



Hello,

Welcome to our fall newsletter. It's been a productive couple of months at Piece by Piece and we are excited to share some highlights with you!

There have been a lot of good things happening at the studio. Piece by Piece welcomed two new team members and classes are filling up with both new and returning [participant artists](#). The studio has come to life with mosaics on the walls and artists in the commission studio. Our [website](#) has also been reimagined. We hope you will take the time to take a look.

This is all possible because of your generous support and the dedication of the Piece by Piece team and volunteers. Thank you for your ongoing support.

Please enjoy this fall newsletter.

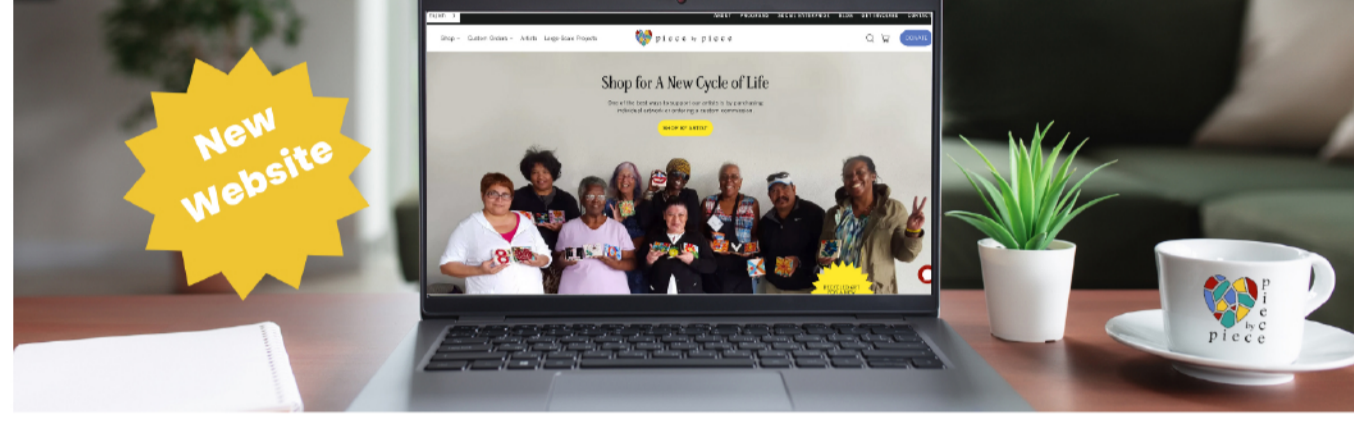


After more than two years of virtual workshops, all of us at Piece by Piece are thrilled to be welcoming new (and returning) participants into our new space. COVID protocols are in place to keep everyone safe, and we are loving the enthusiasm our in-person classes generate. The beginning mosaic workshops are where new participants begin their mosaic journey. These classes are led by the wonderful artist-instructor Bea Jones.

The studio is full of good energy, and is a supportive environment for all participants. Each new artist starts with a small project and individual instruction on tool use, materials options, and basic placement techniques. A second session for each participant focuses on grouting their first piece. Instructors meet each individual where they're at, and help them develop the skills to create beautiful mosaics. They offer whatever support participants need to be their best creative selves.

Welcome to some of our newest artists: Angeles R., Antonia L., Christine M., Cliff B., Cynthia B., Dandie B., Graciela C., John M., John V., John N., Mario L., Patricia D., Samantha L., and Valeria L.

If you or someone you know would like to participate, please email [info@piecebypiece.org](mailto:info@piecebypiece.org) to [sign up](#) or to learn more.



The new and improved [Piece by Piece website](#) has just launched, and we can't wait for you to check it out!

The new site allows us to spotlight the core of our social enterprise—the [amazing artists](#). On the site, you can now learn how the artists, who have experienced homelessness and/or have lived with economic insecurity, have created meaningful change in their lives by coming to Piece by Piece. You can get to know these remarkable artists through interviews, videos, and collections of their art.

