
Tyler Rock



Tyler Rock is one of Canada's premier glass artists. His work has received recognition from the Alberta Foundation for the Arts, the Alberta College of Art and Design and the Canada Council for the Arts. He has also been selected as "Artist in Residence" at the Studio at the Corning Museum of Glass in Corning, New York. In addition to his studio practice, Tyler is an instructor in the glass program at the Alberta College of Art and Design as well as at the Corning Museum of Glass. He has exhibited work extensively in galleries both in Canada and the United States. Rock's work can be found in many private, corporate and public collections in Canada including the private collection of the Premier of Alberta, the offices of the Prime Minister in Ottawa and the Department of Foreign Affairs.

Professional Experience

2020	Associate Chair, School of Craft + Emerging Media, Alberta University of the Arts, Calgary Canada.
2017-20	Associate Professor, Alberta University of the Arts
2008-20	Permanent Faculty, Glass Program, Alberta University of the Arts, Calgary, Canada.
2016	Instructor, Workshop, Harbourfront Centre, Toronto, ON.
2014	Instructor, Workshop, CERFAV, Glass School, France
2014	Artist in Residence, Glazenhuis Glass Studio and Museum, Belgium
2013	Instructor, Workshop, Chronicle Glass Studio, Wanganui, New Zealand.
2011	Sessional Instructor, Glass Program, University of South Australia, Adelaide, Australia.
2010	Instructor, Formulate Workshop, Espace Verre Glass School, Montreal Quebec.
2010	Instructor, Workshop, Glass Studio of Harbourfront Centre.
2006-09	Head of Glass Program, Alberta College of Art and Design, Calgary, AB, Canada.

- 1995-08 Sessional Faculty, Glass Program, Alberta College of Art and Design, Calgary, Canada.
- 2002-08 Artist / Co-founder, Firebrand Glass Studio, Black Diamond, AB, Canada.
- 2004-08 President, Glass Art Association of Canada.
- 2007 Instructor, The Studio of the Corning Museum of Glass, Corning, NY, USA.
- 1995-07 Instructor, Red Deer College Series Program, Red Deer, AB, Canada.
- 2006 Instructor, Masaoka Studio, Carmel, California, USA.
- 2002 Artist in Residence, The Studio, Corning Museum of Glass, Corning, NY, USA.
- 1996-01 Co-founder/ Manager, Norm's Garage Glass Studio, Calgary, AB, Canada.
- 1996 Team Leader/ Poleturners, Pilchuck Glass School, Washington, USA.
- 1990-95 Co-founder Bhava Glassworks Glass Studio and Artist Co-operative, Calgary, Canada.
- 1994 Coordinator/ Co-organizer, Workshop with international artists Petr Novotony (CZ) and Karen Willenbrink (USA), Bhava Glassworks, Calgary, AB, Canada.

Education

- 2013 Master of Visual Arts Research Degree, University of South Australia, Adelaide, Australia.
- 1989 Four year diploma (with distinction), specialization in glass, Alberta College of Art, Calgary, Canada.

Awards and Honours

- 2011 Arts Graduate Scholarship, Alberta Government Scholarship.
- 2011 Alberta Foundation for the Arts Grant.
- 2009 Award of Excellence – Established Craftsperson, Alberta Craft Council, Edmonton, AB.
- 2009 Alberta Foundation for the Arts Grant.
- 2007 Alberta Foundation for the Arts Grant.
- 2007 New Glass Review 28, International Juried Competition.
- 2005 Alberta Foundation for the Arts Grant.
- 2002 Canada Council Grant.
- 2002 Alberta Foundation for the Arts Grant.
- 2002 Alumni Award of Excellence, ACAD.
- 1994 Alberta Foundation for the Arts Grant.
- 1987 Illingworth Kerr Scholarship, ACA.

