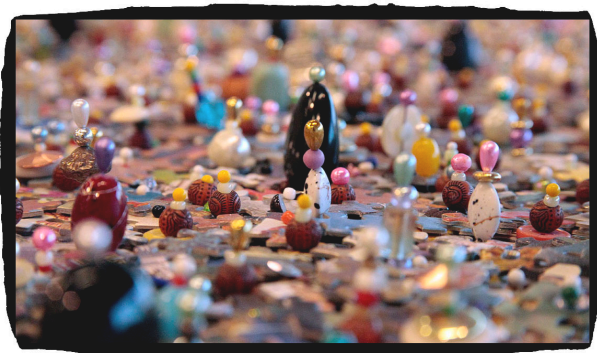


# MINDFUL CREATIVITY IN COMMUNITY

*A one-day retreat open to all with Mushim and Ramekon O'Arwisters*

**T**<sup>wo</sup> dynamic artists and meditators invite you to a welcoming, hands-on day of mindfulness meditation, art and poetry making, and the invocation of liberation and celebration through gathering in supportive, nonjudgmental spiritual community. The goal is to engage participants in a relaxed and creative state of being quickly and easily, by transforming everyday objects into works of art, using puzzle pieces, beads, cloth strips, and found objects that become sculpture, masks, and tapestries. Materials are provided and no attempt is made to direct the creativity outcome of the project. Instruction is provided for beginners in meditation.



**Saturday, September 15, 2012  
10:00 am – 4:30 pm  
East Bay Meditation Center**

[www.eastbaymeditation.org](http://www.eastbaymeditation.org)  
2147 Broadway, Oakland, CA

**Cost:** The teachings are regarded as priceless. So they are offered without a fee. You are invited to support the teachings

and our efforts by contributing voluntary donations (the practice of "Dana") for the expenses of the meditation center and the support of the teachers.

In order to protect the health of community members with environmental illness, please do not wear fragranced products (including "natural" fragrances) or clothes laundered in fragranced products to EBMC.

Space is limited & registration is required. Register at [www.eastbaymeditation.org](http://www.eastbaymeditation.org) or email [admin@eastbaymeditation.org](mailto:admin@eastbaymeditation.org) for registration information.



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