

## Winner | Aspiring Glass Artists

**Daphne Dijkerman** *"The Story of a Suitcase"*

"I wanted to tell the story of a mysterious suitcase. It is clear that it has travelled a lot. The weathered suitcase leaves to the imagination. It encourages viewers to imagine a life story of its owners. What is the story of this suitcase? Was it used for pleasure or a forcible movement?"

It was a challenge to make this object. A learning curve in which I again learned a lot about the possibilities and properties of glass."

**Type of glass used:** Bullseye Glass

**Country:** Netherlands



### About the Artist:

"I try to use the properties of glass to express my thoughts and reflections. I get inspiration from the dynamics and movement of everyday life. Recurring themes in my work are autobiographical, philosophical or sometimes psychological of nature. I would like to expand my horizons as a beginning glass artist. In this way I can find out what suits me. Each time, coming closer to my

own style, which has to be more developed. I hope to discover more of my 'signature' in the coming years."

*"Working with glass can sometimes be very frustrating. I think every glass artist recognizes this. Winning the glass prize gives me the strength to persevere anyway. In the end, the public appreciates my hard work. I can be proud of the end result: Cherishing the process and the road towards it."*



**The prize for the Aspiring Glass Artists category is a place on a Live Online Masterclass with [Glass School](#), with highly experienced tutors. The winner will also receive a £100 Gift Voucher for Warm Glass UK, to spend on a huge range of glass fusing supplies and education.**

*The Aspiring Glass Artists category was voted for by the public on the [Warm Glass UK Facebook page](#).*