



Art & Creativity

Mosaics

Reason for Class

Reason:

The purpose of this class is to introduce students to the history, practice, and various techniques of mosaic art

Grant Outcomes:

Academic Success

Students will exercise perception, intuition, creativity, and problem solving skills to translate images into mosaics

Improved Non-Cognitive Skills

Through perseverance and resilience students will exercise creativity to produce art to be taken home to show to their friends and family resulting in an improved self image

Class Structure

Week #1:

- What is a mosaic?
- Discuss different types of mosaics (styles, art, history, what your class will make).
- Explore and start mini mosaics with paper (5x7).

Week #2:

- Nature Mosaic

Week #3:

- Mason Jars

Week #4:

- Paint Mosaics

Week #5:

- Self Portrait Mosaics

Week #6: Finish any uncompleted projects



Welcome to Mosaics

Week #1: What is a mosaic?



Mosaic is the art of creating images with an assemblage of small pieces of colored glass, stone, or other materials.



What kind of supplies can you use for a mosaic?

What type of supplies would you like to use?

Mini Mosaics



Creative Challenge:

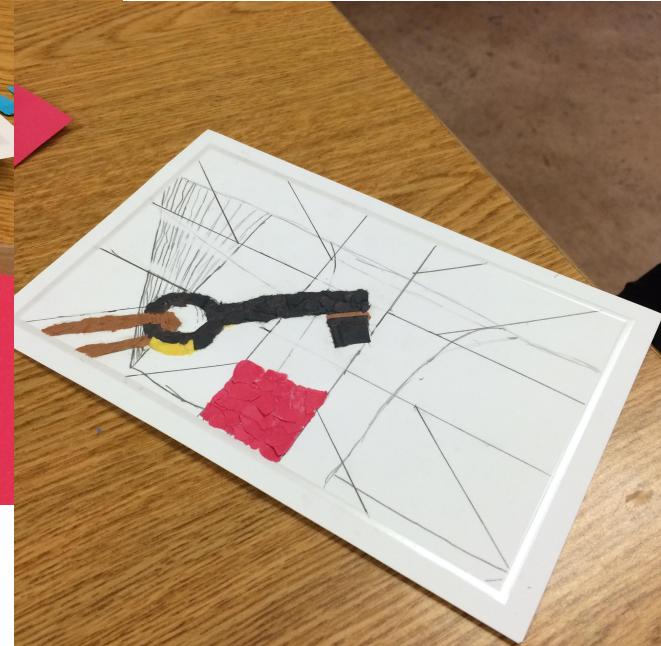
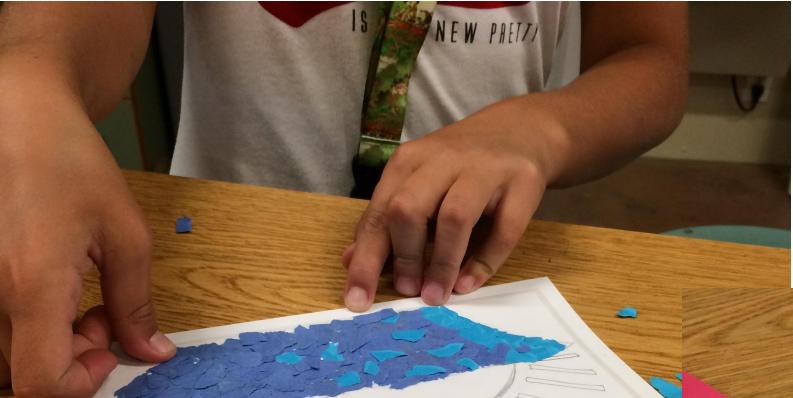
We will create a mini mosaic on a 5x7 white piece of thick stock paper. Gently trace out an outline of your mosaic design.

This could be a pattern, animal, landscape or any other item.

Once you have your mini picture drawn decide what colors you will need. You will need to tear a half sheet of each color into small pieces (about the size of a pinky fingernail).

Gently start gluing your small pieces of paper to the mosaic. You can create shades and outlines with lighter and darker shades of the same paper color.





Week #2: Nature Mosaic



Creative Challenge:

Take first day to collect flower petals, grass, leaves and other nature filled objects.

On the second day, gently tear up collected items into pinky fingernail sized pieces.

