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MOSAICS - PROGRAM

Mosaics is the very ancient art of creating patterns, pictures and images assembling small pieces of colored glass, stone, or other materials, normally roughly quadratic, known as *tesserae*, or *tessellae*. It was a technique of decorative art, especially for interiors decoration, but also for the construction of large images of cultural and spiritual significance as in palaces and cathedrals. In this course we propose to teach the basic technique of making a mosaic with different materials. For beginners, we will use ceramic tiles to copy a chosen model. For the advanced level students, we will use glaze of marble to create an original design. With the knowledge of the basic technique of the traditional mosaic, learned during the course, students will be able to make a mosaic by himself in the classic style.

Theoretical Part:

- History of Mosaics
- Study of techniques for construction
- Composition

Practical Part:

- Design sketching
- Preparation of the supports
- Cutting techniques
- Construction of Mosaics
- Placement techniques (of tiles, marble etc.)
- Expressive line techniques
- Expressive colour techniques
- "Buaccatura" techniques



This course is available in the following ways and prices:

Art materials are not included in the course fees. Anyway, basic materials will be provided by the school for the first lesson and the teacher will give each student a list of materials to buy, according to artistic techniques and projects that each student intends to develop. A card supplied by the teacher at the beginning of the course will allow students to purchase art materials in a large specialized store near the school, where students can find a wide variety of high quality art materials at discounted prices. The cost for basic art materials is normally roughly 30 Euro.

Students can enroll from a minimum of 2 weeks to one year. The topics covered in the months following the first one will focus on further investigation of the issues proposed in the basic course. The courses can be attended by beginners as well.

Classes are held in Italian and English. Students can start courses every week. At the end of the course participants will receive a Certificate of Participation (Diploma).

Weeks	BASIC COURSE	SEMI-INTENSIVE COURSE
	<i>6 lessons a week</i>	<i>10 lessons a week</i>
2	285 €	400 €
3	375 €	515 €
4	440 €	615 €
5	515 €	725 €
6	580 €	820 €
7	670 €	965 €
8	760 €	1120 €
9	850 €	1235 €
10	940 €	1340 €
11	1030 €	1470 €
12	1120 €	1600 €
13	1210 €	1730 €
14	1300 €	1860 €