

# Neela Chatakondur



## Fused glass artist

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## Biography

My other job is a GP. In 2015, my partner's parents came to stay as they both had dementia and we tried to find a safe placement for them. They stayed for over 6 months and to relieve some of the stress, I started to make fused glass with a microwave kiln and taught myself via you tube videos and plenty of mistakes!

I love the colours and the sparkle from fused glass and I also love creating gifts with a personal nature. As friends and family liked what I was creating, I started to sell in craft fairs and on Etsy. In 2019, I found a shop in Rufus Court and started Glass Deva. Deva is the old name for Chester and it also means 'shining or divine' in Sanskrit.

I design fused glass greeting cards and sell across the UK and specialise in unique fused glass name frames and Chester tourist gifts. I also run Make It Glass Deva, where you can design small glass panels and glass pictures from age 6 and over.