



Smithsonian Associates

Contemporary Mosaics: Ancient Motifs, Modern Materials

with Bonnie Fitzgerald

This course will use modern unglazed porcelain tiles with designs inspired by ancient mosaics. The workshop goal is for students to master the direct technique of mosaic fabrication.

KITS AND TOOLS

Make it Mosaic kits were designed by instructor Bonnie Fitzgerald specifically as a place to comfortably “jump into mosaics” without concerns about ordering materials, what adhesives to use, design challenges, and countless other considerations.

For this course, students new to mosaics are **REQUIRED** to purchase one of the Make it Mosaic kits. A 10% discount is being extended to students for the purchase of your kit and tool.

[Witsend Mosaics](#) DISCOUNT CODE: MakeitKit

In addition to the kit, you will need a LePonitt or SeaBell wheel tool. You can easily purchase either of these tools at the time of your kit purchase from [Witsend Mosaic](#). Or you can purchase a LePonitt nipper on Amazon: [Click here to Amazon](#).

PLEASE PURCHASE EITHER LEPONITT WHEEL TOOL or SEABELL; THEY ARE EXCELLENT INVESTMENTS! Good tools make our work easier and more enjoyable. Always buy the best tool you can afford.

Other tools and supplies:

- Safety glasses
- Apron
- Tweezers [Click here - Witsend](#)
- Kit contents (tiles, Weldbond Adhesive, wood frame, transfer paper, pattern, sponge)
- Pencil
- Scissors
- Paint or stain for wood frame
- Safety Mask (for mixing grout)

We grout at the final meeting.

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SETTING UP YOUR WORKSPACE FOR CLASS

Please DO NOT use your phone as the primary viewing of the online class; a desk computer, laptop, or tablet will give you a more pleasurable experience. A desk lamp will be helpful.

To work along during class, you will need a covered flat surface and your kit supplies handy. This can be a temporary setup if you are doing this from your home office, cover your desktop with a newspaper. You don't need much space; our projects are relatively small.

Any questions or concerns feel free to drop me a note: bonnie@maverickmosaics.com

ANCIENT MOTIFS, MODERN MATERIALS UNGALZED PORCELAIN (10" x 10")



Kits above in order of level of difficulty.