

PENLAND GALLERY

Matthew Urban

Normal, IL

GLASS | Blown glass sculpture and functional forms

Penland Affiliation | Penland instructor 2015

Artist Information | Studio artist; education: BFA Philadelphia College of Art and Design (PA), MFA Illinois State University, Tyler School of Art; teaching: Penland School of Craft (NC), Corning Museum of Glass (NY), professional experience: Pilchuck Glass School staff, Michael Schunke production assistant

Artist Bio | Urban has studied and worked around the world with numerous master glassmakers including Lino Tagliapietra, Pino Signoretto, Dino Rosin, Gianni Toso, Elio Quarisa, Checco Ongaro, Davide Fuin, and Davide Salvatore. These interactions have had a profound impact on Matthew's approach to glassmaking and appreciation for the history of glass.

Technical Info | Urban uses only recycled glass for all his designs and sculpture. He is the owner of Furnace Urbini Glass Works since 1999.