Lectures and Presentations

- 2018 Lecture and Demonstrations, Jilin University of Art and Design, Changchun China.
- 2017 Lecture and Demonstration, Espace Verre Montreal.
- 2017 Demonstration, Glass Art Assoc. of Canada Conference, Re:Do. Oakville, ON.
- 2013 Lecture, AbrACADabra, ACAD, Calgary, Canada.
- 2012 Research Presentation, Contemporary Discourses: Materials and Practice ACAD, Calgary, Canada.
- 2011 Research Presentation, Art Assoc. of Australia and New Zealand Conference, Wellington, N.Z.
- 2010 Lecture and Demonstration, Canadian Glass Conference, Espace Verre, Montreal PQ.
- 2010 Lecture "Iteration", Innovators and Ideas lecture series, Harbourfront Centre, Toronto Ontario.
- 2009 Lecture and Demonstration, Toyama Glass Art Institute, Toyama Japan.
- 2009 Visiting Artist Workshop, demonstrations and Lectures, Aichi University, Nagoya Japan.
- 2007 Lecture, Glass in Canada, Invisible Visible Craft Symposium, ACAD, Calgary, Canada.
- 2007 Lectures, Contemporary Studio Glass of Canada and Artist Talk, The Studio of the Corning Museum of Glass, Corning, NY, USA.
- 2006 Visiting Artist, Sheridan College, Toronto, Canada.
- 2006 Visiting Artist, Harbourfront Centre, Toronto, Canada.
- 2005 Artist Presentation, Northlands Creative Glass Centre, Lybster, Scotland.
- 2003 Lecture and Demonstration, Canadian Glass Conference, Harbourfront Centre, Toronto, ON, Canada.
- 2002 Artist Presentation, The Studio of the Corning Museum of Glass, Corning, NY, USA.
- 2001 Demonstration, Espace Verre, Montreal, PQ, Canada.
- 1998 Demonstration, International Glass Festival, Palla Del Vidre, France.
- 1998 Artist Presentation, Escuela De Arte En Vidrio, Barcelona Spain.

Public Art

- 2019 Festival Canoe Volant – Alberta – Winter's Breath Sculpture
- 2019 The Royal Tyrell Museum – Alberta – Wayfinding Sculpture
- 2017 Transect, Capital Blvd project: the Places, Edmonton AB, Canada.

Solo Exhibitions

- 2022 Forme and Formulations, La Guilde, Montreal
- 2013 Still Water, Fontanelle Gallery, Adelaide Australia.
- 2010 Frontier, Art Mur Gallery, Montreal Quebec, Canada.
- 2007 Firebrand Glass, Newsmall Gallery, Vancouver, BC, Canada.
- 2006 Between, Material Matters Gallery, Toronto, ON, Canada.
- 2003 Tyler Rock - New Work, West End Gallery, Edmonton, AB, Canada.
- 2001 New Works by Tyler Rock, Stephen Lowe Art Gallery, Calgary, AB, Canada.
- 2000 Tyler Rock - New Work, Sebastian Yoon Gallery, Calgary, AB, Canada.
- 1997 Vessel, Porterfield Yoon Gallery, Calgary, AB, Canada.

Selected Curated Exhibitions

- 2020 Light on Glass, curated by Marie Helene Naud, La Guild Gallery, Montreal, PQ, Canada.
- 2019 Re:Consider, Alberta Craft Council, Edmonton Alberta.
- 2019-20 Cultivate/Instigate, Alberta Craft Council, Edmonton & Calgary Galleries Alberta.
- 2017 Hot Matter, La Guild Gallery, Montreal, PQ, Canada.
- 2015 Here and There, curated by Tom McFall, Alberta Craft Council Gallery, Edmonton, AB.
- 2015 In the Making, curated by Diana Sherlock, Kenderdine Gallery, Saskatoon, Canada.
- 2014 In the Making, curated by Diana Sherlock, Illingworth Kerr Gallery, Calgary, Canada.
- 2013 Assembly of Light, curated by Jill Allen, Endeavour Gallery, Calgary, Canada.
- 2013 At the interstices of Clockworks, curated by Libby Parrella, SASA Gallery, Adelaide, Australia.
- 2012 Ranamok Glass Prize, Canberra Glassworks, travelling, Canberra Australia.
- 2011 Natural Flow, curated by Joanne Marion, Esplande Gallery, Medicine Hat Alberta..
- 2010 Glass Factor, Luminaries in the Canadian Glass Art scene, curated by Christian Bernard Singer, Canadian Clay and Glass Museum, Waterloo Ont..
- 2010 Slanguage, curated by Melanie Egan, Harbourfront Centre, Toronto Ontario, Canada.
- 2009 Unity and Diversity, Canadian National Craft Exhibition, Cheongju Craft Biennale, Cheongju, Korea.
- 2009 Tenuous Tenacity, Canadian Glass Sculpture, Glazen Huis, Lommel Belguim.

