

# DALE CHIHULY



- born September 20, 1941
- is an American glass sculptor and entrepreneur.
- His works are considered unique to the field of blown glass, "moving it into the realm of large-scale sculpture,"
- Chihuly uses it as the primary medium for installations and environmental artwork.
- working with glass forms can be difficult yet that his main choice of materials



- born in Tacoma, Washington,
- he received a bachelor of arts degree in interior design. While at the University of Washington,
- he received a Master of Science in sculpture from the University of Wisconsin–Madison
- while Chihuly was in England, he was involved in a head-on car accident during which he flew through the windshield. His face was severely cut by glass and he was blinded in his left eye.
- After recovering, he continued to blow glass until he dislocated his right shoulder in a 1979 bodysurfing accident. No longer able to hold the glass blowing pipe, he hired others to do the work.





- ONCE CHIHULY WAS ABLE TO STEP OUT OF BEING THE MAKER HE HAD A BETTER VISION FOR WHAT SHOULD BE CREATED AND ABLE TO HELP WITH THE PROBLEM-SOLVING TO MAKE IT HAPPEN.
- HERE YOU CAN SEE THE GLASS IS HOT, AND YOU CAN USE PADDLES TO TAP IT AND MOLD IT WHILE IT IS STILL SOFT.



**CHIHULY HAD A GREAT EYE FOR COLOR AND SHAPE - USING BALLS AND SNAKE-LIKE SHAPES  
THIS IS A BOAT ON WATER FILLED WITH ALL OF HIS GLASS IDEAS CREATING ONE SCULPTURE!**





