Glass Fusion

What are the workshops about?
The aim of the workshop/s is to learn the differences between types of glass design; form glass shapes; be aware of the firing process; create a decoration, gift or jewellery and to HAVE FUN! You will explore glass cutting, patterns and specialist glass such as: Dichroic glass, stringers and frit. Extended techniques such as glass painting, stencils and glass printing will also be introduced.

* Demonstrate an understanding of glass pattern & design.
* Demonstrate an understanding of the practice and methods used in glass fusing & design.
* Demonstrate technical skills in glass cutting & arrangement.
* Coefficients of glass types, sourcing & selection of glass;
* Cutting, preparation & application to plate glass & direct to a mould;
* Kiln information & finishing after forming.
* Use materials & equipment safely & effectively.
You will design, create & produce various fused glass pieces. Please note that the results of firing cannot be prescribed & results are normally seen as a pleasant surprise!

What previous knowledge, experience or qualifications do you need?
Beginners and those with some experience would benefit equally. You will learn in a friendly environment with all appropriate Health and Safety provision with a combination of introductory talk, demonstration, practise with individual support, discussion and course notes to take away. You will develop technical proficiency and confidence in glass fusing, design and creation. Apart from you keeping a workbook, the tutor will discuss your progress with you and will help you to achieve.

What do I need to bring with me?
For the first session, you will need a notebook and pen. Novices please do not purchase specialist tools before the start of the course. All tools and H&S equipment will be provided.

Health and Safety:
You must wear closed toe shoes. All masks and gloves will be supplied if necessary.

Are there any additional costs?
Materials will be charged by weight, but is dependent on the size and complexity of your designs.