- 2007 Glass Sculpture Now, Lafrenière & Pai, Ottawa, ON, Canada. Invitation Piece.
- 2007 All About Alberta, Nickle Arts Museum, Calgary, AB, Canada.
- 2006 All About Alberta, Canadian Embassy, Washington, DC (Associated with the Smithsonian 2006 Focus on Alberta), Washington, DC, USA.
- 2005 Collectors Show, Gallerie Elena Lee, Montreal, PQ, Canada.
- 2004 Couple, Liquid Heat Gallery, Lancaster, PA, USA.
- 2002 Album@75, Illingworth Kerr Gallery, Calgary, AB, Canada.
- 2002 Selections from Canada, Kittrell Riffkind Gallery, Dallas, TX , USA.
- 2001 White, Portfolio Gallery, Vancouver, BC, Canada.
- 2000 Mystery of Mastery, Alberta Craft Council Gallery, Edmonton, AB, Canada.
- 2000 Cover Stories, Alberta Craft Council Gallery, Edmonton, AB, Canada.
- 1999 Collection from Canada, The Glass Gallery, Bethesda, MD, USA.
- 1998 Contemporary Canadian Glass, Ariana Gallery, Royal Oak, Michigan, USA.
- 1997 North of the Border: Canadian Glass, Dinner Contemporary Gallery, Tuscon, AZ, USA.
- 1995 Glass Works: A Survey of Calgary Glass, Triangle Gallery, Calgary, AB, Canada.
Alberta Craft Council Gallery, Edmonton, AB, Canada. Candian Clay and Glass Museum, Waterloo, ON, Canada.

Selected Group Exhibitions

- 2017 Landmarks, Alberta Craft Council (Three person show) Edmonton, AB, Canada.
- 2017 The Collection '10-'17, Glazienhuis, Lommel Belgium.
- 2014 Formative, Leighton Art Centre, Calgary, Canada
- 2014 Continuum, Alberta Craft Council. Edmonton, Canada
- 2011 Graft, Seedling Artspace, Adelaide South Australia Australia.
- 2007 Lucent, Illingworth Kerr Gallery, Calgary, AB. Canadian Glass Exhibition.
- 1998-07 Canadian Glass Show, West End Gallery, Victoria, BC, Canada.
- 2006 Canadian Glass Exhibition, GAAC Conference, Red Deer College, Red Deer, AB, Canada.
- 2003 Glass Art Canada Exhibition, GAAC Conference, Harbourfront Centre, Toronto, Canada.
- 2003 Faculty Show, Illingworth Kerr Gallery, Calgary, AB, Canada.
- 2000 Canadian Glass, CDN Glass Conference, Red Deer College, Red Deer, AB, Canada.
- 1999 Groundworks, Starfish Glassworks, Victoria, BC, Canada.
- 1998 Faculty Show, Illingworth Kerr Gallery, Calgary, AB, Canada.
- 1998 ACAD Faculty and Graduates, Gallerie Elena Lee, Montreal, PQ, Canada.
- 1993 Expressions in Glass, Muttart Gallery, Calgary, AB, Canada.

- 1993 Alberta made Home Alberta Craft Council, Edmonton, AB, Canada.
1992 Bhava at Newzones, Newzones Gallery, Calgary, AB, Canada.
1992 Blind and Naked, Truck Gallery, Calgary, AB, Canada.
1989 Transfer-Glassworks, Neo Faber Gallery, Toronto, ON, Canada.

Public Collections

The Department of Foreign Affairs, Canadian Government.

The Tyrell Museum

The Saskatchewan Arts Board

The City Art Collection, Lommel, Belgium.

The Alberta Foundation for the Arts.

The Studio of the Corning Museum of Glass, Corning New York, USA.

The Canadiana Fund, Government of Canada.

Corporate Collections

Claridge Inc, Summit Corporation, The Rozsa Foundation, Petrobank, Transcanada Petroleum, Enerplus, Burlington Resources, Progress Energy, Enbridge, Syncrude. The Four Seasons Hotel, CDN art collection, Toronto.

Professional Organizations

1991-ongoing Alberta Craft Council.

1992-ongoing Glass Art Association of Canada.

1997-ongoing Glass Art Society.

2005-ongoing Ontario Craft Council.

2011-ongoing Ausglass.