

PAINTING WITH ANCIENT TECHNIQUES

The course is based on the “Book of Art” by Cennino Cennini (1370-1440) and introduces the paintings techniques in use from 1300 to 1500, through the copy of ancient paintings to learn how to use egg tempera and gold leaf. The whole process for the realization of the painting is covered, from the preparation of the supports to the painting.

Egg tempera is a very stable type of paint composed of pigments mixed with a water-soluble binder (normally a sticky substance like egg yolks). This type of paint dries very quickly and lasts over time. There are art works painted in egg tempera that date back more than 2000 years ago. The egg tempera was the most used pictorial method until after 1500, when it was replaced by oil colors.

Gold leaf is a thin sheet of hammered gold used for gilding, an artisan process that must be done by hand and has remained unchanged for hundreds of years. The gold leaf is traditionally used to decorate statues, paintings, frames, jewels and architectural elements.

PROGRAM

- Preparation of the wooden panel with chalk
- Preparing of egg tempera
- Creation of a drawing
- Transfer of a drawing on panel or canvas with spolvero technique
- Preparation for gold leaf application
- Gilding techniques
- Copy of a painting with egg tempera
- Final varnishing of paintings



PRICES

Number of weeks	BASIC COURSE 6 hours per week	SEMI-INTENSIVE COURSE 10 hours per week	INTENSIVE COURSE 20 hours per week
1	available only as Intensive course		450 €
2	320 €	440 €	770 €
3	420 €	575 €	1105 €
4	495 €	680 €	1240 €
5	575 €	800 €	1460 €
6	650 €	920 €	1675 €
7	755 €	1080 €	1990€
8	855 €	1240 €	2305 €
9	960 €	1375 €	2525 €
10	1060 €	1505 €	2745 €
12	1260 €	1780 €	3270 €

Art materials are not included in the course fees.

Students will be given a list of supplies to buy in a specialized store near the school, where they can find a wide variety of high quality art materials at discounted prices.

Some basic materials can be provided by the school.

At the end of the course students will receive a Certificate of Participation (Diploma).

ABOUT OUR COURSES

Classes start every Monday and are held in the afternoon: Monday to Friday between 3pm and 7pm.

We offer three types of courses:

-**Basic course** (6 hours per week, classes 2 days a week)

-**Semi-intensive** (10 hours per week, classes 3 days a week)

-**Intensive** (20 hours per week, classes 5 days a week)

Students also have access to the school in the morning to carry on with their work on their own.

Students learn through practice and are followed individually by the teacher in the class.

It's possible to book private lessons that are held the morning, subject to availability.

All types of courses are suitable for beginners and experienced students alike. All teachers speak English.