**+ THIS SCULPTURE IS MADE OF HUNDREDS AND HUNDREDS OF CURVED PIECES OF BLOWN HOLLOW GLASS.**

**+ CAN YOU SEE THE SIZE OF THIS SCULPTURE?**

**+ LOOK AT THE TREES TO THE RIGHT...THIS SCULPTURE IS MASSIVE!**

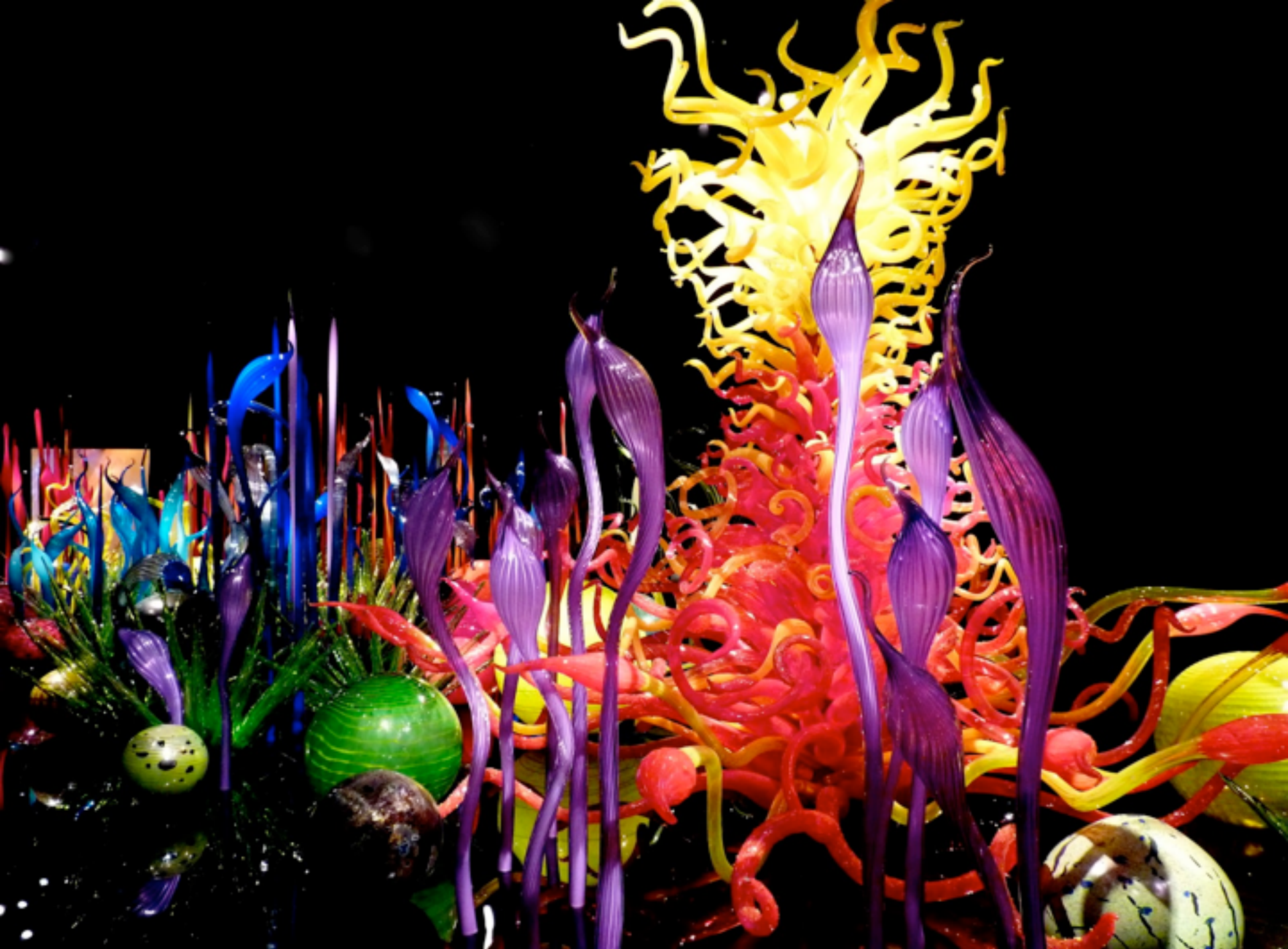
**+ IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO SEE A CHIHULY SCULPTURE WE HAVE SEVERAL IN THE PHIPPS CONSERVATORY...HAVE ANY OF YOU EVER BEEN THERE?**





✦ CHIHULY HAD A VISION FOR MAKING GLASS LOOK LIGHT AND FLOATING.

