Artel Glass, Amber Cowan for Artel, Collaborative design set

Maison Margiela collaboration, Amber Cowan for Maison Margiela, A commission based on the 2021 Collection film "A Folk Horror Tale" by creative director John Galliano

Bombay Sapphire, "Stir Creativity" commercial campaign directed by Raphael Vengalis