

Glass Symphony glass gallery moves downtown

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The downtown Bend art community is about to get a heart of glass. Glass Symphony, a high-end art glass gallery is opening its new location at 916 NW Wall Street, after nearly two years in west Bend.

“Glass Symphony has established itself as Oregon’s most beautiful art glass gallery, and now brings its enlightened vision to downtown Bend, continuing the tradition of fine art in the community” says artist and co-owner Kate MacLeod. “We are delighted to bring fine glass art, a new custom glass showroom, and expanded mixed media into the heart of downtown, and look forward to continuing as an active member of Bend’s art community.”

Glass Symphony's owners are planning a November soft opening November 23, 2007, followed by a Grand Opening on the First Friday Art Walk, December 7.

“Glass Symphony is an experience,” says co-owner Dan MacLeod. “Our new location allows us to complement the downtown art scene beautifully.”

Glass Symphony had its foundations in the dream of a fine arts student, pursuing a Bachelor's of Fine Arts in the premier program at UC Davis. Kate MacLeod learned her art with the best, and went on to pursue a Master's of Fine Arts. Along the way, she put her dream somewhat on hold to complete an MBA in finance as a means to a sustainable career; Kate continued to hone her skills and ply her art on her own time. Kate and Dan were finally able to realize the vision they kept in focus while keeping up more left-brained careers; Kate's passion for glass has come full circle.

“We have worked to come up with a new paradigm,” says Dan MacLeod. “We have combined a large number of glass enterprises under one roof, and have brought some of the best glass work in the world to Central Oregon.”

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