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Join FGIA for Two Skills Challenges Focused on Residential Installation and Insulating Glass at GlassBuild America

SCHAUMBURG, IL – New for 2025, [GlassBuild America: The Glass, Window & Door Expo](https://www.glassbuildamerica.com/) is hosting an industry [Skills Challenge](https://www.glassbuildamerica.com/news/new-glassbuild-skills-challenge). This event is open to tradeshow attendees who seek to test their skills, learn tips from industry experts, network with peers and win prizes. FGIA will host two challenges during this event, which will take place during the first two days of the show. GlassBuild will be held November 4-6 at the Orange County Convention Center in Orlando, FL.

“FGIA is proud to be a part of the inaugural Skills Challenge at GlassBuild,” said Janice Yglesias, FGIA Executive Director. “Show off your knowledge of proper flashing for window installation on day one and test your experience in identifying insulating glass unit failures on day two. Or, learn how to do both from the best in the industry.”

**Day One: InstallationMasters® | Proper Sill Pan and Self-Adhering Flashing Applications**

On November 4, FGIA will be hosting a skills challenge called, “InstallationMasters® | Proper Sill Pan and Self-Adhering Flashing Applications.” InstallationMasters covers industry-accepted installation practices for windows and exterior glass doors in residential and light commercial markets. This interactive skills challenge focuses on best practices for proper residential window installation techniques, based on FMA/AAMA 100, *Standard Practice for the Installation of Windows with Flanges or Mounting Fins in Wood Frame Construction for Extreme Wind/Water Conditions*. Two stations will allow participants to test their talents at creating a flexible sill pan and applying self-adhering flashing. Three winners will be selected, and each will receive a free Fundamentals of Fenestration online education course.

**Day Two: identifying Flaws in Insulating Glass Units (IGUs)**

On November 5, FGIA will host a version of the popular IG Fabricators Workshop. Led by industry experts, the workshop addresses best practices for the most important aspects of fabricating and testing insulating glass units. This interactive skills challenge includes two stations from the two-and-a-half-day workshop, focused on ensuring proper sealant mix and identifying flaws in IGUs. The forensic investigation performed at the workshop is a participant favorite and tests your knowledge of identifying failures to avoid these in the future and maximize the effectiveness of an IGU. Three winners will be selected, and each will receive a free Fundamentals of Insulating Glass online education course.

[Registration](https://www.glassbuildamerica.com/registration) for GlassBuild is now open.

For more information about FGIA education, visit [FGIAonline.org/education](https://fgiaonline.org/education).

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