

Aya Oki



Born in Osaka, Japan, Aya Oki is a glass art artist now working in San Bernardino, California. The artist is best known for her blown glass “bouquets:” collections of fused blown forms, layered with strands of polychromatic glass canework. The artist assembles her work organically, often improvising in conversation with the material. Her practice prioritizes the pleasure and levity of the act of making in addition to the final result

Oki incorporates teaching, residencies, and community building into her practice, as well as maintaining role as Studio Assistant to Katherine Gray. She has been collected by The Museum of American Glass, the Corning Museum of Glass, and the Tacoma Museum of Glass and was a finalist for the 2024 Loewe Foundation Craft Prize.

Education

2014	MFA, Rochester Institute of Technology, Rochester, NY
2011	California State University San Bernadino in Glass, San Bernardino, CA
2008	MFA, Aichi University of Education, Aichi, Japan
2006	BFA, Aichi University of Education, Aichi, Japan

Selected Exhibitions

- 2024 Duane Reed Gallery, St. Louis, MO
- 2023 Sandra Ainsley Gallery, Toronto, Canada
Kittrell Riffkind Art Glass Gallery, Dallas, TX
Martha’s Vineyard Glassworks, MA
School of Art Collection and Galleries, Kent State University, OH
- 2022 Contemporary Craft, Pittsburgh, PA
Toyama Glass Art Museum, Toyama, Japan
Janice Charach Gallery, MI
Winterowd Fine Art, Santa Fe, NM
- 2021 Renwick Gallery, Smithsonian American Art Museum, DC
Brea Gallery, Brea, CA
Applied Contemporary, Oakland, CA
Imagine Museum, St. Petersburg, FL
Habatat Gallery, MI
- 2020 Gallery Voice, Gifu, Japan
Pilchuck Glass School Exhibition Space, Seattle, WA
Blas & Knada, Stockholm, Sweden
- 2019 The Glass Factory, Boda, Sweden
Corning Museum of Glass, Corning, NY

Selected Collections

- Perry Glass Art Collection, Glass Light Hotel & Gallery, Norfolk, VA
- Imagine Museum, St. Petersburg, FL
- Corning Museum of Glass, NY
- Tacoma Museum of Glass, WA
- Museum of American Glass, Millville, NJ
- RIT Library Purchase Prize Collection, Rochester Institute of Technology, Rochester, NY

