

Josh Simpson

Born: August 17, 1949

Education: BA, Hamilton College, Clinton, NY (1972)

Selected Solo Exhibitions

Josh Simpson: Galactic Landscapes; Berkshire Museum, Pittsfield, MA (July 2018-Jan 2019)

Universe in Glass: Josh Simpson; Universe Gallery, Louisiana Art & Science Museum (2016)

The Universe According to Josh Simpson: A Summer of Josh Simpson; City of Westfield and Westfield State University, MA (2014)

This Blue Marble: The Universe of Josh Simpson; Gallery 51, Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts, MA (2012)

Etienne Gallery; Oisterwijk, the Netherlands, (2011)

Inner and Outer Space: the Visionary Landscape of Josh Simpson; Jane Sauer Gallery; Santa Fe, NM (2011)

World Equestrian Games; Artique, Lexington Green: Lexington, KY

Emerson Gallery, Hamilton College; From 60,000 Miles Away: The Glass Galaxies of Josh Simpson; Clinton, NY (2010); Sandwich Glass Museum (2010)

Huntsville Museum of Art; *Josh Simpson: A Visionary Journey in Glass, 1972-2007*; Huntsville, AL (2007); Springfield Museum of Art (2007-2008); Mobile Museum of Art (2008); Knoxville Museum of Art (2009); Museum of Arts and Sciences (2009); Fuller Museum of Art (2010)

Steuben Selects, Steuben Flagship Store; New York, NY (2007-2008)

Sandwich Glass Museum; Visions of Our Galaxy; Sandwich, MA Traveling Exhibition (2005-2007)

Hsinchu International Glass Arts Festival; Hsinchu, Taiwan (2001)

Karanisu Gallery; Tokyo, Japan (2000)

Galerie Rob van den Doel: The Hague. The Netherlands (1999)

Bruce Museum: Visionary Landscapes: Greenwich, CT Traveling Exhibition (1998-2006);

Emerson Gallery, Hamilton College; *New Work, New Worlds;* Clinton, NY Traveling Exhibition (1994-1998)

Reflections Gallery; Geneva, Switzerland (1994)

Galerie L; Hamburg, Germany (1993, 1988)

Brunnier Gallery; Ames, IA (1988)

American Crafts at the White House, Washington, DC (1977)

Selected Group Exhibitions

Inspired by the Past; Brattleboro Museum and Art Center, Brattleboro, VT (2021)

2100°F: 10th Anniversary Vermont Glass Guild; Southern Vermont Art Center, Manchester, VT (July-Aug, 2021)

Makers and Mentors; The Art and Life of Snow Farm; Fuller Craft Museum, Brockton, MA (Nov 2020 – July 2021)

Graffiti and Glass; Southern Vermont Arts Center, Manchester, VT (Sept-Oct. 2018)

SpaceLab: An Interstellar Exhibit of Glass Art; National Liberty Museum, Philadelphia, PA (July – Sept, 2018)

Out of this World; The Works, Ohio Center for History, Art & Technology, A Smithsonian Affiliate (July-October 2018)

Of Art and Craft; Flinn Gallery of Art and Craft, Greenwich, CT (Oct-Dec 2017)

Out of this World; Chrysler Museum, Norfolk VA, October, 2017

Small Scales: Lands of Enchantment, Bruce Museum, Greenwich, CT (2016-2017)

Modern Alchemy: The Art of Glass, Southern Vermont Art Center and Vermont Glass Guild Exhibition; Manchester, VT (2016)

Fired: Iron Ceramics and Glass, Arvada Center of Arts and Humanities; Arvada, CO (2015)

Out of This World! Jewelry in the Space Age, Carnegie Museum of Natural History; Pittsburgh, PA (2015)

Glass Today: 21st-Century Innovations; New Britain Museum of American Art; New Britain, CT (2014)

All Things Considered VII, Arrowmont School of Arts & Crafts; Gatlinburg, TN and Fuller Craft Museum; Brockton, MA (2013)

Art in Space; Ethel H. Blum Gallery, College of the Atlantic; Bar Harbor, ME (2013)

Glass Act; Bunker Hill Community College, Boston, MA (2011)

Stellar Landscapes; Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, MA (2011)

The Art of Dining; Worcester Center for Crafts, Worcester, MA (2010, 2011, 2012)

The Glory of Glass; Karg Art Glass; Kechi, KS (2010)

Habatat Gallery; Royal Oak, MI (2009)

Glass in Space, Palacove'Zahrady; Prague, Czech Republic (2009)

Selected Public Collections

Renwick Gallery of the Smithsonian Museum; Washington, DC

Newark Museum; Newark, NJ

Yale Museum of Art; New Haven, CT

Tacoma Art Museum; Tacoma, WA

Massachusetts State House; Boston, MA

Racine Art Museum; Racine, WI

Fuller Craft Museum; Brockton, MA

Telfair Museum of Art; Savannah, GA

Lousiana Art & Science Museum; Baton Rouge, LA

Corning Museum of Glass; Corning, NY

Fundacion Centro Nacional del Vidro; Segovia, Spain

Museum of Arts & Design; New York, NY

Moritex Sphere Museum; Tokyo, Japan

Mint Museum of Craft + Design; Charlotte, NC

Brunnier Art Museum; Ames, IA Museum of Fine Arts; Boston, MA Museum of Decorative Arts; Prague, Czech Republic Renwick Gallery, Smithsonian Institution; Washington, DC

