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**Mosaics- Found Objects from Nature and your Attic**

All Levels on Zoom

**Tuesdays, Oct 13, 20, 27, Nov 3, 10 Am to 12 Noon**

This class is an introduction to mosaics in a non-traditional, fun way where you can create your piece at home. Using materials found during a walk on the beach or a clean-out in your attic or closet, we will create an exciting mosaic piece. You may use a flat wood panel or a jug or bottle as your substrate. Typical mosaic tools like Nippers, cutting tools or purchased glass or mosaic tiles are not required and other materials needed can be easily purchased at a hardware store. A few supplies, a place to work and follow along on Zoom and you will be creating a mosaic from collected treasures.

Course Objective:

Given the parameters of the COVID virus and social distancing, our goal is to introduce you to mosaics in a non-traditional, fun way where you can create your piece at home and discuss on Zoom. By the end of this course, you may decide to continue on using different found objects and substrates for a new piece or you may decide to invest in some of the typical cutting tools that allow you to cut mosaic tesserae from old china and ceramics and/or invest in some of the glass mosaic tiles, Smalti and other on-line products to mosaic furniture pieces, wall-hung pieces or a wide variety of other mosaic objects.

Instructor Biography:

Carol Chew is a mosaic and pastel artist who is known for her glass mosaics. In March, 2018, she completed 20 years teaching Interior Design at Drexel University and 12 years teaching Creative Arts in the Philadelphia School System. Carol and her husband relocated to Jamestown, RI in July 2019, where she and her family have spent many summers.

Carol is passionate about mosaics as it is an art form that is accessible to students of all skill levels. The artist can explore color, pattern and texture in both realistic and abstract design styles without being inhibited by the ability to draw.

**Materials Student will need to provide:**

**Thinset** White, Grey or Black, 1 gallon \$21.80 at Home Depot

Additional colors can be mixed with white Thinset and purchased colorants. We will discuss this during Class 1.

**Weldbond Adhesive**, 5.4 oz bottle, \$6.03 at Home Depot

**Premier Wood Panel**, Traditional Cradled Frame, size TBD by student,

**Dick Blick** is an on-line art supply company that carries a wide variety of sizes and square and rectangular shapes available. Here are 2 examples.

8"x8"x7/8" \$10.83

10"x10"x7/8" \$13.76

**OR**

Found/purchased jug 6"-8" diameter by 10"-12" high

Large plastic container (used yogurt container or similar with top) to mix Thinset with colorant

Disposable plastic/vinyl gloves for Thinset application

Blue painters' tape to protect found objects where needed

Popsicle sticks for mixing Thinset.

Home workspace:

Laptop for connection to Zoom and seating or standing height work area

Horizontal workspace with newspaper to protect worksurface.

Access to water for clean-up.