

## **Historic Preservation Selected Bibliography and Resources**

### **Architectural Styles**

Blumenson, John. *Identifying American Architecture: A Pictorial Guide of Styles and Terms, 1600-1945*. Revised Edition. WW Norton & Company, 1981. (\$14.95)

McAlester, Virginia & Lee. *A Field Guide to American Houses*. Alfred A. Knopf, 1984. (\$24.95)

Poppeliers, John C., et. al. *What Style Is It: A Guide to American Architecture*. Preservation Press, National Trust for Historic Preservation and John Wiley & Sons, Inc., 1983. (\$14.95)

Roth, Leland M. *A Concise History of American Architecture*. Westview Press, 1980. (\$50.00)

### **Dating Old Houses**

Howard, Hugh. *How Old Is This House: A Skeleton Key to Dating and Identifying Three Centuries of American Houses*. Farrar, Straus and Giroux, 1989. (\$18.95)

### **Masonry Restoration**

Ashurst, John and Francis G. Dimes, Editors. *Conservation of Building and Decorative Stone*. Butterworth-Heinemann, 1998. (\$59.95)

Holmes, Stafford and Michael Wingate. *Building With Lime: A Practical Introduction*. Revised Edition. Intermediate Technology, 2002. (\$39.95)

McKee, Harley J. *Introduction to Early American Masonry, Stone, Brick, Mortar, and Plaster*. National Trust for Historic Preservation, 1980. (\$58.00)

McRaven, Charles. *Stonework: Techniques and Projects*. Storey Books, 1997. (\$18.95)

Vivian, John. *Building Stone Walls*. Garden Way Publishing, 1976.

## **Painting Practices**

Dixon, Mark and Bob Heidt. *House Painting Inside and Out*. Taunton Press, 1997.  
(\$19.95)

Pearcy, Bobby. *Decorative Painting Color Match: Complete Guide to Finding Color  
Mathces for Every Top Brand Paint*. Sourcebook No. 3, F&W Publications, Inc. ,  
2003.

*This Old House Essential Painting Techniques*. This Old House Books, 2000.  
(\$14.95)

Paint Quality Institute – [www.paintquality.com](http://www.paintquality.com)

## **Plaster Restoration**

Ashurst, John and Nicola. *Mortars, Plaster & Renders*. Practical Building  
Conservation Volume 3, English Heritage Technical Handbook, Halsted Press,  
1988.

Shivers, Natalie. *Walls & Molding: How to Care for Old and Historic Wood and  
Plaster*. The Preservation press, National Trust for Historic Preservation, 1990.  
(\$14.95)

Van Der Branden, F. and Thomas L. Hartsell. *Plastering Skills*. American  
Technical Publications, 1985. (\$40.00)

The following books from Great Britain are available locally from:

Preservation Resource Group, Inc.  
Rockville, MD  
[www.PRGinc.com](http://www.PRGinc.com)  
301-279-2612

Cowper, Ad. *Lime and Lime Mortars*. (First published in 1927), Building Research  
Establishment Ltd, Donhead Publishing Ltd, 1998.

Pasley, C.W. Observations on Lime. (First published in 1838), Donhead  
Publishing Ltd, 1997.

### **Colonial Plaster Formula**

Sand –1-3 parts

Lime –1 part

Hair (very in length around ¾ inches) – 1 lb per 3 cubic feet (4 ½ five-gallon buckets) of  
plaster, spread hair throughout mix

## **Preservation Practices for Wood**

Bealer, Alex W. Old Ways of Working Wood: The Techniques and Tools of a Time-Honored Craft, Revised Edition. Castle Books, 1980. (\$16.00)

Fisher, Charles, Editor. The Window Handbook: Successful Strategies for Rehabilitating Windows in Historic Buildings. National Park Service, Center for Public Buildings, Georgia Institute of Technology, and Historic Preservation Education Foundation, 1991. (\$32.00)

Hoadley, R. Bruce. Understanding Wood: A Craftman's Guide to Wood Technology, Revised Edition. Taunton Press, 2000. (\$39.00)

Hull Historical Molding Catalog 2002, covering 1870-1940. (\$10.00)  
[www.hullhistorical.com](http://www.hullhistorical.com)

McRaven, Charles. Building and Restoring the Hewn Log House, 2d Ed. Betterway Publishers, 1994. (\$21.00)

Window Rehabilitation Guide for Historic Buildings. Historic Preservation Education Foundation and National Park Service, 1997. (\$50.00)

## **Sharpening**

Lee, Leonard. The Complete Guide to Sharpening. Taunton Press, 1995. (\$22.95)

## **General**

Bucher, Ward, Ed. Dictionary of Building Preservation. Preservation Press/John Wiley & Sons, 1996. (\$39.00)

Fisher, Charles E. and Hugh C. Miller, General Editors. Caring For Your Historic House: Preserving and Maintaining Structural Systems, Roofs, Masonry, Plaster, Wallpaper, Paint, Mechanical and Electrical Systems, Windows, Woodwork, Flooring, and Landscape. Heritage Preservation and National Park Service, Harry N. Adams, Inc., 1998. (\$39.95)

Kitchen, Judith L. Caring for Your Old House: A Guide for Owners and Residents. Preservation Press, National Trust for Historic Preservation, 1991. (\$16.95)

Jackson, Albert and David Day. The Complete Home Restoration Manual: An Authoritative, Do-It-Yourself Guide to Restoring and Maintaining the Older House. Simon & Schuster, 1992. (\$40.00)



Labine, Clem and Carolyn Flaherty, Editors. The Old-House Journal Compendium, Fourth Printing. The Overlook Press, 1980.

