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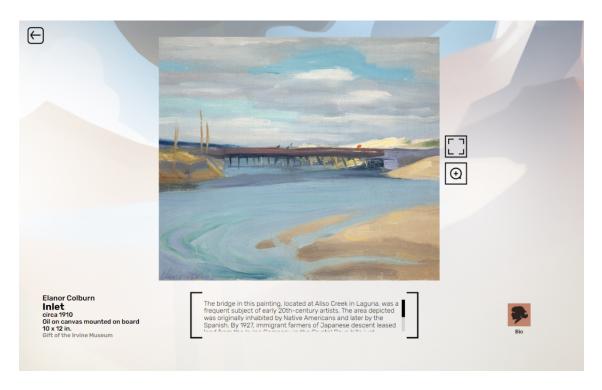
The Bruton Sisters: Modernism in the Making Through May 6, 2023

This exhibition, guest curated by librarian and archivist Wendy Van Wyck Good, explores the prolific work of Bay Area siblings Margaret, Esther, and Helen Bruton via a selection of their rarely exhibited paintings, prints, mosaics, and terrazzos. Created in the 1920s

through 60s, this work is presented alongside archival material and art made by their Californian contemporaries.

Plan Your Visit

Virtual



Beyond the Frame: Impressions of California

Experience this digital exhibition that shares new insights about California Impressionism, online through September 12, 2025. Spend time with this engaging installation to learn more about these early 20th century artists, their histories, and the places depicted in their paintings.

Enter the Exhibition

PROGRAM





Workshop: Abstraction and the Art of Mosaic with Beatriz Jaramillo

Saturday, March 25, 2023

10 am – 1 pm

Parking: Airport Tower parking structure. Parking is free.

Join ceramic artist Beatriz Jaramillo for a hands-on workshop inspired by Margaret, Helen, and Esther Bruton's innovative approaches to traditional mosaic techniques and other diverse media. The workshop begins by looking closely at artworks in the exhibition, using drawing and other activities to delve deeper into the Brutons' processes. Participants then have the opportunity to experiment with mosaic materials to create a personal mosaic trivet inspired by the ways the artist-sisters fluidly transitioned between figurative and abstract art.

This in-person workshop is open to participants 16 years of age and older. Space is limited and registration is required. All materials are provided. Previous mosaic experience is not required.

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Agnes Pelton's *Alchemy* (1937 – 1939) from Langson IMCA's permanent collection is on view through June 19 in *Another World: The Transcendental Painting Group,* 1938 – 1945 at the Los Angeles County Museum of Art. The exhibition is the first comprehensive traveling museum exhibition devoted to the Transcendental Painting Group whose members sought to explore spiritually heightened abstraction by employing freewheeling symbols and imagery drawn from the collective unconscious.

LANGSON IMCA IN THE NEWS

A review by art critic Peter Plagens of the museum's current offering, *The Bruton Sisters: Modernism in the Making,* was featured in *The Wall Street Journal* on February 14. Read the review here.

SNAPSHOT



Exhibition curator Wendy Van Wyck Good gave a gallery talk on *The Bruton Sisters: Modernism in the Making* on February 4. The nation's foremost Bruton scholar, Good first encountered the work of artists Margaret, Esther, and Helen Bruton—collectively known as the Bruton sisters—in 2018. Through her research into the lives and careers of these

artists from her local community in Monterey, California, Good unearthed the important artistic innovations of this previously overlooked creative trio.

GALLERY GUIDES



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Installation view, *The Bruton Sisters: Modernism in the Making*, UCI Langson Institute and Museum of California Art, 2023. Photo by Steve Zylius, © The Regents of the University of California

Beyond the Frame: Impressions of California, a virtual exhibition commissioned by UCI Jack and Shanaz Langson Institute and Museum of California Art, 2022. Image courtesy of Imaginary Places.

Beatriz Jaramillo. Photo by George Evans.

Esther Bruton, Untitled (Leopard mosaic), circa 1935, S&S ceramic tiles, glass tiles with gold leaf, terrazzo, jade, pebbles, brass, and metal wire. 36 x 30 in. From the collection of Eric and Teresa Del Piero, © Bruton Family Archive, courtesy of Barbara Carroll

Agnes Pelton, *Alchemy*, 1937 – 1939, Oil on canvas, 36 x 26 inches, The Buck Collection at UCI Jack and Shanaz Langson Institute and Museum of California Art

Installation view with guest curator Wendy Van Wyck Good, *The Bruton Sisters: Modernism in the Making*, UCI Langson Institute and Museum of California Art, 2023. Photo by Steve Zylius, © The Regents of the University of California

Installation view with Gallery Guides, *The Bruton Sisters: Modernism in the Making*, UCI Langson Institute and Museum of California Art, 2023. Photo by Julie Delliquanti, © The Regents of the University of California

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