



**Manitoba Arts Council
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**2011 MAJOR ARTS GRANT
IONE THORKELSSON
GLASS SCULPTOR**



photographer: the artist

Ione Thorkelsson operates one of Canada's longest continuously running glass studios. Over her forty- year career, she has received many honours, most recently the 2010 Governor General's (Saidye Bronfman) Award.

PROJECT: In her continuing investigation of the unintended consequences of human intervention in the natural world, Thorkelsson will be working towards a major installation about beginnings. Incorporating several technical innovations she has developed, this preliminary body of work will consist of a series of large suspended spheres with embedded illumination, and natural and salvaged manufactured components.