

GLASSOLOGY

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KATE GERWIN

WINS GLASSOLOGY BY ONIS DESIGN CONTEST 2023



Athens, November 8th: Kate Gerwin from the USA has been named the winner of the Glassology by ONIS third edition, with her Design, *The Glitch*. The finals were held on November 06th in Athens, Greece and the winner's announcement took place during the renowned Athens Bar Show on the 7th.

On November 6, six finalists presented their design and how it elevates the drinking experience, with a drink served in the replica of the glass they designed. After a tough judging session, the judges agreed that Kate Gerwin deserved the trophy.

"It was a close call, but there could be only 1 winner. Kate's design showed that within the Glassology Design Contest, we can think outside of the box and re-invent classics, even in glassware," said Nairi Mehrabi, LCGlass Marketing Director.

Kate is a widely celebrated bartender and hospitality consultant from the USA, and owner of Happy Accidents bar in Albuquerque; she is well-known in the drinks industry for being the first woman world champion and is now the first woman to win Glassology by ONIS design contest.

She describes her design, *The Glitch*, as alternative, unique, artful, and functional. Her inspiration came from *Eero Aarnio*, a designer known for his unique and functional designs.

"I am passionate about design which is different and playful, but at the same time functional. I love serving cocktails in a Collins glass with a clear, spherical ice cube. However, the standard cube can sometimes hide the cocktail's color. The Glitch's unique design allows the cube to slide down, preserving the drink's integrity and showcasing its vibrant colors," said Kate.

As the winner, Kate will have her design taken into production with her signature to be sold all over the globe by ONIS, and will have an active role in promoting it. In addition, Kate will be a jury member during the next edition of the contest, receive 250 glasses of her design, and act as the Glassology by ONIS Ambassador at the renowned Bar Convent Brooklyn in 2024.

As Kate states, "winning this competition is not only an honor but a dream. As bartenders, we always look for ways to make our drinks shine, and glassware is so important to our creative process. Having the opportunity to create my own design and see it produced for the world is indescribable. I'm overwhelmed with gratitude for the chance to compete with such incredible bartenders who are so talented. What an experience!"

If you have any questions, you can reach out to the Glassology Team via glassology@onis.eu

ABOUT GLASSOLOGY

At Onis, we know the power of glass to make a good drink a great one. We're constantly searching for the next big thing in glassware – and looking to the world's best bar professionals to join us in creating it. In 2015, the first Glassology Design Contest was held, and has crowned names such as Robert Schinkel with his "Tulip Punch Bowl" and Yochen Verbeeck with his "The Gats" tumbler.

After the dust of the third edition has settled down, and Kate's glass is produced in one of LCGlass's factories, ONIS will promote a fourth edition of the competition. With interest growing across the globe, the fourth edition promises to be another step forward. Follow us at [@glassology_by_onis](https://www.instagram.com/glassology_by_onis) and [@onis_glass](https://www.instagram.com/onis_glass) to be informed about the upcoming edition be inspired with cocktail recipes and presentations from leading professionals across the globe.

THE JURY

The 2023 panel of judges gathered experts from the hospitality and glass industries:

- Nairi Mehrabi, Marketing Director Leerdam Crisal Glass.
- Yochen Verbeeck, Winner of Glassology 2nd edition.
- Danil Nevsky, Founder and CEO of Indie Bartender.
- Shingo Gokan, Founder & representative of SG Group.
- Dean Callan, Host of the Dean Callan Show.
- Marco Lopulalan, Master Glassblower.

ABOUT ONIS:

ONIS is the new brand of two European glassmakers, who brought authenticity and uniqueness to glassmaking. Continuing to design outspoken glassware with a statement to bars, hotels, and restaurants, inspiring professionals to add value to drink creations.

All details count when creating that ultimate drinking experience, where the glass is the finishing touch.

ONIS always has the right glassware. From durable pieces that are practical to use and meet the highest professional standards to iconic classics stylishly fitting all venues, resulting in the perfect serve.

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