

## Fundraising campaign 2008



Dear friends,

This year, Espace VERRE celebrates its 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary. The pioneer's creative vision towards the future is now completely shared with the next generation, who are now leading the way in their chosen paths in the vast world of the international glass community. Principally, Espace VERRE has shown its "brilliance" within the US and in many parts of Europe with a few "sparkles" in other places as well. For some glass artists success came quickly with their own studios while others choose to work by renting studio time at Espace VERRE as the cost of utilities is expensive and always increasing.

Espace VERRE's mission is to give its full support to the development of the glass arts. In order to continue to achieve this, one must take charge of the community's interest. We are blessed with an enthusiastic and efficient administrative team who are able to devote their time and energy to this goal.

The recent purchase of new equipment gave way to the teaching of some new and exciting glass techniques such as flame working, stone wheel engraving and sand casting which are now accessible to both students and professionals alike. As our community continues to grow, the workspaces have been reorganized to maximize the efficiency and security of the equipment. As well, Espace VERRE now benefits from the technical support of a permanent team of technicians.

Publicity wise, the gallery has taken a more professional turn with its publicized exhibitions. Our hallway window displays offer an attractive selection of glass work to the purchasing public. Nevertheless, we must find ways to attract more people and further our promotional work.

The biggest challenges that Espace VERRE experiences is in balancing both its educational and professional mandates, while fostering exchanges with visiting glass artists and encouraging creative glass research in a contemporary context. Keeping our high standards in times when public grants remain frozen, constitute a real financial challenge, while our constant growth creates many new ones. The development of new projects, maintaining and improving the quality of our services is especially important to our support of the community of glass artists, enthusiasts and collectors.

### **We need your support !!!**

Espace VERRE is a registered charitable organization, and upon donation an official income tax receipt will be issued. We would be very grateful, if you could contribute to our fundraising campaign of 2008 in order to allow us the possibility of attaining our financial goals.

### **Thank you for your generous contribution.**

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#### **Espace VERRE Fundraising Campaign 2008 Form**

An Income tax receipt will be emitted for your contribution :

20 \$ \_\_\_\_\_, 30 \$ \_\_\_\_\_, 50 \$ \_\_\_\_\_, 100 \$ \_\_\_\_\_, other amount \_\_\_\_\_ \$

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Check Number : \_\_\_\_\_ Payable to Espace VERRE

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