

Practical One Day Training Courses

Practical one day training courses aimed at everyone from property owners and DIY enthusiasts to architects, specifiers and builders. This is your opportunity try your hand at the professionals approach to conservation and restoration of historic plasterwork.



All our courses are held on Fridays to allow you to take advantage of a whole weekend visiting some of Yorkshire's most beautiful historic properties all less than an hour away from our own workshops in Pudsey. These include Temple Newsome and Harewood House in Leeds, Castle Howard in York (setting for *the TV series Brideshead Revisited*) and the beautiful *Nostell* Priory just outside Wakefield.

The Professionals Guide to Repairing a Ceiling Cornice

Friday 26th November 2010 • Friday 25th March 2011 •
Friday 23rd September 2011 (£95 per person)

Watch, learn and have a turn yourself at repairing a fibrous plaster ceiling cornice using the same methods as the professionals. We'll take you through how to take a "squeeze" to determine the profile of your existing cornice, show you how produce the mould and help you to run your own lengths of cornice. All delegates will also get the opportunity to purchase a "Ceiling Cornice Repair Starter Kit" that will contain everything you will need to produce work on your own projects at home including the thixotropic rubber to make the mould, all you will need to buy is the plaster. **(Please book early to avoid disappointment – places limited to 8 per event)**

Programme & Content

9.00am	Tea, coffee and bacon rolls and
9.30am	Introduction to the day's event
9.45am	PRACTICAL TASK 1: Defining the profile
11.15am	<i>Refreshments</i>
11.30am	PRACTICAL TASK 2: Making the mould
1pm	<i>Buffet lunch</i>
2pm	PRACTICAL TASK 3: The casting process
3.45pm	Finish

All necessary protective clothing will be provided on the day. Please wear suitable clothing as plaster will leave a light residue on shoes and clothing

Practical Lime Plastering Techniques

Friday 24th September 2010 • Friday 22nd April 2011 • Friday 8th July 2011 (£95 per person)

Here each delegate will have a hands-on opportunity to try their hand at applying the traditional 3-coat lime plastering used in the renovation of period properties. This course will suit everyone from property owners and DIY enthusiasts to architects, specifiers and builders. Delegates will also learn about the different materials used in conserving and renovating historic plasterwork and receive advice as on how to select the right material for the job. **(Please book early to avoid disappointment – places limited to 8 per event)**

Programme & Content

9.00am	Tea, coffee and bacon rolls
9.30am	Introduction to the day's event
9.45am	Selecting the right materials
10.30am	<i>Refreshments</i>
10.45am	PRACTICAL TASK 1: Fixing the riven laths and applying the render coat
12.00pm	<i>Buffet lunch</i>
1 pm	PRACTICAL TASK 2: Applying the floating coat
2.15pm	<i>Refreshments</i>
2.30pm	PRACTICAL TASK 3: Applying the finishing coat
3.45pm	Finish

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The Repair and Patch of Historic Plasterwork

Friday 29th October 2010 • Friday 20th May 2011 • Friday 19th August 2011 (£95 per person)

Learn how to tackle minor repairs to historic plasterwork, understand the work that goes in to identifying the existing plasterwork composition; know what materials to use and more importantly know when to ask for professional help. Each delegate will have the opportunity to pick up their trowel and learn the practical techniques of repairing and patching directly from the masters themselves. **(Please book early to avoid disappointment – places limited to 8 per event)**

Programme & Content

9.00am	Tea, coffee and bacon rolls and
9.30am	Introduction to the day's event
9.45am	PRACTICAL TASK 1: Preparing the surface
10.30am	<i>Refreshments</i>
10.45am	PRACTICAL TASK 2: Applying the render coat
12.00pm	<i>Buffet lunch</i>
1 pm	PRACTICAL TASK 3: Applying the floating coat
2.15pm	<i>Refreshments</i>
2.30pm	PRACTICAL TASK 4: Applying the finishing coat
3.45pm	Finish

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