

# Katy Stidley - Jewelry

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## ABOUT THE ARTIST

I have been creating jewelry with beads for 20 years and making my own glass beads for about 10 years now. I guess you could call me a professional beader. The technique I use to make my glass beads is called Lampworking. I use a torch flame to melt the glass and build and create the bead, one at a time. The bead then goes into a kiln to anneal (to strengthen) after the beads come out of the kiln and I have a good selection of beads, then I start making

precious stones, fresh water pearls and other glass beads.

I was formally trained at The Maryland Institute College of Art, graduating with a BFA in 1986. My major was in Graphic design.



My Jewelry reflects all the things that matter to me, love, family, nature, color, texture and just being fun and pretty.