Selected Awards & Honors

Lifetime Achievement in the Arts Award, Salem State University, (2019)

Westfield State University, Honorary Doctor of Fine Arts (2014)

The Cohn Family Trust for Excellence in Glass, Philadelphia Museum of Art Craft Show (2013)

WFCR Arts and Humanities Award, Outstanding Individual (2012)

Hamilton College, Honorary Doctor of Fine Arts (2008)

Jurors' Award: Best in Glass, American Craft Exposition; Evanston, IL (1990, 1992, 1995, 2002)

Lifetime Membership Award, Glass Art Society (1999)

Urban Glass Award, Achievement in Limited Series Design (1996)

Jurors' Award: Artists Look at Earth, National Air & Space Museum, Smithsonian Institution (1986)

Selected Bibliography

Salmon Falls Press; Josh Simpson: Stellar Disks, July 2018

Schiffer Publishing, Art Glass Today 2, released in April, 2016

Living Spaces Magazine, The Artist and the Astronaut, (Spring 2012)

Boston Globe, Blown Away by a Glass Artist, (May 14, 2010)

Art New England, Worlds Apart: Josh Simpson, Debbie Hagan (April/May 2010)

New Glass Review, Corning Museum of Glass, Corning, NY (1979, 1984, 1987, 1990, 1992, 1993, 2007)

Josh Simpson: A Visionary Journey in Glass (catalog), Huntsville Museum of Art,

essays by Lloyd E. Herman and William Warmus, 2007

PBS Documentary, Defying Gravity, An Historic Achievement in Glass featuring Josh Simpson (2006)

New England Glass: The Quiet Force catalog, Worcester Center for Crafts (2006)

Neues Glas, New Glass Magazine, Josh Simpson (Fall 2005)

Chicago Tribune, When the Inner Artisan Speaks (August 22, 2004)

Josh Simpson Glass Artist, Andrew Chaikin (2001)

PBS Documentary, Where the Earth Meets the Sky, the Glassworks of Josh Simpson (2001)

Christian Science Monitor, From a Fiery Inferno, Kristen A. Conover (April 7, 1997)

Selected Special Projects & Commissions

Iowa State University, Tektite Portal; Ames, IW (2013)

Corning Museum of Glass, 100 lb. Megaplanet commission; Corning, NY (2006)

Art in Embassies Program: US Embassies of Austria, The Philippines, Brunei, Canada,

Kuwait, Iceland, Egypt, Oman, Burundi, Saudi Arabia, Turkey, Mauritania (1999-present)

Culture Connect Envoy – Singapore & Brunei; US State Department (2005)

Pioneer Valley Symphony and Chorus; The Planets Symphony; Greenfield, MA (2000)

Americans for the Arts Annual Awards Commission (1998-2001)

Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts Awards Commission; Washington, DC (1995, 1996, 1998)

Royal Caribbean Cruise Line; Megaplanet commission; Norway (1996-2005)

Earth Day Awards; New York, NY (1993, 1994)

Moritex Corporation; Lobby commission; Tokyo, Japan

Museum of Modern Art Design Catalog; New York, NY (1987)

Selected Teaching Experience

Peabody Essex Museum, *Artist and Astronaut, our orbiting lines in Art, Science and Space Exploration*; Salem, MA (2017)

Art Educators of New Jersey Conference; Long Branch, NJ (2015)

New Britain Museum of American Art, Artist Lecture with Josh Simpson; New Britain, CT (2014)

TEDx Shelburne Falls: A Sense of Place; Shelburne Falls, MA (2013)

College of the Atlantic, Ethel H. Blum Gallery and SERC Institute; *Art in Space*, Bar Harbor and Winter Harbor, ME (2013)

Corning Museum, *Meet the Artist & Astronaut-Josh Simpson & Cady Coleman*; Corning, New York (2012)

Corning Museum; Corning, New York (1997, 1999, 2001, 2004, 2005, 2007, 2008, 2011)

Wanganui Polytechnic University; Wanganui, New Zealand (1999)

Tokyo Glass Art Institute; Tokyo, Japan (1993)

Haystack Mountain School of Crafts; Deer Isle, ME (1990)

Penland School of Crafts; Penland, NC (1989)

Selected Related Activities

Berkshire Museum, Board of Trustees, 2018 to present

Sandwich Glass Museum Board of Trustees (2006-2013)

Corning Museum of Glass Fellow (2005-present)

Snow Farm - The New England Craft Program; Williamsburg, MA (2001-present)

Glass Art Society; Board of Directors, President (1992-1994), Treasurer (1990-1992)

Craft Emergency Relief Fund; Founding President (1985-1992), Board member (1985-2003)

American Craft Council; Board of Directors (1998-2001) (2013-present)