

Rosebery

The Midas touch: learn the fabulous craft of gilding from a master gilder

Have you ever wished to have the skills to apply gold and silver leaf to your furniture, frames, and artwork? Or embellish your cornices, columns, walls and ceilings with metal leaf? Work for yourself from home at your own pace? Master gilder Karl Eggert can make your dream come true – and you need no prior knowledge of gilding.



Gilded staircase



Karl and Brigitte Eggert

In the past, this ancient craft with all its secrets has been passed from father to son. But in 1999, Karl Eggert, together with his wife Brigitte, founded a unique teaching establishment to make the wonderful craft of gilding available to anybody who wants to learn.

Learning in Germany from master gilders in framing, as well as in church restoration, Karl has a broad knowledge and more than 45 years experience in gilding. And this knowledge and experience is reflected in his teaching program at the Art Gilding Academy. Class sizes are kept to a maximum of six students to ensure the best learning experience.



John gilding chair



Because of Karl's unique knowledge and teaching ability, you will learn intensively, but never feel pressured

Master class

You can learn every aspect of gilding in a two-week, fully certified Master Gilding class.

In this professional course, Karl teaches skills similar to those taught in three-year apprenticeships. Gilding on plaster, timber, glass, metal and paper form part of the program. For framers and painters, the course can bring immediate benefits to your business, while many students come from the fields of art, craft and interior design. Students travel from all over the world to attend the Art Gilding Academy, making it a truly international academy.

On completion of the Master class, the Academy offers a *Lifetime Membership in the Goldfinger Club*, with 20% discount on all gilding tools and materials as well as unlimited advice and support. We are there for you until you do not need us anymore. You will find this truly priceless.

Imagine how peaceful it feels to learn this exquisite craft, in this beautiful classroom with a small group of like-minded people. This two-week full-time professional gilding course has been designed to save you time and create an income as well.



Hobby workshop

A DISCOVER GILDING WORKSHOP (\$200), held on a Saturday, is the perfect answer for anybody who wants to learn gilding as a hobby.

In just four hours you can learn, step-by-step, how to apply gold size, Dutch metal leaf (faux gold), seal your project with several coats of shellac to make it durable, and then age the plaque to your taste. You will be very proud of your masterpiece and you can be assured that your family and friends will be impressed! On completion of the gilding workshop, most students cannot wait to start gilding objects around their home.



Brigitte with gilding workshop project

Weekend classes

Sydney: Sat/Sun 10 am – 4 pm
Would you like to add skills and more profits to your business?

This class has been especially designed for people unable to attend weekday classes and is held once a month.

We know how difficult it is for small business owners to find time during the week, so our intensive weekend class may suit you perfectly. The classes run from 10 am – 4 pm Saturday and Sunday and participants are taught, step-by-step, gilding techniques that are applied to furniture, picture frames and mirrors, cornices and even walls.

Many past students have found that gilding adds another dimension to their business, which they have been able to capitalise on by adding a new profit centre and, moreover, it's fun!

The weekend class is very reasonably priced at \$795. This includes the project—an Egyptian plaque—all tuition and materials. In certain circumstances this fee could be claimed as a tax deduction.

Those able to benefit by acquiring this skill include artists, painters, framers, restorers and French polishers; in fact, anyone who wants to add new skills and a new source of profit to their business ■

For more information call Brigitte on 02 9663 3881
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By invitation only free information evening on gilding

Once a month, Art Gilding holds a special information night (from 6 pm to 9 pm) on the art of gilding. Karl conducts a gilding demonstration; an informative video is shown; and all questions on gilding are answered. Food with gold leaf is served and even the wine contains floating 24 carat gold. Gold and silver have been used for centuries to embellish food and we assure you it is absolutely safe to eat and drink.

Best of all, the evening is absolutely free. These very popular evenings are strictly invitation only, so please call Brigitte on 02 9663 3881 for dates and bookings.

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