

MosaicSmalti / Lynn Moor



Summer Workshop Schedule 2009 Cape Cod, MA

Intro to Smalti Mosaics - The Basics

If you would like to learn the fundamentals of using Italian smalti to create mosaic art, this weekend workshop is a great start. We will focus on the basic technical issues of creating mosaics with smalti: choosing an appropriate substrate, preparing the design for mosaicing, cutting smalti accurately with nippers, an intro to the traditional hammer/hardie, and laying techniques using the direct-set method for ungrouted mosaics. Other techniques and applications specific to smalti mosaics will also be discussed.

Students will mosaic 1- 8"x 8" mosaic from a choice of several provided designs. Each design was specifically selected to call upon the new skills and techniques covered.

This fast and fun workshop should provide you with the basic information you need to begin making your own smalti mosaics and the confidence to continue to explore the creative possibilities of Italian smalti. This workshop is best suited for those with some previous mosaic experience but new to smalti, or for beginners committed to learning this exciting art form.

DATES: June 27-28, 9am – 4pm
COST: \$250.00. Includes all tools, supplies and materials.

4-Day Smalti Intensive: Beyond the Basics



This intimate workshop for four-to-six artists is for those wishing to go beyond the basics and explore in-depth the various skills and artistic considerations of creating mosaics with Italian smalti. We will cover the following, plus more:

DESIGN AND PREPARATION: Understanding the ‘Language of Smalti’; presentation of traditional and contemporary andamento choices, tile cuts, and placement options- and why/when/how to use each to maximize the impact of your design; design for the drawing-impaired: using drawings and photos; color theory for smalti mosaics: color blending, transitions and fading, value and contrast; calculating material needs, detailed cartoon preparation.

BUILDING THE MOSAIC: Accurate cutting the wheeled cutters and creative cutting techniques with hammer/hardie; substrate options including mesh and “thinset only” substrates; working with thinset mortar in the direct-set method for ungrouted mosaics; using thinset colorants to enhance design; working with mosaic gold.

Each artist will complete a 12x12 smalti mosaic using one of several provided designs (nature photos). Designs are specifically selected to fit the teaching objectives of the course, giving participants the opportunity to immediately put into practice the techniques presented. Your mosaic is yours to take home.

This course is best suited for serious students with some experience working with smalti and looking to expand their knowledge of skills and techniques for working with this beautiful material.

DATES

May 21st - May 24th // July 23rd - July 26th
Thursday to Sunday, 10am – 5pm (10am – noon on Sunday).

COST

\$350.00 per participant
All tool, supplies and materials included

GUIDED OPEN STUDIO



For those wishing to extend their mosaic adventure following the Workshops, MosaicSmalti will have a Guided Open Studio on Mondays and Tuesdays following scheduled workshops. Participants can experiment independently with new skills and techniques or work on their own project with the security of guidance and direction nearby. The Studio will be available to Open Studio participants from 9am - 5pm daily. Tools and supplies are provided, and smalti can be purchased by participants at a discounted rate. Lynn Moor will be available from 9am – 12pm during the Open Studio for answering questions, giving direction, and individualized instruction as requested.

All Workshop participants are invited to participate in the Guided Open Studio. Others wishing to participate *only* in Open Studio will be available as space allows. Open Studio can accommodate four to six participants.

DATES

Monday and Tuesday, May 18- 19

Monday and Tuesday, June 29-30

Monday and Tuesday, July 27-28

COST

\$50 per day

Includes studio space, tools, supplies and morning instruction.

Smalti can be purchased separately.

Visiting Artist Workshop: PEBBLE MOSAIC WITH DEB ALDO



Pebbles are one of the most ancient mosaic materials. In this intensive hands-on workshop you'll learn this ancient craft of pre-cast slabs to create perfectly flat pebble paving for amazing paths and decorative element for your home and garden.

Students will be instructed in both the direct and the indirect pre-cast method for creating pebble mosaics and will create two projects with their newly acquired skills. Information provided in this workshop includes, but certainly is not limited to:

- How to sort, fit and lay stone and other appropriate materials.
- Instruction in working with a variety of provided materials for a technically sound mosaic, with emphasis on permanence and structural integrity.
- Artistic considerations for creating effective designs in pebble mosaic

No previous mosaic experience is required for this workshop, but it's helpful. This workshop will be held outdoors and you are guaranteed to work hard and get dirty so dress appropriately!

DATES

June 12th – 14 // July 10-12
Friday and Saturday, 9:30am – 4:30pm
Sunday, 9:30am – 12:30pm

COST

\$250.00
Includes all materials and supplies

TO REGISTER:

If you would like to register for one of our Workshops, reserve the Smalti Cottage, or if you have any questions about our summer offerings, please contact us directly via email or telephone:

Email: lynn@mosaicsmalti.com
Toll-free: 1-866-432-5369

A \$50 deposit will hold your place in our Workshops or will reserve your stay at the Smalti Cottage.
We accept Visa, Mastercard, American Express, PayPal and personal check.

