



# The Paperweight Chase

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## Paperweight Fest 2014, Wheaton Arts, Millville NJ

How many of you are planning a trip to the Paperweight Fest sponsored again by Delaware Valley PCA and Wheaton Arts? Delaware Valley PCA and Wheaton Arts will again be presenting Paperweight Fest -- May 15-17, 2014 in Millville NJ. This event offers numerous opportunities to mingle with artists, dealers and collectors in a relaxing environment.

Four artists have generously donated weights to be raffled off. Tickets are \$10 each or 3 for \$25. Tickets will be available at our April 6<sup>th</sup> meeting or you can contact WheatonArts, 1-800-998-4552, Ext. 100 or the website <http://www.wheatonarts.org> Winning tickets will be drawn at the banquet on Saturday evening, May 17<sup>th</sup>. The winner will be notified by telephone or email. Proceeds will benefit Wheaton Arts' Education Programs.

## Paperweight Fest 2014 Raffle



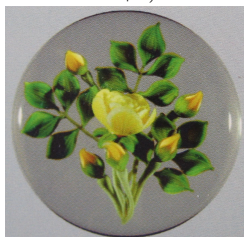
**James Kontes**

Blue lizzard on latticino ground with white torsade with 5 and 1 facet. Signature cane.  
2.75" dia.  
Value \$2,500



**David Graeber**

Peach chrysanthemum with white butterfly bush, sunflowers and red bell flowers on a blue background. 3" dia.  
Value \$1,650



**Gordon Smith**

Single yellow rose with five buds on clear background. Signature cane and dated.  
3.25" dia.  
Value \$1,500



**Paul J. Stankard**

Flowers and fruit with honeybee orb. Contains pineland pickerel weed, apple blossoms, blueberries and fruit. 3.5" dia.  
Value \$6,500

The 'Make your own Paperweight' lineup of artists this year includes Jim Brown or Damon MacNaught for a 1 ½ hr one-on-one session in millefiori. Or you can join up with Melissa Ayotte or David Graeber to offer you a flameworking experience. These sessions will be held on Thursday and require an additional fee. Your paperweight creation will be encased by the artists and available for you to bring home.

The work of the Kontes Brothers will be showcased. Throughout the Fest, twenty-seven frog weights owned by a private collector will be on display in the Event Center. Gay LeCleire Taylor will present "40 Years Together: The Kontes Brothers and Paperweights".

#### Other Programme Items

- Paul Dunlop – "New Baccarat Research"
- Artist Panel – Daniel Salazar, Clinton Smith, Damon MacNaught, Chris Sherwin, Ken Rosenfeld
- Collaborative Demos and Auctions – Mike Hunter and Colin Richardson, Rick and Melissa Ayotte, David Graeber and Gordon Smith, Chris Sherwin and Daniel Salazar
- Dealers Fairs
- Artist Lunch and Learn Sessions
- Paul Stankard – "The Last 10 Years"
- Angela Bowey – "Australian and New Zealand Artists"
- Andrew Dohan – Close-Pack Contest. Prizes for winners.

The Museum of American Glass, located on the grounds at Wheaton Village, is completing renovations. When it reopens next month, 5 new gallery spaces and new exhibits will have been installed. The first major exhibit "NJ350: Through the Lens of Glass" will honour the state of New Jersey's 350<sup>th</sup> anniversary and will explore the relationship between glass and South Jersey culture. Visit the website <http://www.wheatonarts.org/museumamericanglass> for more information on exhibits.

#### **GlassFest, Corning NY (May 22-25, 2014)**

The fifth annual GlassFest will be hosted by Corning's Gaffer District and Chemung Canal Trust Company. The city of Corning will come alive with artist displays and exhibitions, hot glass shows, concerts and activities, wine and beer tasting, fireworks and activities for the whole family.

The GlassFest FlameOff, presented by World Glass, is an expressive glassmaking challenge that gives artists an opportunity to showcase talents using a torch and compete simultaneously for prizes and artistic recognition. Join professional glass artists from around the country for a two-day event featuring clear and colored glass, both blown and hand-sculpted. Meet the artists and learn about the centuries-old techniques throughout the weekend.

Visit [www.glassfest.org](http://www.glassfest.org) for information on travel, events, accommodation and dining.