Draw out your picture outline (anything you want it to be) and get ready to glue your nature items together into a beautiful nature inspired mosaic.





Week #3: Mason Jar Mosaic

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it all started *with paint*

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MASON JARS



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Creative Challenge:

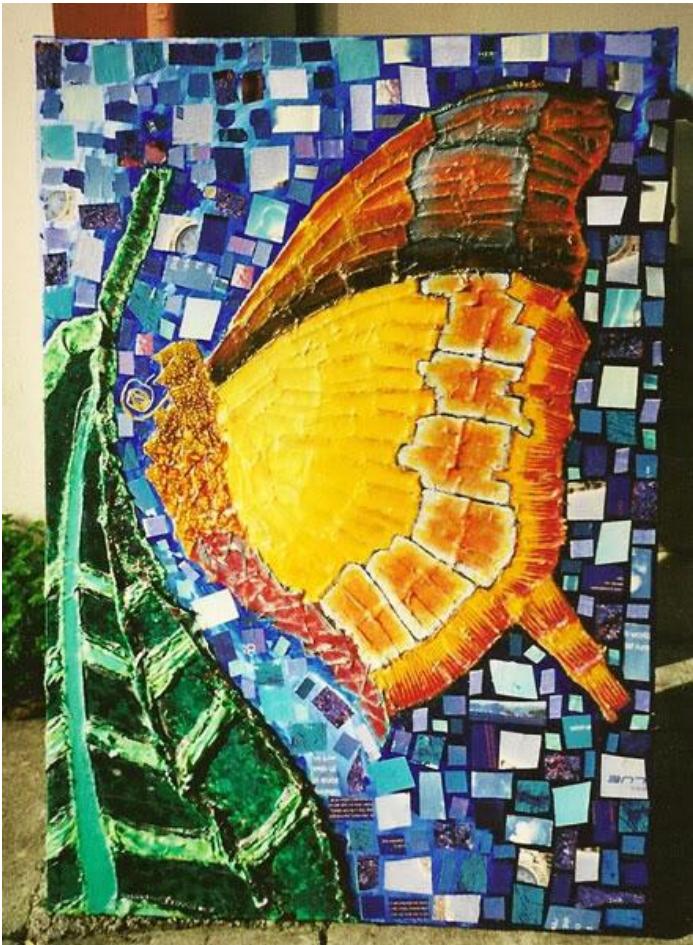
How do you want to turn your mason jar into a mosaic?

What materials would you like to use?

Make a design on the table with your materials, transfer design onto the mason jar with glue or paint (depending on the material used).

Week #4: Paint Mosaics





Creative Challenge:

Pick a landscape, cityscape or animal to draw.

Lightly trace an outline and then water use watercolors to paint your picture.

Once the picture is painted and dried, use some small pieces of teared paper to create a 3D effect of your painted mosaic.

Week #5: Self Portraits Mosaic



Creative Challenge:

Take a fun normal photo of yourself. Once it is printed out, we will use paper to create a mosaic of yourself!

Your self portrait from the neck up or from your torso up.

Make sure you reference the photo while making your self portrait.



Materials & Supplies

- *Tons of construction paper of different colors and shades (original, neon, bright, etc).*
- Glue sticks
- Card stock (5x7)
- Regular card stock (8x10)
- Mason Jars
- Ziploc bags

Pro Tips by Gentry Holbrook

- *If kids are a week behind on the project, feel free to let them continue that same project the next week. However, on the nature project they will need to go out with the group the first day to collect their items.*
- Don't let kids get discouraged. Some of them see the video and get overwhelmed that they need to make something huge. This is not the case, start with the mini mosaics to ease them into the class and activity.
- Use a ziploc bag with their names on it to keep all their pieces of paper together and in order. This is easy for them to reference.
- While doing the mason jar mosaics, use hot glue to get the items to stick (unless they are painting a mosaic on).

Resources:

- <http://www.ancient.eu/Mosaic/>
- <http://lava360.com/30-mindblowing-examples-of-paper-mosaic-portraits/3/>
- <https://www.flickr.com/photos/dphock/465220299>
- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=p0x8HCpMULs>
- <http://artwithmrhall.blogspot.com/2013/09/mosaic-landscapes.html>
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