ABOUT THE INSTRUCTORS



Lynn Moor has been creating mosaics professionally for 10 years and for the last six, has worked exclusively in Italian Smalti. Because of her love of this vibrant material, Lynn opened MosaicSmalti.com to serve as the US Retailer for Orsoni Smalti from Venice, Italy, the finest smalti in the world. The creative possibilities of this material to inform and enliven a mosaic are a constant source of inspiration. Lynn is excited about sharing what she's learned with others who share her passion. To see Lynn's work, please visit

www.lynnmoor.com



Deb Aldo, owner and principal designer of Pietre Dure Design, is a professional pebble mosaicist and landscape designer. Her impressive portfolio includes small and large-scale pebble mosaics installed in both private and public settings. Deb learned her craft from Maggy Howarth, the expert on pebble mosaics, and was featured in Ms. Howarth's latest book. MosaicSmalti looks forward to hosting our first 'Visiting Artist' workshop with this fun and knowledgeable instructor.

www.pietreduredesign.com

MOSAIC SMALTI ON CAPE COD



GETTING HERE

The MosaicSmalti Studio is located at 90 Route 28 in West Harwich, MA, ninety miles south of Boston on Cape Cod. We are also ninety miles from Providence, RI. While there is some public transportation on Cape Cod, a car is recommended for getting around and exploring the Cape.

Participants flying in for a Workshop arrive into Boston Logan Airport or TF Green Airport/Providence. You can rent a car at either airport for the easy ninety minute drive to Cape Cod.

Other info: Two sweet/big dogs reside at the MosaicSmalti Studio where workshops will be held. While we think they are wonderful, people with allergies may not agree and should be advised.

ACCOMMODATIONS

There is a large variety of accommodation in the area for visiting students – B&Bs, oceanfront motel/hotels, condos, rental houses – in a variety of price ranges. See also the Smalti Cottage below. Here are a few suggestions:

RENTAL COTTAGES/CONDOS

Martha Murray Vacation Rental is a local real estate/rental company that can help you find the perfect weekly rental property for your Cape Cod vacation. They primarily serve Dennisport, West Harwich, and Harwichport, all located within a five-mile radius of MosaicSmalti.

www.marthamurrayrealestate.com

1-800-326-2114

HOTELS / MOTELS / B&Bs

Our neighbors directly next door have a beautiful, historic B&B with 3 lovely double rooms, each with a private or semi-private entrance. Becky and Everett Overman are gracious hosts and have generously offered students of MosaicSmalti a 15-20% discount off their regular seasonal rates.

Photos: <http://www.bedandbreakfastcapecod.com/har02.html>

Please contact Everett Overman directly to reserve a room:

508-776-2156

By the Sea Bed & Breakfast is a lovely B&B in Dennisport, one mile from MosaicSmalti. It's located directly on the beach of Nantucket Sound- and even has its own private beach.

www.bytheseaguests.com

1-800-447-9202

The Breakers Resort and Edgewater Resort are both oceanfront hotels/motels located in Dennisport, one mile from MosaicSmalti. (they call themselves 'resorts' because they are directly on the beach, but they're really like very nice motels!)

www.innseason.com

The Breakers: 1-508-398-6905

The Edgewater: 1-508-398-6922

Hotels.com can also provide plenty of hotel options for other accommodations on Cape Cod.

THE SMALTI COTTAGE



MosaicSmalti has its own Cape Cod cottage available for rent for MosaicSmalti students-- or anyone else wishing for an affordable Cape Cod getaway.

The Smalti Cottage is a cozy, bright cottage (600 sq.ft.) located one mile from the beaches of Nantucket Sound and just two blocks from the MosaicSmalti Studio. It's decorated with work from a variety of well-known mosaic artists and is stocked with art and mosaic books for late night inspiration. The cottage has two bedrooms (2 twins / 1 double bed) and comfortably sleeps two to three... four if you like each other. Wireless internet, cable television with DVR/On Demand, linens, kitchenware, and bicycles for guests are included.

The Smalti Cottage is available for \$650 per week or \$100 per night during scheduled workshops. (The Cottage can be booked individually or workshop participants are welcomed to share to keep costs down.)

More photos of Smalti Cottage are coming soon – we're still renovating!

MOSAICSMULTI IN PICTURES

Our home, Studio and Smalti Shop



Our neighborhood



Our beach



Our Studio



Our inventory



YOUR vision



We hope to see you this summer!

SUMMER SCHEDULE AT-A-GLANCE

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August 2009

To be determined...