

• Special to the Daily Leader A passion for glass is very apparent in the artwork of the Sheafor Family members' upcoming exhibit at the Baker Arts Center. In a unique combination of glass media, they express their skills at manipulating the properties of color and light inherent in the molten crystal. They admit that working in glass is their favorite way to play.

Doug Sheafor of Topeka, the head of the family, creates blown glass forms; son Nathan Sheafor of Grants Pass, Ore., also does blown forms; Michele Yarbrough, Nathan's wife, works with fused and stained glass; Alison Sheafor-Joy of Arlington, Wash., does flameworking beaded glass and sculptural forms with a torch, while her husband, Mark Joy, creates neon artwork. Alison will be demonstrating her craft at the show opening reception from 5 to 7 p.m. Saturday. The exhibit will be on display from Saturday through Oct. 9.

The Baker Arts Center is located at 624 N. Pershing in Liberal. Gallery hours are Tuesday through Friday from 9 to 12 and 1 to 5, Saturday from 2 to 5 and is closed on Sunday and Monday. For more information contact the Center at 624-2810 or e-mail bakerartscenter3@sbcglobal.net or visit www.bakerartscenter.org.