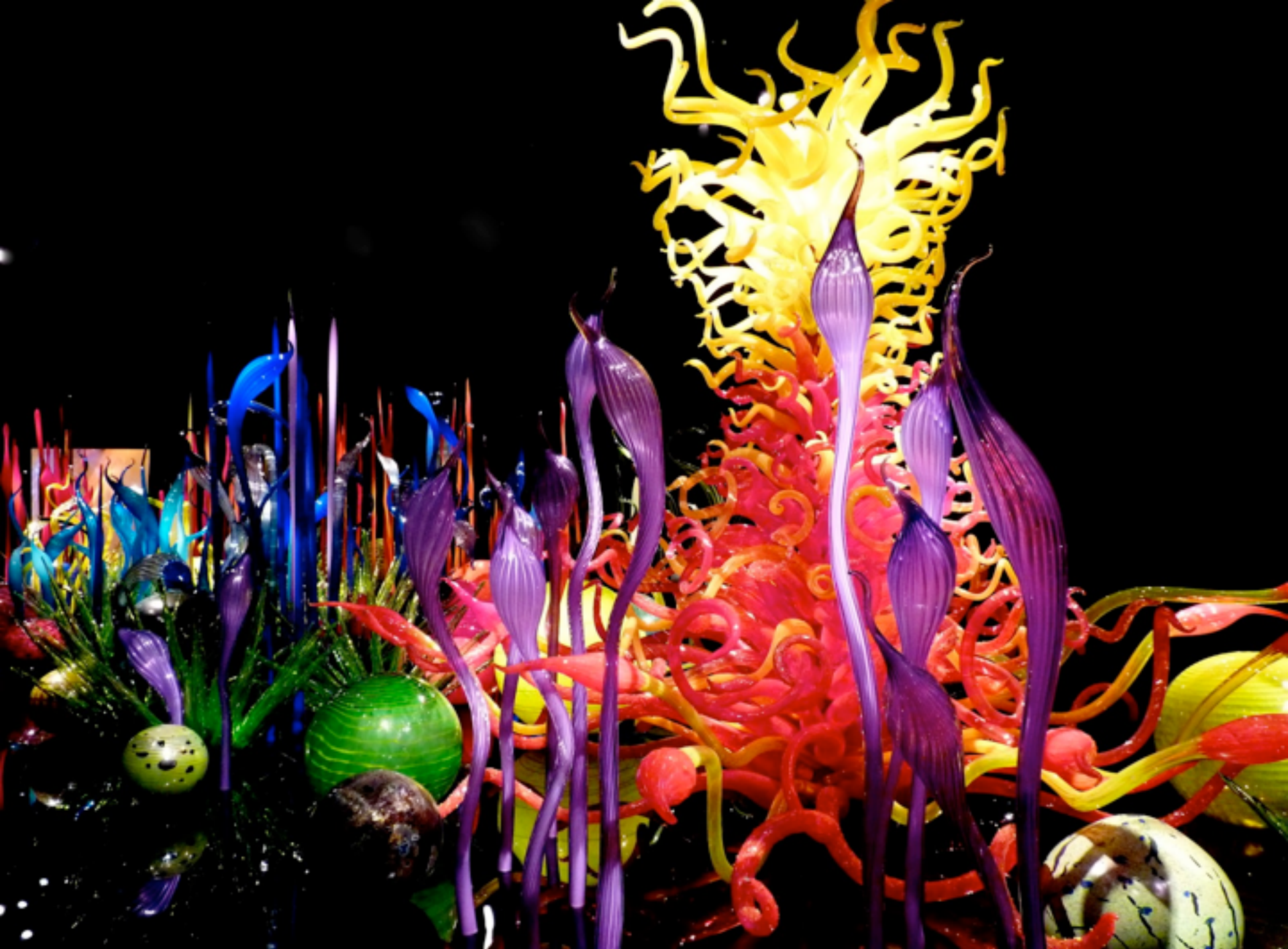




# LET'S TALK ART!

- **HOW WAS THIS WORK MADE?** (WHAT MATERIALS)
- **IS THERE ANYTHING “SPECIAL” ABOUT HOW THE ARTIST USED THE MATERIALS?**

