

# Mosaic

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

Mosaics have a long history, starting in the 3rd millennium BC. Pebble mosaics were made in Greece; mosaics with patterns and pictures became widespread in classical times, both in Ancient Greece and Ancient Rome. Early Christian [basilicas](#) from the 4th century onwards were decorated with wall and ceiling mosaics. Mosaic art flourished in the [Byzantine Empire](#) from the 6th to the 15th centuries; that tradition was adopted by the [Norman](#) kingdom in [Sicily](#) in the 12th century, by eastern-influenced [Venice](#), and among the [Rus](#) in Ukraine. Mosaic fell out of fashion in the Renaissance, though artists like [Raphael](#) continued to practise the old technique. Roman and Byzantine influence led Jews to decorate 5th and 6th century synagogues in the Middle East with floor mosaics. Mosaic was widely used on religious buildings and palaces in early [Islamic art](#), including Islam's first great religious building, the Dome of the Rock in [Jerusalem](#), and the [Umayyad Mosque](#) in [Damascus](#). Mosaic went out of fashion in the Islamic world after the 8th century.

Modern mosaics are made by professional artists, street artists, and as a popular craft. Many materials other than traditional stone and ceramic tesserae may be employed, including shells, glass and beads

- Yulia Hanansen Ann Arbor, Michigan "I consider the stained glass to be my paint. I work with it like a painter who mixes her colors on a palette and then puts them on the canvas to make a picture."



Venus  
stained glass on plywood - 22" diameter



Pink Peony  
stained glass - 15.5" x 15.5"

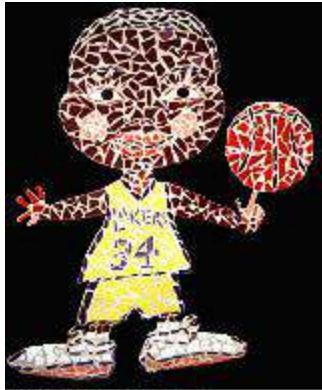


Einstein in Blue  
stained glass and porcelain tiles on plywood - 14" x 18"

- Didier Guedj Los Angeles, California Didier seeks to convey with an array of color, geometrical shapes and movement the essence of life inherent in human nature. He seeks to convey our human desire to better ourselves and share the resulting happiness with our family, friends and community.



Katie  
1999  
Solano Canyon, CA



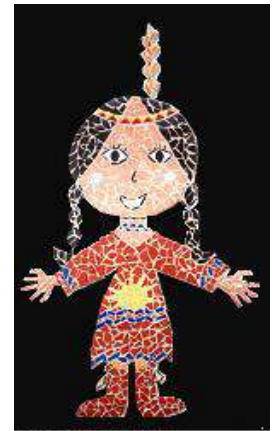
Little Shaq  
"In Katie's World" SCCG  
18" x 24"



Lyndy  
"In Katie's World" SCCG  
18" x 24"



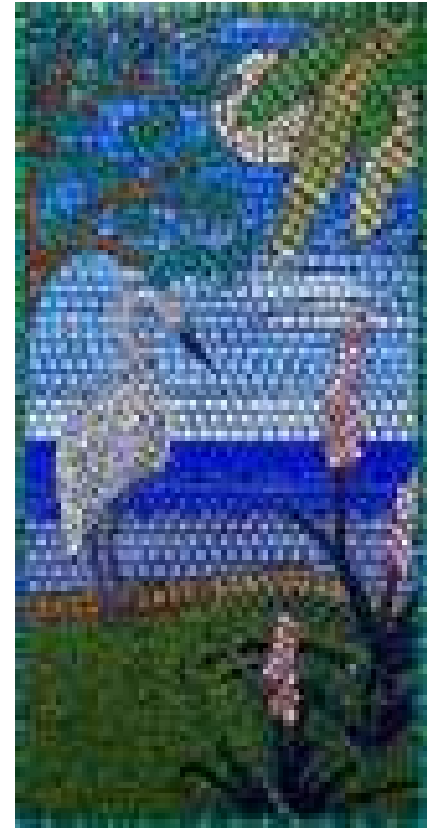
Oscar  
1999  
Solano Canyon, CA



RisingSun  
"In Katie's World" SCCG  
18" x 24"



