

## Mosaic Arts International 2016

Presented by the Society of American Mosaic Artists  
Held in conjunction with the 15th Annual American Mosaic Summit  
San Diego, California

### Mosaic Arts International: Masters Invitational

**March 31–May 27, 2016**

Casa Valencia Galería

### Mosaic Arts International: Fine Art

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Women's Museum of California

#### Jurors

Elaine M. Goodwin, Couches, France  
Sherri Warner Hunter, Bell Buckle, Tennessee, USA  
Bernice Steinbaum, Miami, Florida, USA

### Mosaic Arts International: Mosaic In Situ

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Aida Valencia  
Gabriela Avila

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### SAMA Executive Director

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## 2016 Best Mosaic In Situ

### Benito Juarez Park 2014

Jolino Beserra  
Los Angeles, CA

Location: Maywood, CA USA

Group: H 15.00' W 40.00'

Welded rebar skeletons, mesh and cement overcoat, ceramic and porcelain tile, custom ceramic three-inch circles, porcelain and glass penny rounds, vintage Malibu tile mural scrap, vintage subway tile, glazed pottery, ceramic mugs, dichroic glass tile.

In 2012, I was commissioned by The Trust For Public Land to create play-sculptures for a new park built in tribute to Benito Juarez, in Maywood, CA. The Oaxaca, Mexican-born artist hails from a region where, for generations, families have created exquisitely carved and painted fantasy creatures called Alebrijes. The first mosaic sculpture is a frog relaxing on a lily pad while the other is hitching a ride on the back of a turtle. I added a band of custom mosaic Day of The Dead tiles around the shell of the turtle and I created eyes for all of the Alebrijes with gorgeous iridescent dichroic glass tile. Misters in the rubber flooring create a cooling spray of water for children to run through as the Alebrijes lounge nearby.





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Midway's  
Timing

in Mendelson  
Beach, CA

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00' W 32'00" D

ed glass, mosaic

ing is a big

ce, which provides

osaic art workshops

low-income and former-

less people, using

ycled materials to develop

marketable skills, self-con-

idence, earned income, and

an improved quality of life.

For this project, a forgotten

garden in a communal space

near where we teach weekly

workshops, was transformed

into a mosaic garden that

would withstand the current

drought conditions of

California and bring much-

needed color and vibrancy

to this unused space.

Individuals, groups, and fam-

ilies were all assigned sections

to decorate with materials

ranging from scrap glass

to re-purposed ceramics.

The mosaic community

and volunteers responded

enthusiastically and

"flowers" were donated from

ten states and four countries.

This support widened Piece

by Piece participants' artistic

experience and strengthened

our sense of community.

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