



Laurel TRUE In Provence !



Mosaic Mural Making Masterclass Hosted by Esprit Mosaïque Studio September 17 - 21 2024

Learn to make a beautiful mosaic mural as part of a co-creative process.

Join American mosaic artist Laurel True, in the south of France, at the Esprit Mosaïque workshop for an exceptional mosaic mural master class.

Enjoy the late summer in Provence and experience a wonderful week of creation, unique in France, in a group, by creating and installing a wall mosaic together, guided by an expert in the field! You will learn the particular techniques that Laurel has developed for more than 30 years to create mosaic murals around the world.

Her experience and great expertise will provide you with the necessary skills to learn the whole process of a mosaic mural creation and will immerse you in the exhilarating atmosphere of collective creation!

Accessible to people of all levels, this experience will allow you to consider future projects, whether in a professional or private context, on a large or small scale.

The skills required to create a wall mosaic are numerous and essential to master a long-term and technically impeccable project. They will be developed during the week, from the design of the project, the selection of materials, the organization necessary to set up a project, the practical realization of the mosaic and the techniques of permanent installation. The students will work as a group, under the guidance of Laurel to create a mural that will be installed at the end of the course, by the group, in the neighborhood.

The students will work with a wide variety of materials: tiles, glass and mirror, using all the specific tools. They will learn about cutting and precision techniques, using the technique known as the Tile Tape Method.

The workshop includes step-by-step instructions on the specific process of creating a mosaic mural as well as technical demonstrations of the use of tools, methods of realization for larger works and all explanations on the best practices and techniques of installation, grouting for all mosaic projects.



This week will be absolutely exceptional, both for its intense and professional content, its unique artistic and technical proposals in France, and for the fascinating personality of the artist Laurel True, whose world experience is no longer to be demonstrated; but also by the welcome at Esprit Mosaïque studio, Ali Baba's cave, super equipped, conducive to a collective and friendly atmosphere.

Topics covered:

- Designing for mosaic murals
- Design transfer techniques
- Sourcing materials
- Coding and mapping techniques for larger work
- Working with materials of different heights and shapes
- Understanding which materials can be used in exterior applications
- Cutting and setting mirror to create beautiful line work
- Special considerations for working with mirror
- Using the Tile Tape Method to create murals (and why Laurel likes it better than mesh)
- Substrates, adhesives, and environmental considerations for murals
- Tips and tricks for painless installation
- Working effectively as a team



Tuesday, September 17 - Saturday, September 21, 2024 –

9 - 4 pm (1h lunch break)

Cost : **750 €**

Deposit of 200€ at registration to reserve a place, balance by the end of July at the latest.

Registration: Registration form available on request and on the Esprit Mosaïque website www.espritmosaique.fr

Mosaic Mural Making at Esprit Mosaïque Cancellation Policy 2024

Class fee is refundable up to 30 days before workshop start date, minus the deposit . After this time fees paid are non-refundable and no credits will be given. No exceptions will be made to cancellation policy. Should workshop be cancelled by Esprit Mosaïque Studio, the entire amount paid will be refunded within 14 days. Esprit Mosaïque Studio, shall have no obligation regarding any additional costs or fees related to travel reservations.

ESPRIT MOSAIQUE STUDIO www.espritmosaique.fr

ESPRIT MOSAIQUE studio is located at the gates of Avignon, in the village of Les Angles (30133) The workplace of Valérie Nicoladzé, mosaicist, since January 2010, regularly opens its doors to mosaicists from France and the world.

It is a place of creation, exchange and sharing, perfectly equipped, full of various materials, tools .

It is a real place of inspiration,, very well located in a booming district, close to shops and well served by public transport.

The 1-hour meal break is taken according to everyone's desires, in the studio or outside, in one of the many places of restoration of the district. An accommodation sheet for travelers is available at registration, with our preferred addresses and all logistical Information.



Teaching Artist Laurel TRUE:

Laurel True is an American artist, dedicated to the visual arts and specifically to large-scale mosaic. (www.truemosaics.com) An outstanding teacher and community project organizer for over 30 years, she is an expert in mosaic murals. Her work explores the interplay between creative expression and well-being.

Her company True Mosaics Studio, and her non-profit organization Global Mosaic Project have orchestrated an impressive number of murals, public and private art and architectural mosaics, almost always driven by social engagement. She has created and implemented hundreds of projects in the United States, Haiti, Latin America, Africa, and Europe. Her workshop, eminently professional and extremely lively, honed with years of experience and an online business class, will be a 1st in France!

Laurel and Valérie met in 2012 and for the past 14 years, have multiplied opportunities for achievements and travels, experiencing a real pleasure in working together, strengthening a strong bond of friendship both professional and personal. For the past 12 years, they have, among other things, organized together in Provence, a very special retreat « Celebration of Color », which has been a great success for more than 10 years. It is a great pleasure and honor for Esprit Mosaïque Studio to welcome Laurel for this unique workshop! No student will regret this special week!

