

Courses for 2009-2010

COURSES FOR CONTRACTORS

These courses are suitable for all general building contractors who undertake refurbishment, renovation and restoration work to traditional buildings. Please visit our website or contact us for full course details.

C1 MAKING AND USING TRADITIONAL MORTARS

VENUE: PENICUIK HOUSE, MIDLOTHIAN

2009 - AUG 20-21, SEPT 21-22, NOV 17-18

2010 - FEB 09-10, APRIL 01-02

~~£250 + VAT~~ **Now Only £150 + VAT**

This popular 2 day workshop provides a sound understanding of the correct mix proportions and mixing techniques to use traditional mortars successfully. By the end of this course you will understand the 'do's and don'ts' of working with lime mortars and gain a strong appreciation of the varied types of pointing finishes.

This workshop will enable you to complete pointing to traditional buildings to satisfy the needs of your clients and increase your business.

C2 TRADITIONAL MASONRY REPAIR

VENUE: PENICUIK HOUSE, MIDLOTHIAN

2009 - OCT 20-22

2010 - APRIL 20-22

~~£375 + VAT~~ **Now Only £225 + VAT**

(Attendees must have completed C1)

This 3 day workshop builds on the knowledge and skills gained on the 'C1 Making and using traditional mortars course'. The workshop aims to enable you to complete seamless rebuilding and repair of traditional masonry to match original work. By the end of this workshop participants will be confident in using a variety of mortar mixes including lime based grouts to suit a variety of stone types including sandstone, granite and whin.

The course deals with build types from ashlar to rubble walling as well as hand cast lime harling techniques and lime washing for finishing rubble masonry. Participants will be able to undertake sensitive surface repairs to ashlar and profiled stone to the highest standards using indenting, part indenting and mortared surface repairs

SVQ NATIONAL UNITS IN CONSERVATION MASONRY

VENUE: CHARLESTOWN WORKSHOPS, FIFE

2009 - SEPT 08-11, NOV 17-20

2010 - MARCH 16-19

NATIONAL UNIT 1 - £90 + VAT, NATIONAL UNIT 2 - £180 + VAT, NATIONAL UNIT 3 - £270 + VAT

Those who have attended C1 and C2 can return to undertake assessment for National Units 1, 2 and 3. Currently SLCT are the only provider of these units within the UK. To date, we have assessed and accredited a substantial number of candidates including stonemasons from several Scottish masonry contractors and more recently masons and site operatives from CADW.

NEW! RENDERING WITH LIME

VENUE: CHARLESTOWN WORKSHOPS, FIFE

2009 – AUG 13-14, SEPT 23-24, NOV 11-12
£250+ VAT

This 2 day workshop provides a sound understanding of the background preparation and rendering strategy needed to ensure successful render work to a range of masonry backgrounds. The course considers how to achieve a secure bond for both hand cast and mechanical applications and you will gain an understanding of a range of surface finishes. The importance of ensuring the correct curing and protection for work will also be covered.

This workshop will allow you to achieve the desired results to carry out all aspects of render work to existing buildings whether they are historic or contemporary.

NEW! PLASTERING WITH LIME

VENUE: CHARLESTOWN WORKSHOPS, FIFE

2009 – AUG 18-19, SEPT 30- OCT 01, NOV 19-20
£250+ VAT

This 2 day workshop begins with background preparation for a range of surfaces including solid masonry and timber lath. You will gain the skills and knowledge required to prepare a sound strategy for approaching interior plaster work including examining building details, scheduling of works and considering access requirements. The processes for achieving a secure bond will also be covered and you will be given an understanding and the practical skills needed to apply plasters to the correct thickness and number of coats.

This workshop will allow you to achieve the desired results to carry out all aspects of plasterwork to existing buildings whether they are historic or contemporary.

MECHANICAL SPRAY HARLING

VENUE: CHARLESTOWN WORKSHOPS, FIFE

2009 Aug 28, Oct 30
2010 Feb 19
£125 + VAT

Join us for a day of practical hands-on training and you will soon be able to harl and render in lime and sand mortars with confidence. Using the very latest cost effective and efficient mechanical spray gun application with lime and sand mortars.

This course covers selection, creation and application of appropriate mixes, finishing techniques and curing regimes. The advantages of mechanical spray harling with lime and sand mortars are that they have low shrinkage, speedy application, accuracy in coat thicknesses and easy curing. You will never go back to hand application!