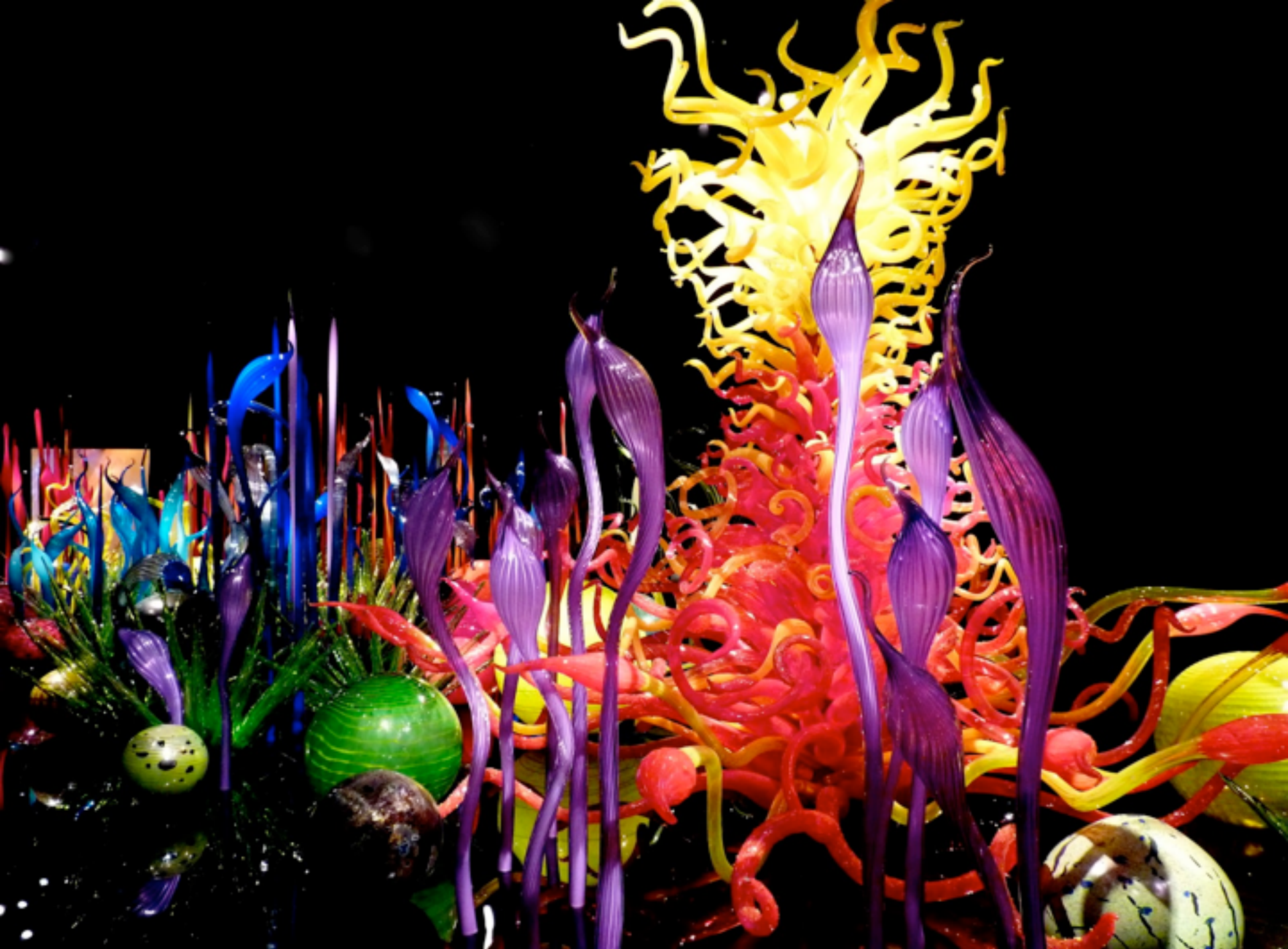




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- WHAT MAKES THIS ARTIST SPECIAL?
- CAN YOU TELL IF THE ARTIST IS IN A CERTAIN ART STYLE (ABSTRACT?, IMPRESSIONISM?, CUBISM?)
- WHAT IS THE SUBJECT MATTER?

