



## Celebration of Color Mosaic Workshop in Provence with Valérie Nicoladzé and Laurel True

**October 17 - 24, 2015**

Experience the **colors of fall** in the South of France during this inspiring, week-long workshop and tour.

Mosaic artists Laurel True and Valerie Nicoladzé welcome you to explore and celebrate color and **creativity** through mosaics at

Valerie's Esprit Mosaïque Studio, near Avignon, in the heart of Provence. Each instructor brings her own style and flair to the workshop, offering students various inspirations and signature lessons. Workshop includes hands-on studio time with lots of time to create. Students will explore several mosaic-making techniques, focusing on a project utilizing a unique, pigmented cement background, which will be created with local earth pigments.

Esprit Mosaïque Studio is full of **joyful color** and provides a welcoming place to learn, create and spend time in community with other mosaic enthusiasts. Students have access to a huge array of colorful materials to work with including drawers and drawers full of colorful and **exotic** materials from all over the world for use in the creation of their mosaics.

Special exercises will include experiments with texture, use of pigmented mortar beds, and combining materials for interesting effects.

Each student will work according to their experience level, and all level of students are welcome.

In addition to enjoying time in the studio, participants will have the chance to eat delicious farm-to-table meals together, stay in a cool Provincial hotel, tour Avignon, and take a very special class on the use of color and **natural pigments** at the world renown *Conservatoire a des Ogres*, an atelier located in the rustic countryside near Roussillon, where ocre and natural pigments have been mined for centuries.

A walking tour of the amazing pigmented rock formations in Roussillon will inspire the senses. The nearby village has great shops selling rare and beautiful pigments, as well as boutiques featuring local wine, cheese and olive oil.

The week will culminate with a **celebration of color** at a garden party and afternoon wine tasting at the home of Valerie and her family.

"We hope you can join us on this colorful journey of creative exploration and sensory enjoyment! You'll leave Provence refreshed, truly inspired and feeling like family... the good kind!"

**Cost of trip:**

1895 Euro (\$2550, check current exchange rates [here](#).)

Investment includes: Mosaic workshop instruction Accommodations for 8 nights (based on double occupancy, we can help coordinate, single room extra: € 2040 / \$ 2750)

Transportation from train station or Avignon airport and to and from workshop

Breakfast and lunches (except for arrival Sunday)

Provincial garden party at Valerie's

All touristic visits

Wine tasting

Cost does not include flight, dinners or personal expenses.

Valerie and Laurel are bi-lingual and workshop and activities will be in English and French.



Laurel TRUE & Valérie NICOLADZE		October 17th to 24th 2015					
Mosaic Adventure - Celebration of Colors -							
Price : 2550 \$ / 1895 € ( in twin room / 8 nights)				6 availabilities for single room at : 2750 \$ / 2040 €			
ARRIVAL DAY	Meeting 9 :45	Meeting 8 :45	Meeting 8 :00	Meeting 8 :45	Meeting 8 :45	Meeting 8 :45	Meeting 9 :15
Saturd. 17	Sunday 18	Monday 19	Tuesday 20	Wednesd. 21	Thursday 22	Friday 23	Saturday 24
	10 /12 Short Flat studio time	9 :00 /12 :00 STUDIO TIME 1	Touristic Day ROUSSILLON Ochres Footpath	9 :00 /12 :00 STUDIO TIME 4	9 :00 /12 :00 STUDIO TIME 7	9 :00 /12 :00 STUDIO TIME 9	9 :30 /12 :00 STUDIO TIME 11
	Avignon Lunch Together (not included)	Restaurant La Strada	Roussillon Restaurant	Restaurant La Strada	Restaurant La Strada	Restaurant La Strada	WINE TASTING PROVENÇAL GARDEN PARTY
Arrival and Transfer to the hotel 2 pick up times	Self tour in Avignon	1:30 /4:15 STUDIO TIME 2	Conservatoir e des ocres & Atelier des couleurs	1:30 /4:15 STUDIO TIME 5	1:30 /4:30 STUDIO TIME 8	1:30 /4:30 STUDIO TIME 10	Bye Bye
		4 :30/8 :30 Optional evening STUDIO TIME 3		4 :30/8 :30 Optional evening STUDIO TIME 6			

To register for this workshop, please e-mail Valerie Nicoladzé at: [espritmosaique@free.fr](mailto:espritmosaique@free.fr)  
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