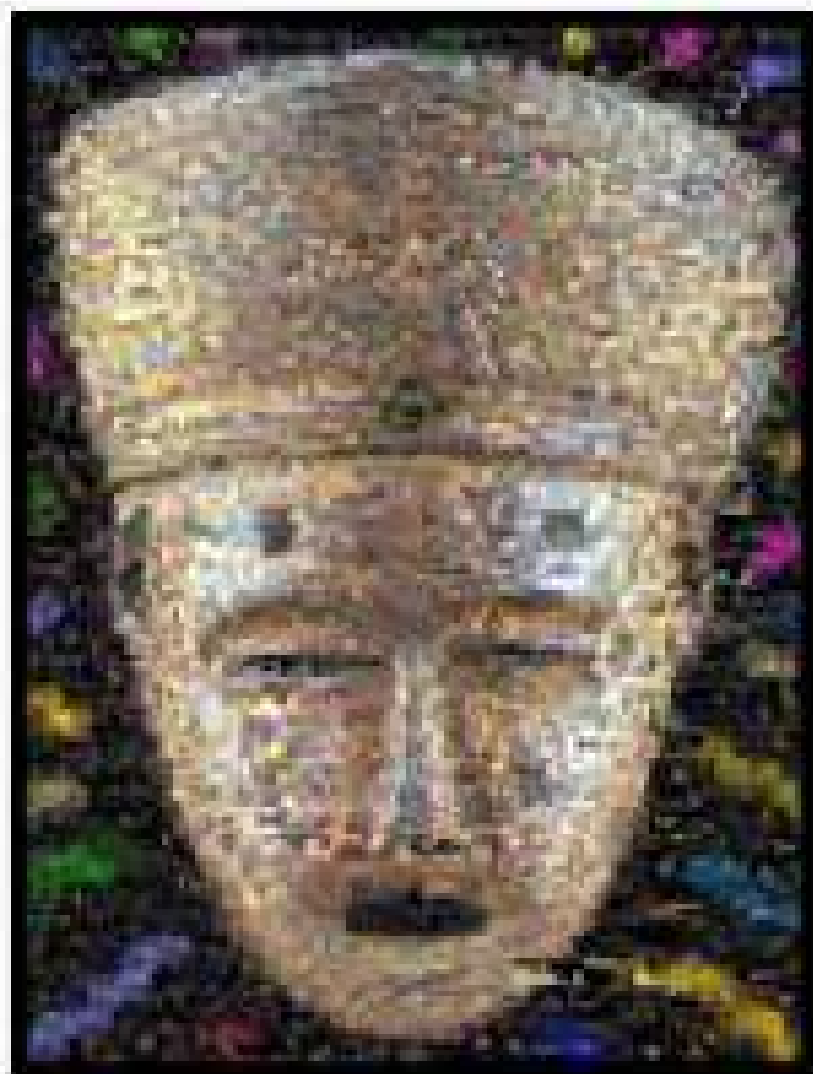


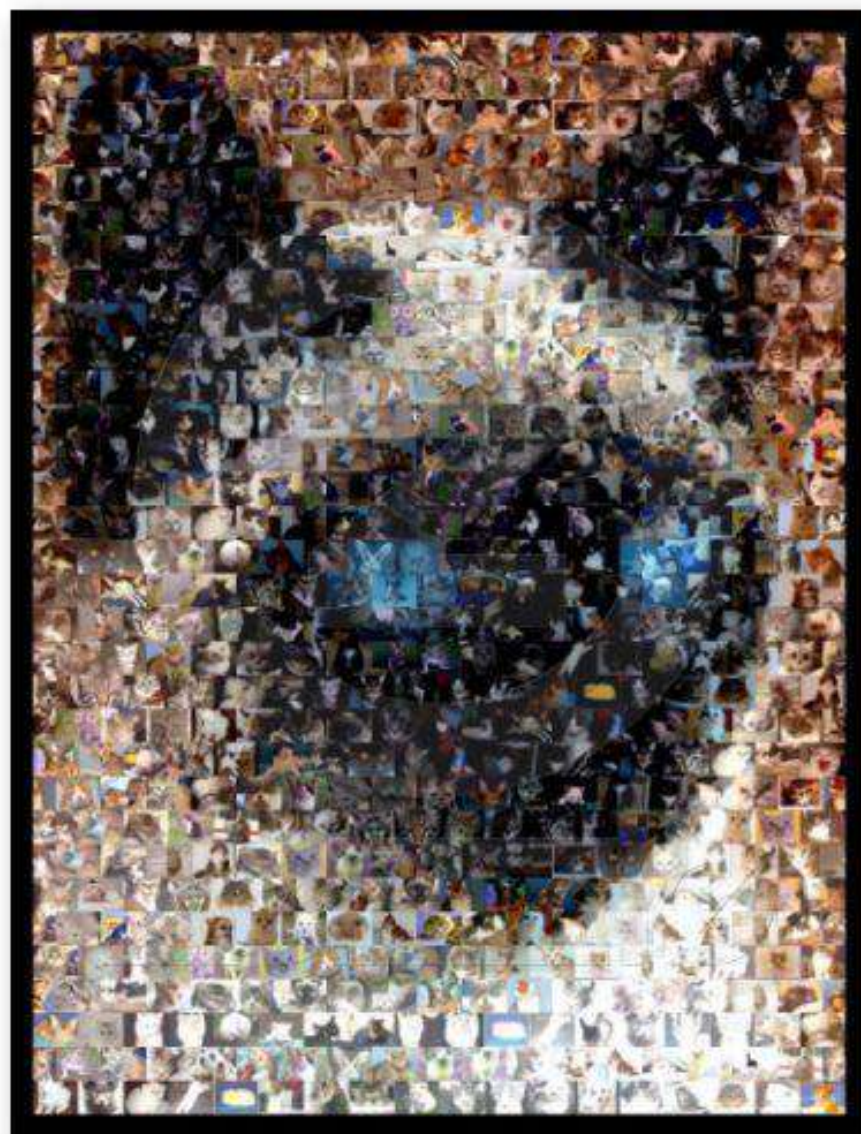








