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This is the first time a glass artist has designed for the hotel



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Glass art has no reservations

An unconventional artist is smashing it at the Motif Seattle hotel

FOR THE PAST THREE YEARS, Motif Seattle has handpicked local artists to imbue the eclectic boutique hotel's walls, stationery, room keys, staff uniforms and other spaces with their unique visions. After hosting fashion designer Jordan Christianson and paper-cut maven Celeste Cooning for its artist-in-residency program, the property's latest choice is set to shatter expectations: famed glass artist Julie Conway.

"I was like, 'Oh, my goodness. Are you sure you want me?'" says Conway, whose prolific

20-year career creating colorful glass sculptures has taken her around the world. "I literally make my work with fire."

Artist Julie Conway created a graphic inspired by light rays



Beginning this month, an arrangement of Conway's key-filled glass ornaments will be displayed outside the hotel restaurant in time for the holidays, while one of her famous tulip-shaped chandeliers is scheduled to check into the lobby.

During her tenure, Conway will host guests at her studio for live demonstrations and outfit the hotel with new imagery inspired by the patterns that refract through her seminal chandeliers. "I look at glass like a liquid that light goes through," she says. "I focus on the pattern the glass will make and the effect it will have on a room."

For visitors who want to take Conway's work home with them, a lobby pop-up shop will sell some of her creations. —JESS SWANSON
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You can misbehave at this show

After conquering New York, the colorful 29Rooms exhibition heads to Los Angeles

Whether they're jumping around a room filled with pillows or being showered inside a human car wash, guests—and their imaginations—are invited to run wild inside 29Rooms. After three sold-out years in New York, the out-there art installation is coming to Los Angeles for the first time beginning Dec. 7. The West Coast show will introduce 12 new spaces and recreate some of New York's most popular rooms. Refinery29 created it as an IRL extension of the digital media brand. "We wanted a space where you can punch, wear and ride the art," says Refinery29 co-founder Piera Gelardi, who adds it's not just an environment for Instagram. "It's also a stage for creation."
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