You can also:

- [Purchase mosaics](#), which directly supports our artists.
- [Request custom awards and commissions](#) that will be created by the artists.
- Read our newly revised [blog](#), where you can see what is happening at Piece by Piece, including updates on classes, projects, artists, and staff.
- [Take a look](#) at our impressive, large scale projects and public art installations. You can even plan a fun day of touring LA to see all of them!
- Learn about the numerous ways you can [get involved](#) with Piece by Piece.
- Read our [annual report](#) to see the impact Piece by Piece had in Los Angeles last year.

Please take some time to get to know the new [website](#), and all that Piece by Piece does. Please don't hesitate to reach out with any feedback or suggestions for additional content. You can drop us a note [here](#).



It is wonderful to see artists and art happening in the Piece by Piece space, once again. All of this new activity has been fantastic. As a result of this growth, and with much appreciated support from our funders, we have been able to grow to meet the demand for our programs and have added two new team members. We are excited to welcome Tasha Pimentel and Josh Provost as our new Program Assistant and Operations Manager respectively.

Tasha is already getting into the swing of things assisting with classes and workshops to help our amazing instructors. She jumped right in and has been ready to help with anything she is asked to do. You can also find her working with the artists on large-scale commissions, providing a helping hand in our classes, and assisting anywhere she can on the artistic front. Tasha has a BA in Studio Art and is actively pursuing her Single Subject teaching credential in Art at CSU Long Beach! She is a passionate artist of many mediums and is excited to work with mosaics and the community here at Piece by Piece. When she isn't creating incredible works of art, Tasha loves to play Ultimate Frisbee, board games with friends, and adventure whenever she can!

After a decade of living outside of California, Josh is back and excited to be a part of Piece by Piece in the heart of South Los Angeles. He is responsible for managing the day-to-day operations of Piece by Piece and works with our staff team and artists to ensure they have everything they need to succeed. Josh also helps run our social media, manage volunteers, and in general, wears many hats around the office. Josh's past experience in customer service, retail management, events, and even as a camp counselor have prepared him for all the unexpected tasks that come his way. Outside of Piece by Piece, Josh enjoys rock climbing, hiking, and spending time with his friends and family.



Through a wonderful partnership with Impact Museum and Light House Artspace Piece by Piece artists have been invited to create unique mosaic art pieces that are for sale at the Light House Artspace gift shop. Their current show is Immersive King Tut and it is truly wonderful. If you haven't been we encourage you to go and soak it in. Tickets may be purchased online at [Immersive King Tut!](#)

This partnership has enabled the artists to not only sell their work, but to also attend the shows. It has been a unique opportunity for the Piece by Piece artists to experience these immersive shows, and then see their work in the gift shop. You can see some samples of the [Piece by Piece art here](#). It is a gift for the artists to be able to experience these shows, and participate in these beautiful and immersive environments. All of us at Piece by Piece are grateful for the opportunity to share this show with the artists and for the unique venue to sell their work.

Please make a point of seeing this wonderful show, and do stop by the gift shop to purchase a one-of-a-kind mosaic piece hand-crafted by our amazing artists.

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[Monica Currie Johnson](#) is a mosaic artist from Northern California and has supported our artists in many ways. During the pandemic, she shared both her artwork and process through virtual classes engaging and providing thoughtful classes for the Piece by Piece artists. You can learn more about Monica and see her work on her website.

She was also Piece by Piece's first live in-person visiting artist after the pandemic. Recently, Monica led the artists in a workshop geared towards working with natural materials, specifically slate. The class allowed the artists to get comfortable working with new materials and create some amazing pieces. If you would like to see some photos from the class including some of the art created by the artists you may do so [here](#).

It was so much fun to learn from Monica and we hope to have her come teach again!



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Piece by Piece has already provided healthy meals to participant artists this year.