## **Celebrate the Paperweight 2014**

'Celebrate the Paperweight 2014' weekend in Chicago sponsored by L.H. Selman, Sept. 26-28, 2014. More information will follow. You can visit the Selman website at <http://www.selman.com> for news about the weekend and their upcoming paperweight auctions.

## **PCA, Inc. Artist of the Month**

Scottish paperweight artist, Craig Deacons, is the featured artist on the PCA, Inc. website <http://www.paperweight.org>. Some of you will already know of John Deacons, Craig's father, whom Craig has had an opportunity to work with from a young age. You can read more about Deacons Glass on the PCA, Inc. website 'Artist of the Month' feature.

You can also find out more about the Deacons Glass workshop on the Deacons Glass Facebook page. Craig can be contacted at [deaconsglass@googlemail.com](mailto:deaconsglass@googlemail.com)

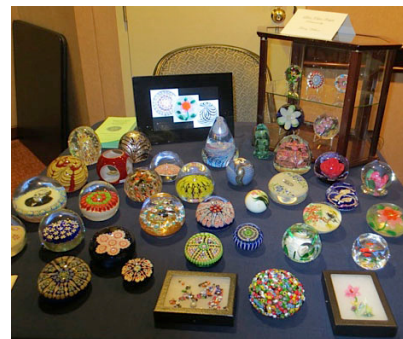
## **Paul Ysart Paperweight**



Those of you who follow the Glass Paperweight Group on Facebook will, no doubt, have seen the post (Glass Paperweight Michael - dated 2014 Feb 5) about some unnamed collectors finding this lovely example of Paul Ysart's work, a star paperweight on sandy ground, at a recent auction. If you attend the meeting on April 6<sup>th</sup>, you will be able to see it!

## **PCA Ontario at Community Showcase**

PCA Ontario participated in a local community showcase in late 2013 with an educational display of paperweights from the collection of Tracy & Rick Willson. Information on PCA Ontario membership and activities was available to interested parties.



## PCA Ontario Member Celebrates Milestone

Congratulations to Lifetime Member, Angie Whittaker, on celebrating a milestone birthday. Can we say it – her 95<sup>th</sup>! Angie was among those first paperweight collectors who, under the leadership of Helen Carothers, formed what is now PCA Ontario. Angie and her husband collected paperweights of different sorts while travelling and attending PCA Inc. conventions in the US. Angie's son and daughter are still active in PCA Ontario activities.

### **Dues Reminder to Members and Advertisers**

If you have not yet paid your membership dues for the calendar year 2014, please contact Marcia Whittaker, VP & Treasurer.

### **Definitions**

**Metal:** Traditional term used by glassblowers for glass, especially in its molten state.

**Combing:** A process used in decorating art glass and surface decorated weights. A continuous spiral thread of glass, which has been wound around the surface of an object, can be formed into a marbrie like, zig zag, or feathery pattern by dragging a sharp ice pick like tool across the soft molten glass.

**Schott Optical Glass:** A company which specializes in making optical quality glass for eye glasses and camera lenses. A number of today's paperweight artists buy slugs of glass from Schott, which they use to make their weights. These glass slugs are made to each artist's specifications regarding formulas and size desired to encase a motif.

***Ref: Dunlop, Paul H. The Dictionary of Glass Paperweights: An Illustrated Primer. Papier Presse, Statesville NC (2009)***

Your submissions to this newsletter are always welcomed. Please contact Tracy Willson.

## Events Calendar 2014

Date	Event
Sunday, April 6	Meeting (hosted by Tracy & Rick)
May 15-17	Paperweight Fest 2014, Millville NJ
May 22-25	GlassFest, Corning NY
Sunday, June 22	Meeting (hosted by Marcia)
Sunday, August 17	Meeting (hosted by Marcia)
September 26-28	Celebrate the Paperweight 2014, L.H. Selman, Chicago
Saturday, October 18	Meeting (hosted by Marcia)
Sunday, November 30	Winter Meeting & Holiday Social (hosted by Marcia)

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**Annual Fees**

**PCA Ontario, Canada**

January 1 – December 31

\_\_\_ Single Membership     \$20.00

\_\_\_ Couple                     \$30.00

\_\_\_ Mailings only             \$15.00

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