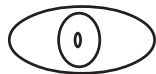


Children's Museum 'fireworks' are spectacular

ART-esian View

BY BRAD EMERSON



If you missed out on your local Fourth of July celebration, then it is still not too late to see some. Though probably different from your idea of fireworks, the Children's Museum of Indianapolis has opened up a gargantuan tower of glass. This glass structure dominates the central five-story atrium of the museum. It towers 43 feet tall and has over 3,200 multicolored individual glass pieces. The pieces range from smooth to twisted pieces. Sizes also range from two to four-foot-long glass pieces called Horns or Goosenecks. Families can see the giant structure of art from many angles by circling it on ramps. Special lights were also installed to help illuminate and bring the glass sculpture to life.

The Fireworks of Glass exhibit opened to the public on Mar. 18, 2006, but can still be seen today. The work of art was crafted and constructed by Dale Chihuly, an artist from Seattle. This structure is the largest permanent work by Chihuly. He has really made a name for himself since first starting to work with glass in the 1960's. Though he is from Seattle, his works of glass art are renowned and sought after from all over the world. Not so much a craftsman, Chihuly and his team of glassblowers



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Artist *Dave Chihuly* smiles while admiring his art. instead create magnificent works of art to demonstrate their wild and inventive creativity. Other Chihuly famous works, such as the Chandeliers, are featured in famous sites of the world like Venice, Italy.

I highly recommend seeing this exhibit, even if you aren't very interested in art. The Children's Museum is not just for little kids, so check it out sometime. For those under 18 years of age, museum admission is under \$10. For those 18 years and older, it is \$12.50.



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The Fireworks of glass towers the central atrium of the museum.

Facts about the Tower

- The largest permanent structure of glass created by artist Dale Chihuly.
- The structure impressively towers 43 feet.
- The Fireworks of Glass's ceiling floats just under the tower and is filled of 1,600 pieces of Chihuly's spectacular series.
- The pieces used to build the tower include styles such as: Sea Tubes, Hornballs, Persians, Putti, Goosenecks, Horns, Ikebana, Macchia, Anemone, Boats, Baskets, Spears, and Nijima Floats.

Fashion of summer 2007 starts new school year

BY JAMEE BARRICK

New school year and new fashion trends go hand-in-hand. Vintage/ Retro look, inspired by the sixties, seventies, eighties; bright colors and bold designs, and a lot of accessories. Colors are also important with blues and greens as of the most popular colors. Many really like the bright colors of the retro look.

Big jewelry handbags and sunglasses are all very popular accessories. Aviator glasses are popular, too. When aviators first appeared in the late 1930's they were worn by women and men who were in the air forces. Aviators come in colors of dark brown or black, and they are very light and sturdy.

"Aviator sunglasses are very cute. I think that they can go with anything and are really hard to break. Unfortunately, I don't have any, but I will," said senior Amanda Mendenhall.

Some of the popular handbags for the summer are Dooney and Bourke and Coach. Many of the most influential styles in the handbags are the 1960's inspired bold colors and plaid patterns. Handbag colors are very dark like dark browns, reds, and black.

"Over size bags are cute I think, but sometimes they are really hard to carry around with everything else I have to carry," said sophomore Amanda



Old Navy

2007 Fall Fashions at Old Navy are for students of all ages and for boys and girls. The most popular article is, as always, the blue jean, paired with colorful shirts and jackets.

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Girlawhirl loves a comfy sweater, and this fall girls have many ways to wear sweaters. For curling up in front of the fire, there's the ombre striped oversized cable from Michael Kors. For a meeting, the fashionable women can slip on one of Tibi's pullovers with its very own tie. Lela Rose had the perfect black cardigan, and Charles Nolan's grandfather cardigan can do

double duty as a sweater coat. But the

green pea coat inspired sweater from Chaiken is sure to be on the top of Girlawhirl's gotta-have-it-list for Fall 07.

High waists in pants and skirts are back. The newest look in pants was a wider leg from just a little bit swingy at Nanette Lepore to super wide at Diane von Furstenberg. Skirts, some still with a little bit of volume at the hips, crept up to the natural waistline. Everything was pulled together with belts.

The classic combination of the white blouse and a black high waisted knee length skirt with a skinny black belt was a sure-fire hit at Ralph Lauren.