

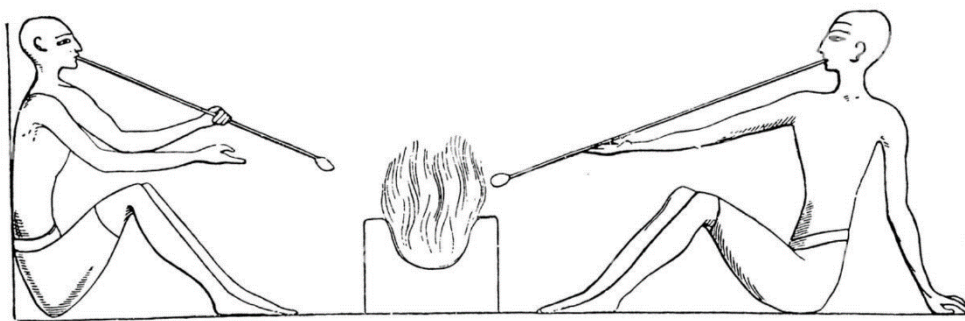
# The Journey of Glassblowing

# Introduction and Early Origins

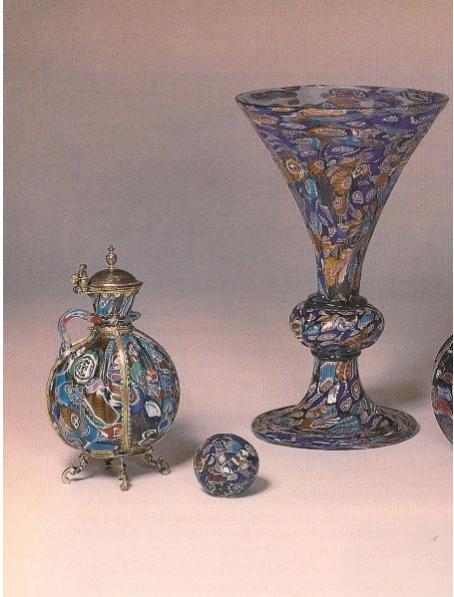
- **The First Glassblowers:**

The craft of glassblowing is believed to have originated in the 1st century BC in areas now known as Israel, Iran, Palestine, and Lebanon.

Glassblowing was invented by Syrian craftsmen, where blown vessels for everyday and luxury use were produced commercially and exported to all parts of the Roman Empire.



# Renaissance Glassblowing (16<sup>th</sup> century)





# Paris Exhibition



Emile Galle  
(1864-1904)



Eugene Rousseau



# Studio Glass Movement



“My idea was that there ought to be continuing, ongoing, aesthetic experimentation in material apart from production. But [Corning Glass Works] didn't buy my proposal. They believed that architects made the best designers, where you made your designs on paper and didn't fool around with the material. I thought form was born in the material and in the hands of the artist, and that a pencil was a poor substitute [resulting] in a very obvious and simplistic solution.” – Harvey Littleton.



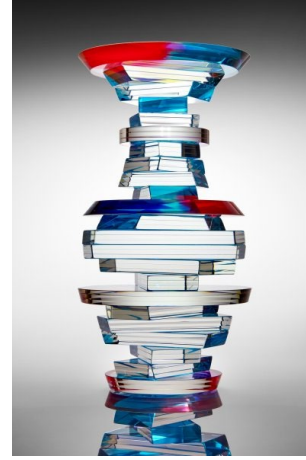


# Contemporary Glass Blowing Techniques

Blown Glass



Cold Glass



Slumped Glass and Flame work



Architectural Glass



# Uses of Blown Glass Today.



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