

Project Summary File:

Innovation is often seeing old ideas in new light. Glass has been a part of human civilization for over 4000 years. An ancient material, spewed from volcanos or found when lightning strikes on a beach or from the furnace of glass blowers and fiber optic mills, is a primordial material that continues to change our lives.

From obsidian glass axes and knives that Native American's traded with to the development of fiber optic cables that have connected our digital world, glass is an integral part of our world. It has given us the ability to see beyond the horizon, look at the microscopic world, communicate around the world with the speed of light and assist me in reading the newspaper, glass has had a special place in innovation.