The Biophilia Hypothesis Comes to the Periodic Table

Deborah Springstead Ford
and special invited glass artist, Jordan Ford

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Gallery Exhibit Opening Reception
Friday, October 25, 2019, 5:00 - 7:30PM
Artist Talk @ 6:30PM

In her exhibit, Deborah Ford connects the ideas of E.O. Wilson to the chemistry of life. Wilson, who in his Pulitzer Prize winning book, "Biophilia," suggests that humans seek a bond with other species and that we may even require it for a healthy existence. While, the periodic table is a reference to four elements at the core of life’s sustaining cycles and processes.

The photographs created in and around Yellowstone National Park, reveal the intense colors that result from the interactions of minerals, bacteria and archae (bacteria-like organisms) found in geothermal water. Research has revealed that some of these microorganisms are among the world’s oldest life forms and that the sulfuric pools may resemble early Earth.

Exhibit Hours: 11:00AM - 4:00PM, Tuesday - Friday