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Design Proposal for Mosaic Murals for Bartillon Shelter 2025



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Hand drawn to show tile variation



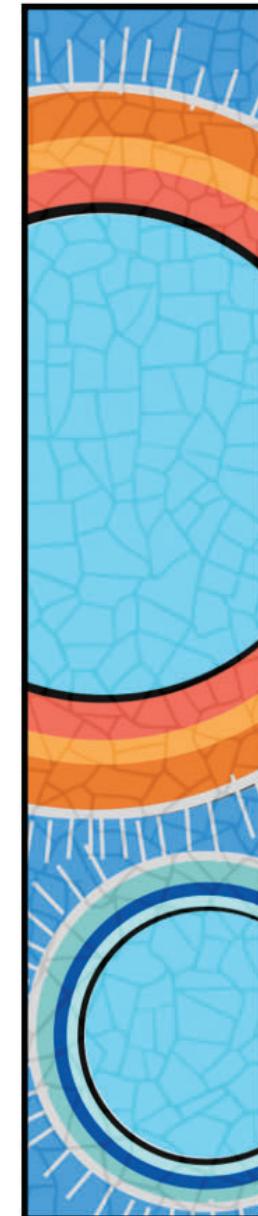
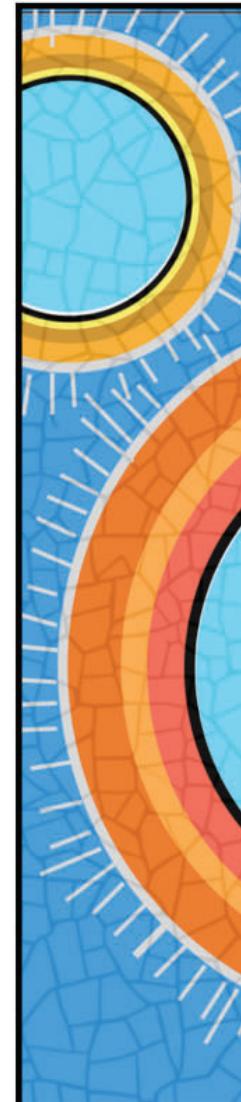
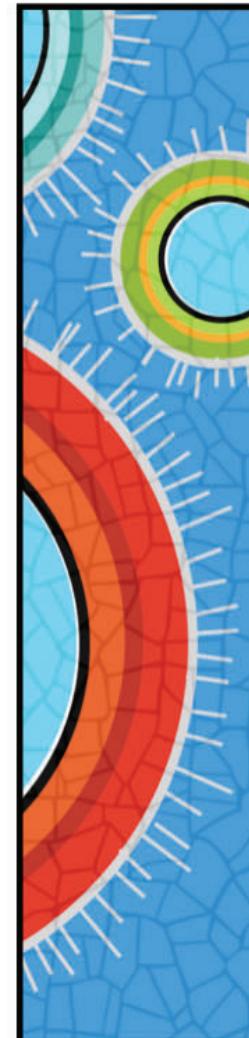
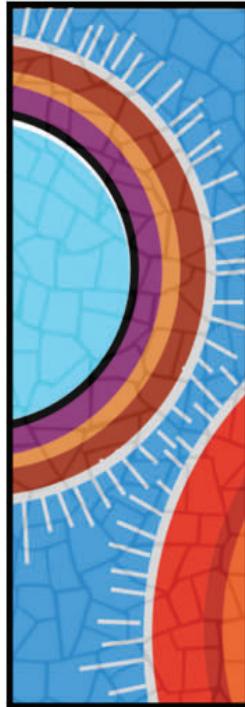
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Materials:

Ceramic tile: colored rings + background

Mirror : inside + outside rings+
radiating out from rings



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Community Feedback

Community center focus group

Common themes:

Uplifting

Welcoming

Joyful

Freedom

Sense of connection

Beauty

Calming, safety

Circles/organic shapes

Able to be visible from a distance

Positive, bold hopeful

Community members using shelter

Through lines and themes:

Birds, nature

Hope, care

Overcoming struggle

Unity, community, friendship

Spirit, spirituality

Comfort, joy, happiness

Progress, upward motion

Encouragement, success

Calming, peaceful, serenity

Perseverance, respect

Independence, freedom, positivity

More Inspiration



American robin



purple finch



northern cardinal



indigo bunting



American goldfinch



painted bunting

Listening to birdsong can help regulate the nervous system by promoting relaxation and reducing anxiety.

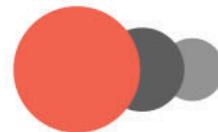
This calming effect is thought to be linked to our evolutionary associations with birdsong as a sign of safety.

<https://www.nature.com/articles/s41598-022-20841-0> <https://PMC9258629/>

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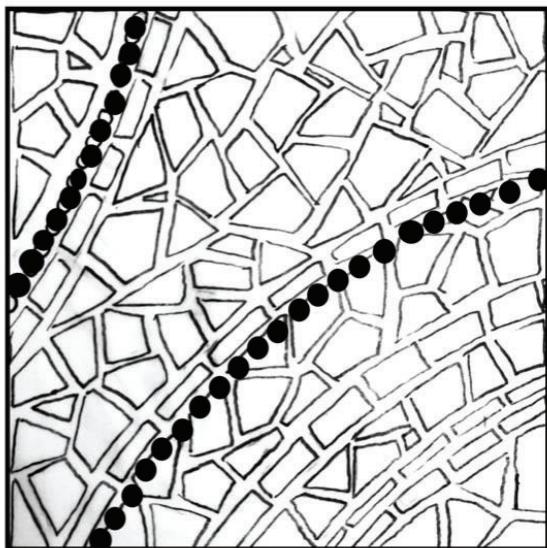
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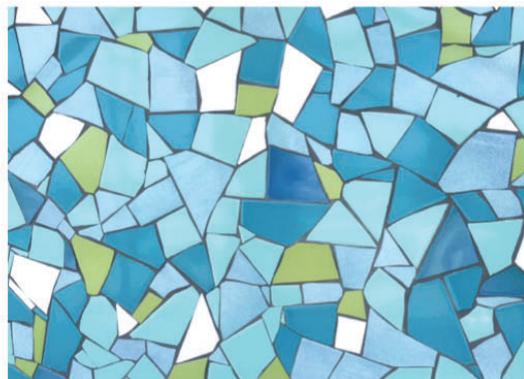
Materials + Placement

Example of mosaic setting style+ shapes of pieces

Sample approximately 2' x 2'



Example of how a field of color might be created for backgrounds



White tile dots



Black tile

Light blue mix

radiating
mirror strips



Outer mirror
surround

Medium
blue mix

Inner mirror
surround

Example of tile colors

