## Dennis DeBon

Glass Artist

St. Petersburg, Florida

Award-winning glass artist, Dennis DeBon, is the creator of EnergyWebs™, unique, one-of-a-kind works of modern glass art. This new form of art combines two techniques reverse painting on glass and spin art. Each piece is free-style hand-cut, the edges scalloped and polished, then the piece is spun. The colors are then fired onto the glass and each piece is handsigned. Dennis uses a multitude of application techniques and color combinations to create these beautiful masterpieces, and he is the only glass artist in the world creating this type of art.

Reverse Painting on glass, is an art form as old as the Renaissance. In Murano, Italian artists used glass as their canvas. The artist must think in reverse, creating his artwork from front to back.

Spin Art is an art form developed in the late 1950s by "action artist" Eugene Pera, who believed that art should be brought into the Machine Age. His "painting machine" allowed him to create dramatic abstract art. He never patented the process, and by the 1960s spin art became popular at state fairs and carnivals.

Dennis DeBon was born and raised in Buffalo, New York. At an early age, he became interested in architecture and developed his skills in mechanical drafting and structural design. Dennis continued his development by attending the Rochester Institute of Technology in Rochester, New York, where he studied photography and graphic design.

Since moving to St. Petersburg, Florida, Dennis developed his creative abilities by combining his structural background with his love of glass.

Dennis was commissioned in recent years as the artist to create the Richard Dawkins Awards. In addition, his past creations were presented to James "The Amazing" Randi, Carl Sagan's widow, Ann Druyan, and the winners of the Zora Neale Hurston awards.

When Dennis isn't creating art, you might find him in the boxing ring working as a professional boxing referee or writing screenplays.

## Some Current Exhibit Galleries & Museums

Abacus-Kennebunkport/Ongunquit/Portland, ME Absolute Gallery - Lansing, MI Ackerman Galleries - Kapaau, HI Adobe Stockholm - Stockholm, WI American Craftsman -NYC, NY Art & Soul Gallery – Traverse City, MI

Artful Hands Gallery - Chatham, MA Artisan Marketplace - Southhampton, PA

Be.Gallery - Chagrin Falls, OH Carlyn Galerie – Dallas, TX Cone Five Gallery - Buffalo, NY

Corning Museum of Glass - Corning, NY

Creations Gallery - Newark, DE

Dreams & Discoveries - Cannon Beach, OR

Eclipse Gallery - Bar Harbor, ME Ecolin Gallery - Port Jefferson, NY

Florida Craftsmen Gallery – St. Petersburg, FL

Forest Edge Gallery – Vergas, MN Glass Reunions - Key West, FL GrassRoots Gallery - Newark, DE

Haven Gallery - Austin, TX

Heart to Heart Gallery- Munster, IN Hilyer House - Ocean Springs, MS HoyPoloi – Walt Disney World, Orlando Hunter-Wolff - Colorado Springs, CO

In Fusioin - Vail, CO

Journeys of Life - Pittsburgh, PA Just Because - Sarasota, FL Just Imagine - St. Thomas, VI Nash Gallery - Hilton Head, SC Native Colors - Key West, FL Objects Art Gallery - Irvington, VA Reflections Gallery - Mendocino, CA Polk Museum of Art, Lakeland, FL

Pure Original, Rutland, VT Raku Gallery – Jerome, AZ Rare Earth Gallery - Stuart, FL String Theory Creations, Sanford, FL Sunrise Gallery – Scottsdale, AZ The Pop Gallery - Walt Disney World

The Wild West Trading Co – Fraser, CO

Topeo Gallery - New Hope, PA

Wildlife Trading Company - Palm Desert, CA Yellow Door Gallery - Charleston, SC