

Turning Waste Car Glass into Best of Belron 2024 Awards

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The Best of Belron 2024, a prestigious event celebrating excellence in vehicle glass repair and replacement, was held in Lisbon, Portugal. This event brought together top technicians from around the world to compete for the title of 'Best of Belron'. Over two days, participants demonstrated their expertise in a series of challenges, showcasing technical skills and customer service. The event also featured a conference with industry leaders discussing future trends and challenges, making it a hub for innovation and excellence.

This year, Oseng-Rees Reflection was chosen to craft the award trophies, medallions, and speaker gifts from waste car glass, adding an environmentally conscious element to the celebration.

The Winners

1st Place David Chester from Belron® Canada

2nd Place George Pim from Autoglass® UK

3rd Place Andrej Zavsek from Carglass® Slovenia

Innovative Use of Waste Car Glass

In an industry often associated with waste, the decision to repurpose waste car glass into award trophies was both symbolic and innovative. Oseng-Rees Reflection undertook extensive research and development to refine the process of crafting distinctive trophies from waste car glass. This project highlighted the variability in car glass concerning cleanliness, transparency, and composition. Among the fascinating glass specimens produced during experimentation was a unique polka dot texture reminiscent of the original black paint on the glass.

By transforming waste car glass into prestigious awards, the Best of Belron 2024 not only celebrated technical excellence but also underscored a commitment to sustainability and environmental consciousness.

“As part of the Best of Belron team I contacted Tyra to see if she could design and create a unique trophy for Belron’s Premier Event the Best of Belron 2024 in Lisbon, Portugal. Tyra supported our business principles and aligned the trophies to the spirit of the best of Belron awards. She worked so hard to support us deciding the trophies and texture. Being Belron we threw in some of our own requirements and expectations which was never an issue. Using broken toughened glass from the Autoglass business Tyra provided several options all stunning. We agreed on the design and finish. The results were stunning as you can see from the images posted online. We had tremendous feedback from everyone who has seen and touched the trophies. Tyra is a true genius from the concept of using glass to the final product, we are so proud we chose Tyra for our event.”

Tim Camm
Technical Lead BOB2024
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Figure 1, The Winner, 1st Place David Chester from Belron® Canada



Figure 2, Award trophy: Waterjet cut, polished, printed, and layered on a wooden stand. Dimensions: 280mm H x 140mm W, featuring three layers of 12mm thick glass.



Figure 3, Award trophies: Waterjet cut, polished, printed, and layered on a wooden stand. Dimensions: Large: 280mm H x 140mm W, featuring three layers of 12mm thick glass. Small: 224mm H x 112mm W, featuring three layers of 12mm thick glass:



Figure 4, Award trophies: Waterjet cut, polished, printed, and layered on a wooden stand.



Figure 5, Medallion for all participants



Figure 6, Speaker's gift made for all presenters



Figure 7, Waste car glass turning into awards



Figure 8, Test specimens: Black privacy glass on the left and green-tinted glass with distinctive black edge paint on the right.



Figure 9, R&D experimental, using black, white and green glass for exploration