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Such strange times, so many thoughts are going through my head....

- What do I write in this newsletter?
- Do I even write one?
- Don't we need inspiration more than ever?
- Is there a nugget I can throw out there that would be encouraging/helpful?

I have no idea! But I'm going to give it a try. I always encourage adult play, experimentation, and trying things without expecting a specific outcome, so here goes! My goal is to simply give you a smile, an "oh" and hopefully even a "wow."

All we can do is stay safe and spread creativity and love wherever we can!

First, I am a firm believer in shameless promotion when it comes to small local businesses!

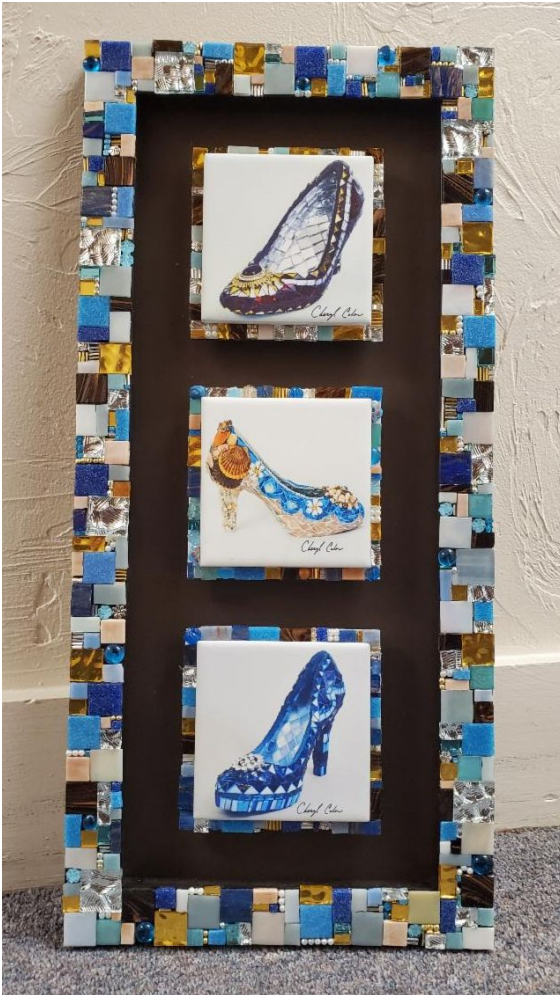
I want to start off with a plug for Ali Flippin's card company efrancis.com. She created this adorable picture above (which has taken off on Facebook) as well as many other great images.

She lives in Holliston and I just found out that her son is a past student of mine. Not surprisingly he is also very talented! So if you are in the market for cards, check out her site!

In this newsletter you will find:

- Inspirational mosaic thoughts
- Online class info
- Broadway shows and museum video tours
- Facebook page thoughts

- Pictures from life before the shut down (amazingly just a bit over two weeks ago)!



Some of you don't know that I make mosaic shoes! I then had them photographed by [Rich Powers](#) from Holliston (more shameless promotion), and then transferred onto coasters.

This is a piece that I made using the coasters!

Eric (husband) and Lee (my mosaic helper) suggested that I use them in this way, and it was really fun!

I've been spending time on [Facebook](#), posting a variety of things that I find inspirational.

Even if you aren't on Facebook yourself, you can still check out a Facebook page.

I post many different types of art, woodwork, assemblage, recycled materials, painting, sculpture, and more-anything that I find amazing.

So just for fun I'm going to post some examples and feel free to click on my Facebook link above if you want to see more!

[Life is a Mosaic Itself; Ten best mosaic quotes](#)

My favorite on this list is:

"We are not here to fit in...we are here to be eccentric, different, perhaps strange, perhaps merely to add our small piece, our little clunky, chunky selves, to the great mosaic of being...we are here to become more and more ourselves."

-James Hollis



[Zoom Online Classes/Videos](#)

[10 University Classes You Can Take Online for Free](#)

Good news! I borrowed wif from my neighbor at the studio, Judy Giovangelo from the nonprofit organization [Ben Speaks](#). So now I'm starting classes with some of my regular students.

If you have taken classes before and want to join let me know! We are going to create flowers out of plates.

The class is this Thursday, 4/2, at 12:00 noon. Kits are needed, so you can make arrangements with me pick up a kit on the side entrance to the studio.

[Solange Piffer](#) is a magnificent artist who developed this technique. I'm practicing.....

Here are some of mine!



Broadway!

My husband and I have been watching Broadway shows.

Through Amazon Prime you can sign up for Broadway HD (<https://www.broadwayhd.com/>, they have a free trial).

So far we have watched, Falsettos, Ruthless, Miss Saigon, Billy Elliot, Cats, Phantom of the Opera, and Love Never Dies (the sequel to Phantom of the Opera) the last three were my favorites so far.

What the World Needs Now is Love Sweet Love

Sung by some of our favorite Broadway performers, so beautiful.

[So creative! Just click, you will be amazed!](#)

Studio Schedule

which will hopefully start up again in May.

Adult weekly

- Tues [10-12:30](#) (experienced students)
- Thurs [10-12:30](#) and [7-9:30](#) pm
- These are all mixed levels, beginners welcome

Child Weekly

- [After School Mosaics](#), Tues 3:30-

5:00 (5 week sessions)

- [Thursday Mosaics, 4:15-5:30](#),
These are all mixed levels,
beginners welcome



Above is one of [Solange's](#) pieces, but you can see more of her work online, amazing!

If you are not interested in the class, but have bright colored bowls, mugs, and/or vase type containers (6 inches high or less) please save them for me!

We could work out a time for a social distance drop off at the studio side entrance.



Hope you are enjoying time with the kids!

Possible Zoom Online Classes/Videos

Would you be interested in:

- A free online paper mosaic class for kids, ages 5 and up.
- A beginner glass cutting kits for kids ages 8 and up and/or adults, with an instructional video.

Let me know if you would be interested in either one!



And let's end with a great dragon, because why not?

So, create, read, expand you mind, talk on

Since we are home so much Linda can enjoy her great house number 11! I wish you could see all the detail close up, it came out great!

the phone, exercise and Zoom (online meetings) your hearts out.

Millions of thanks to those brave first responders out there, we love and appreciate you.

I miss you all so much and am looking forward to seeing you soon, if not in person on Zoom!

So stay home (if you can) and stay safe.

Virtual hugs, Cheryl

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