

The IQLM Award

Recognizing Excellence in Practice with Excellence in Art

A highlight of the first day of the IQLM inaugural conference recognizes individuals whose innovative contributions have significantly advanced improvements in laboratory medicine. IQLM will present each recipient with a Fräbel signature piece of glass art in recognition of their innovative contributions. This unique work of art depicts “Q” (Quality in healthcare) emerging from “” signifying bonding among healthcare professionals and delivery systems, device/technology manufacturers, and government agencies



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IQLM chose to commission the Atlanta-based Fräbel Studio to create the IQLM award because of its worldwide reputation in glass art, with collectors that include U.S. Presidents, Pope John Paul II, Queen Elizabeth II, as well as many world-famous museums. Paul Gardner, late curator of Ceramics and Glass at the Smithsonian Institution, referred to Fräbel and his artistic contemporaries as achieving “a degree of artistic excellence rivaling some of the best glass art of the past.” The IQLM award design is the creation of Anne Sutherland, member of the Frabel design staff and an accomplished artist in her own right with exhibitions both in the US and the Philippines. Hung Nguyen, a refugee from North Vietnam who rose from apprentice to Master Craftsman under the training of the gifted Hans Frabel, transformed Ms. Sutherland’s creative design into a work of artistic excellence.



The Frabel Studio and its resident artists have definitely created an IQLM award that honors individual achievement and excellence in practice with excellence in art.



Hung Nguyen, Award Artist

We are grateful to The Dark Report’s generous contribution in support of IQLM’s commission and presentation of these Fräbel-sculptured awards. The Frabel glass sculpture symbolizes IQLM’s mission of providing a forum where the bonding of healthcare partners will result in collaboration, communication, and translation of best practices and innovations in the field of laboratory medicine into advancing improved quality and safety in patient care.