SURFACE REPAIR OF STONE

VENUE: CHARLESTOWN WORKSHOPS, FIFE

2009 – Sept 07-08, Nov 09-10, Dec 07-08
2010 – Feb 17-18
£250 + VAT

Join us for this two day course designed to ensure successful surface repair to stone on flat work, angles, corners and minor molded details. The course includes correct cutting out, dressing back, filling and finishing. Participants will learn where to use cramps and anchorages, how to form supports and how to take profiles.

In many cases, simple surface repairs can be less intrusive and cheaper than replacing stone. You will be amazed at the results you will be able to achieve after only two days!

DECORATIVE PLASTERWORK

VENUE: CHARLESTOWN WORKSHOPS, FIFE

21-25 Sept 2009
£625 + VAT

Suitable for plasterers and others with relevant tool skills, this workshop is taught by lecture, demonstration and practical activities and is led by traditional plasterer, Alex Hylands, of the Plaster Restoration Company. This week long intensive course is designed to expose those with plastering tool skills to the rudiments of traditional decorative plasterwork.

Activities include running simple cornices in-situ, taking squeezes, making casts of existing profiles for replication and effecting decorative schemes using a combination of techniques.

NEW! DRYSTONE WALLING FOR CONTRACTORS

VENUE: CHARLESTOWN WORKSHOPS, FIFE

2009 – Nov 26-27

£250 + VAT

Would you like to add drystone walling to your skill set? Join us for this two day workshop aimed at anyone who would like to learn the basics of dry stone walling to give you a thorough understanding of the techniques required to produce quality drystone work. Although you will learn to build a new drystone wall, you will also gain the techniques needed to undertake repairs to existing structures.

COURSES FOR BUILDING PROFESSIONALS AND HOMEOWNERS

These courses are suitable for building and heritage professionals and owners of historic buildings who need to be able to determine best practice for the effective conservation and repair of traditional masonry buildings.

P1 INTRODUCTION TO MASONRY REPAIRS IN TRADITIONAL BUILDINGS

VENUE: PENICUIK HOUSE, MIDLOTHIAN

2009 - AUG 10-12, SEPT 28-30

2010 - JAN 26-28, MARCH 24-26

~~£375 + VAT~~ **Now ONLY £225 + VAT**

This is our most popular course and it provides an introductory guide to the use of a range of traditional materials used for the effective conservation and repair of masonry buildings. A combination of lecture and practical teaching this course gives an understanding of traditional building technology.

By the end of the workshop you will be able to recognise vernacular and historic finishes to masonry buildings and understand the performance characteristics of lime binders and sands. You will also gain an understanding of building diagnostics including defects and be able to determine simple specifications in relation to exposure, season, substrates and the nature of masonry repair including repointing, external lime finishes, internal plastering and limewashing.

P2 MASONRY BUILDING CONSERVATION – PRINCIPLES AND TECHNIQUES

VENUE: PENICUIK HOUSE, MIDLOTHIAN

2009 - Dec 09-11

2010 - March 29-31

~~£375 + VAT~~ **Now ONLY £225 + VAT**

(Attendees must have completed P1)

Following on from 'P1 Introduction to masonry repair in traditional buildings' this 3 day workshop aims to provide confidence in the relevant principles, techniques and materials that should be used to repair traditional masonry buildings.

Topics covered include mortar manufacture, practical repair methods and techniques, and aftercare of masonry repairs. This workshop provides sufficient underpinning and practical knowledge of these materials to enable effective specification, application, supervision and snagging of conservation works.

LIME POINTING FOR HOMEOWNERS

VENUE: CHARLESTOWN WORKSHOPS, FIFE

2009 – Sept 19, Nov 07

2010 – Feb 27

£125 + VAT

VENUE: PENICUIK HOUSE, MIDLOTHIAN

2009 – Oct 17, Nov 28

£75 + VAT

This popular one day workshop is aimed at owners of traditional buildings who would like to undertake re-pointing works as part of a renovation project or simply as general maintenance. A practical 'hands on' training day, you will soon be able to undertake repointing works to your own building with confidence.

The course will give you a sound understanding of traditional building technology, techniques and the materials to use when carrying out re-pointing works.

NEW! DRYSTONE WALLING FOR HOMEOWNERS

VENUE: CHARLESTOWN WORKSHOPS, FIFE

2009 – Oct 23-24

£250 + VAT

Have you always wanted to have a go at drystone walling? Why not join us for this two day workshop aimed at anyone who would like to learn the basics of dry stone walling to be able to undertake their own projects. Although you will learn to build a new drystone wall, you will also gain the techniques needed to undertake repairs to existing structures.

We are also able to deliver tailored training to suit your particular needs and this can be delivered here at Charlestown Workshops, on site or at a venue to suit you. Please do not hesitate to contact us to discuss your training needs.

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