



St Petersburg/Sarasota, Florida January 24-27, 2019

A glass extravaganza is waiting for you in beautiful St. Petersburg and Sarasota, Florida!

The Great Glass Getaway starts on **Thursday January 24th** with a **preview dinner** and **auction** of over 40 spectacular works from some of the most noted collections in America. The auction will be conducted by Gregory Bator, our celebrity auctioneer and entertainer - offering a fun and very memorable event.

Friday morning, we will board our deluxe busses from the New Hyatt Place (*hotel details below*) in downtown St. Petersburg and travel to **The Ringling Museum** in Sarasota. We will be met at the **Kotler/Coville Pavilion** by Phil and Nancy Kotler, who will give us a personnel tour. Next, we will go to the **Kotler's residence** on Longboat Key to continue our viewing of their magnificent collection of contemporary glass.

We then will head to the **Ringling College of Art and Design** to view selected highlights of the **Richard and Barbara Basch collection** in their named gallery. Lunch will follow while viewing **John Miller's** innovative traveling truck gallery featuring an exhibit of his California Funk, N.Y. Pop, over- sized glass food display. At this time, John will **demonstrate** his consummate glass making skills in the recently opened hot shop located in the Basch Visual Art Center at the college. We will conclude our day at the Ringling College with **talks** by internationally noted artists, whose work you will see on Saturday at Habatat Galleries Pop-Up exhibition in St. Petersburg where you will be awed by the **3 featured exhibits** we will be bringing to the **"Glass Coast"**!

Friday evening in St. Petersburg, dinner will be on your own to explore the many restaurants in the downtown area.

Saturday morning you will take a short bus ride to view **Habatat Galleries Pop-Up presentation** showcasing **three generations** of artists working with glass world-wide.

1) **The Founders Exhibitions** pays homage to the pioneers of Studio Glass. Most of the artists in this exhibit are no longer working, giving collectors a chance to acquire rare vintage works.

2) **The second exhibition** involves artists that brought studio glass the exposure needed to make museums and major collectors interested in the potential of this material. This group has many of the most popular International artists creating today.

3) **The third exhibit** presents artists whose exposure to the public was not realized until 2010 or later. We leave it up to you to determine if this is the future of studio glass. The exhibit includes artists working out of the main stream, have been geographically isolated, or have only recently come on to the scene.

Together these three exhibits form a historic view into the **evolution of studio glass world-wide**.

Saturday afternoon we will travel by bus to visit the studio of **Marlene Rose** to view her latest work.

On Saturday evening we are invited to attend the **first anniversary gala of the Imagine Museum**. The dress code will be cocktail casual and will be filled with good food, fun, surprises and a guaranteed night to remember! The theme will be "Illumination", so be prepared to be amazed!

Sunday begins with a relaxed brunch and an opportunity to review the Habatat exhibits, meet the artists and discuss their work. We then will visit the Chihuly Collection featuring a special presentation of Norwood Viviano's amazing environmental glass installations. Our last stop for the weekend will be to the Duncan McClellan.

We hope you can join us for another amazing Glass Weekend on the Glass Coast!

RSVP Today by calling 248.554.0590 or emailing Debbie@habatat.com

Space is limited. **Pricing for glass weekend** is \$245 per person. This includes all bus trips, a lunch, a brunch, a dinner, home tours, tickets to the Imagine Museum gala, VIP access to the pop-up space, Chihuly entry ticket and more!

Recommended Hotel:

*Hyatt Place *St. Petersburg Downtown*

25 2nd Street, North

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Ask for the "**Habatat Galleries Glass Vacation Rate**"

Rate is \$189.00 per night plus tax

Please **make your reservations by 1/10/2019** as that is the cutoff date for the hotel.