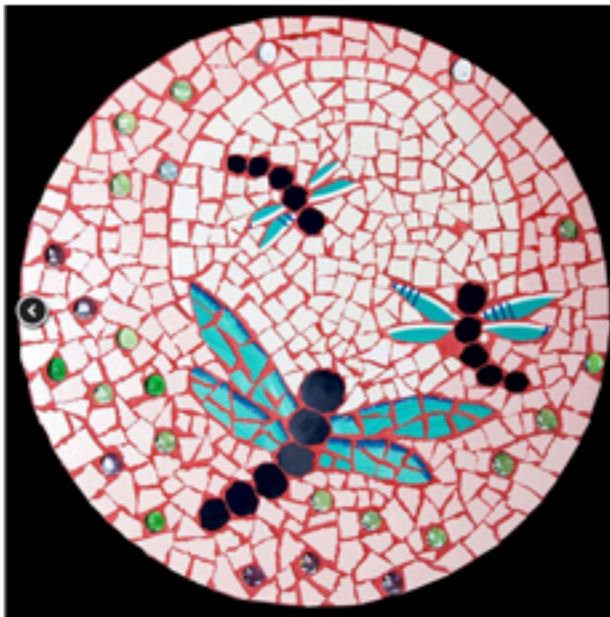


## Beauty From Brokenness...

Consider the gift to yourself of creating healing mosaics.

Artist and teacher Mary Dignan has a unique perspective on how designing and building mosaics can be a healing practice. As a deaf-blind artist, she takes bits and pieces of pottery, glass, and other materials and turns them into very personal mosaics to help her process and understand her ongoing difficult journey through her loss of sight and hearing. Each expression adds to her own healing, giving her a heart-felt appreciation for all the gifts she does have in her life, in spite of her challenges.

Mary shares her thoughts being open and receptive as she remembers when the plate she was breaking to make a mosaic fell to her work table:



"...a dragonfly flew out. This is the wondrous thing about the creative muse: the way she sends these lovely happy surprises. And yet, she is more about receiving than she is about sending. The gifts are always there, but one must be perceptive and receptive to the gift in order for it to manifest. I think one of our ultimate Life Lessons is learning how to open ourselves to receive and accept all aspects - the full wholeness - of our gifts of love and life."

Mary shares her unique creative vision in the mosaic classes she teaches through The Creative Edge. We invite you to explore your own artistry by joining her Mosaic Mirrors class. What gifts will come to you through your own imaginative mirror?

~Carol Mathew-Rogers, Executive Director