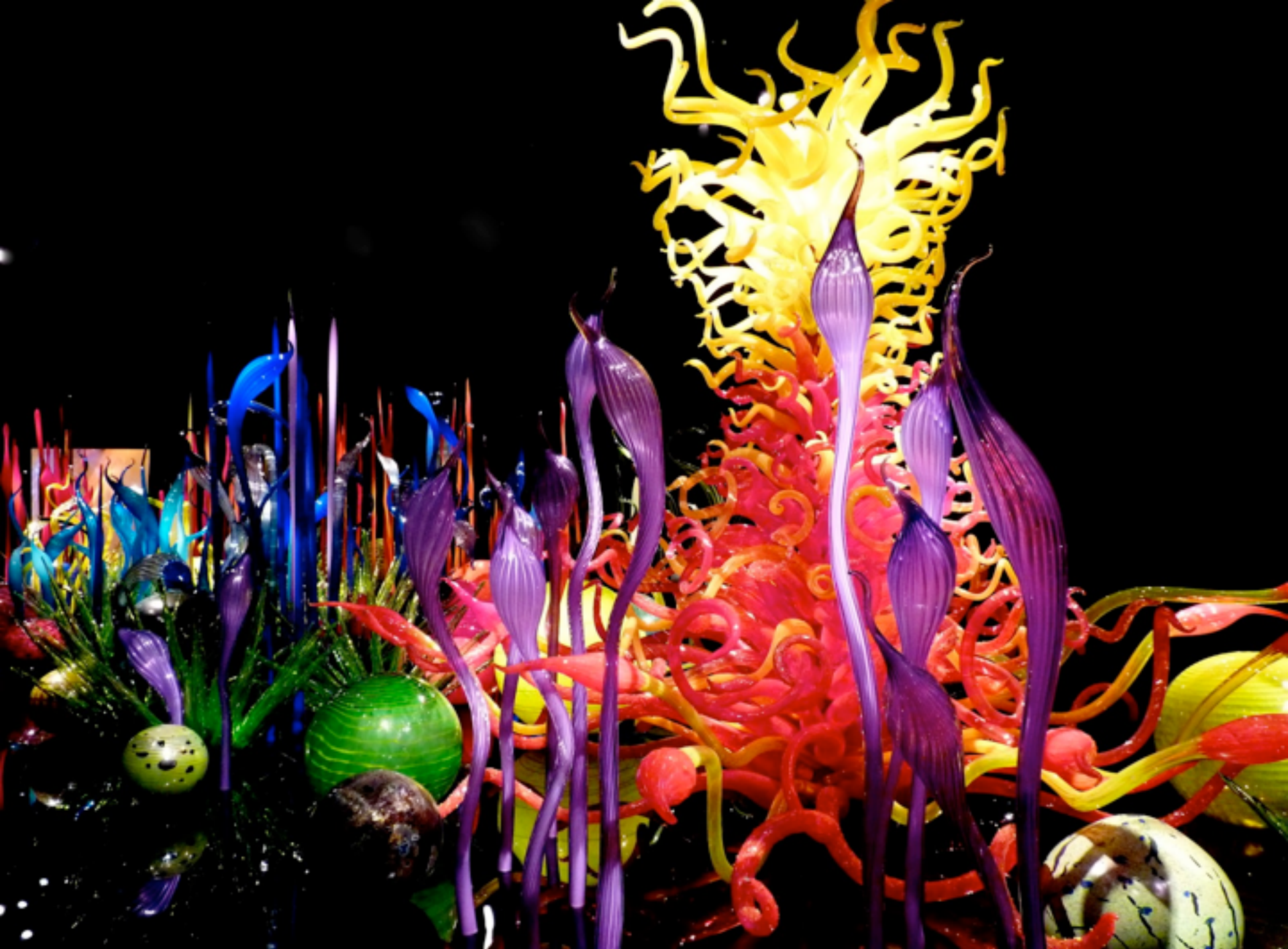




# LET'S TALK ART!

- WHAT DO YOU LIKE ABOUT THIS WORK?
- WHAT STANDS OUT TO YOU? WHERE DOES YOUR EYE GO FIRST?
- WHAT ARE THE SHAPES OR COLORS YOU SEE?





# LET'S TALK ART!

- WHY DO YOU THINK THE ARTIST MADE THIS SCULPTURE?
- WOULD YOU LIKE TO OWN THIS PIECE OF ARTWORK?
- WHAT IS YOUR OVERALL IMPRESSION OF THIS ARTIST?



# LET'S MAKE ART!

- IF YOU WERE ON CHIHULY'S TEAM....WHAT WOULD YOU DESIGN FOR HIM TO MAKE NEXT?
- WHAT KIND OF SHAPES WOULD YOU DRAW? WHAT KIND OF COLORS WOULD YOU USE?
- HOW BIG WOULD YOU MAKE YOUR SCULPTURE?