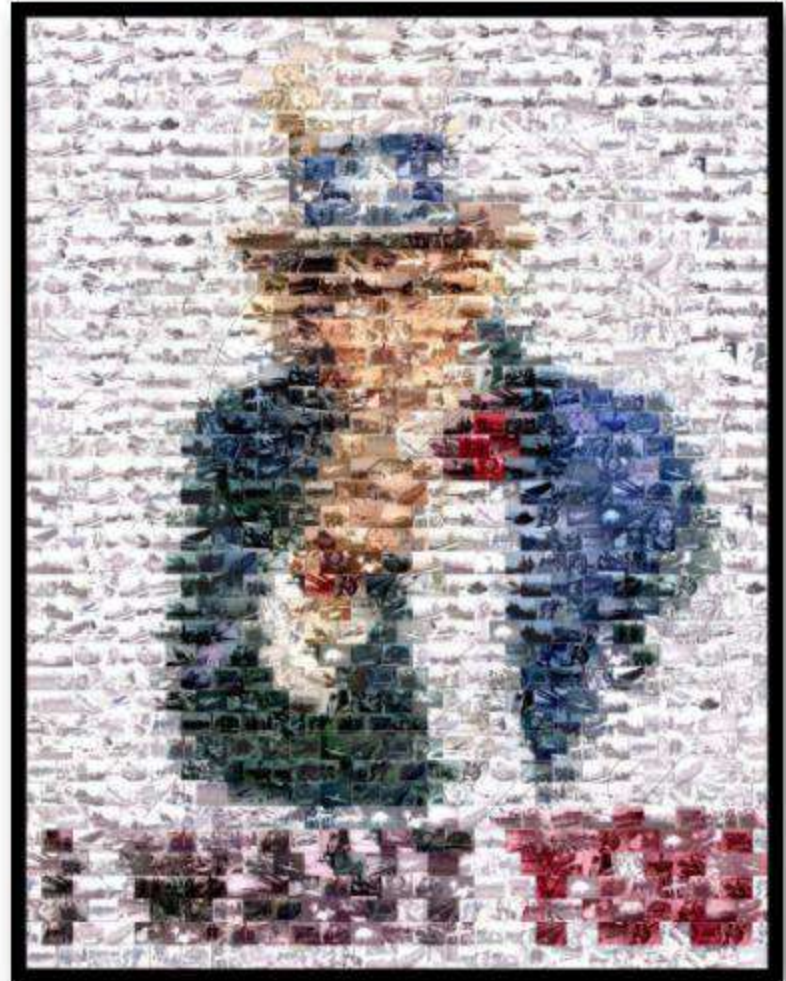
















*Yorkshire Terrier*