National Trust for Historic Preservation. Preservation Yellow Pages. Preservation Press, 2002. (\$25.00)

National Trust for Historic Preservation. A Guide to Tax-Advantaged Rehabilitation. Preservation Press, 2002. (\$8.00)

Preservation Sourcebook: The Comprehensive Directory of Products and Services for Historic Preservation and Restoration. Mid-Atlantic Edition. Preservation Publications, LLC, Annual. (\$24.95)

Weaver, Martin E. Conserving Buildings: A Manual of Techniques and Materials, Revised Edition. John Wiley & Sons, Inc., 1997. (\$45.00)

Wilbur, C. Keith. Home Building and Woodworking in Colonial America. The Globe Pequot Press, 1992. (\$15.95)

## **Useful Websites**

American Institute of Architects – [www.aia.org](http://www.aia.org)

Artist-Blacksmith's Association of North America – [www.abana.org](http://www.abana.org)

Association for Preservation Technology-DC – [www.aptdc.org](http://www.aptdc.org)

Dry Stone Conservancy – [www.DryStoneUSA.org](http://www.DryStoneUSA.org)

International Masonry Institute – [www.iniweb.org](http://www.iniweb.org)

National Building Museum – [www.nbm.org](http://www.nbm.org)

National Center for Preservation Technology & Training Newsletter – [www.ncptt.nps.gov](http://www.ncptt.nps.gov)

National Park Service Preservation Briefs – [www2.cr.nps.gov](http://www2.cr.nps.gov)

Old House Journal – [www.oldhousejournal.com](http://www.oldhousejournal.com)

Paint Quality Institute – [www.paintquality.com](http://www.paintquality.com)

Preservation Sourcebook: The Comprehensive Directory of Products and Services for Historic Preservation and Restoration – [www.preservationweb.com](http://www.preservationweb.com)

Preservation Trades Network – [www.ptn.org](http://www.ptn.org)



This Old House – [www.thisoldhouse.com](http://www.thisoldhouse.com)

Timber Framers Guild – [www.valimeworks.com](http://www.valimeworks.com)

Virginia Lime Works – [www.valimeworks.com](http://www.valimeworks.com)

## **Preservation Resources**

**Campbell Center for Historic Preservation Studies – [www.campbellcenter.org](http://www.campbellcenter.org)**

Presents 3-6 day courses annually from mid-May through October on historic preservation, conservation, and care of collections.

**Eastfield Village – [www.daats.com/gac/eastfield/eastfield.htm](http://www.daats.com/gac/eastfield/eastfield.htm)**

Presents summer workshops on early American trades and historic preservation.

**Historic Preservation Services – [www2.cr.nps.gov](http://www2.cr.nps.gov)**

This National Park Service division provides free Web classes on recognizing the character of and caring for your historic building.

**Maryland Historical Trust – [www.marylandhistoricaltrust.net](http://www.marylandhistoricaltrust.net)**

Provides preservation grants, maintains an inventory of historic sites, and sells educational materials and maps.

**National Trust for Historic Preservation – [www.nthp.org](http://www.nthp.org)**

**National Trust for Online Magazine – [www.PreservationOnline.org](http://www.PreservationOnline.org)**

**National Trust Publications – [www.preservationbooks.org](http://www.preservationbooks.org)**

Site features historic travel destinations, old house fix-up tips, Preservation Press catalogue, and news.

**Preservation Maryland – [www.preservmd.org](http://www.preservmd.org)**

A statewide organization that provides funds for historic restoration and supports legislative issues related to preserving historic resources; also sponsors an annual conference on restoration.

**Recent Past Preservation Network – [www.recentpast.org](http://www.recentpast.org)**

Promotes the preservation of buildings from the recent past and help others who are trying to do the same. Too often we lose important buildings that are less than fifty-years old, buildings that are considered “out of style,” or buildings that are declared “non-contributing” to history at the civic, state, or national level.

## **Selected Tool and Supply Sources**

### **Bora-Care Insect Wood Protection – [www.bora-care.com](http://www.bora-care.com)**

Nisus Corporation  
215 Dunavant Drive  
Rockford, TN 37853  
1800-264-0870  
Email: [nisus@nisuscorp.com](mailto:nisus@nisuscorp.com)

Also available locally from:  
Preservation Resource Group, Inc.  
Rockville, MD

**[www.PRGinc.com](http://www.PRGinc.com)**

301-279-2612

### **ConServ Epoxy and Fiberglass Rod Rebars – [www.conservepoxy.com](http://www.conservepoxy.com)**

HouseCraft Associates  
7 Goodale Road  
Newton, NJ 07860  
973-576-1112

### **Early Tools Information & Sources – [www.EAIAinfo.org](http://www.EAIAinfo.org)**

Early American Industries Association  
C/o Elton W. Hall, Executive Director  
167 Bakerville Road  
So. Dartmouth, MA 02748  
508-993-4198

### **Epoxy Patching and Resurfacing Cement/Grout – [www.abatron.com](http://www.abatron.com)**

Abatron, Inc.  
5501 95<sup>th</sup> Avenue,  
Kenosha, WI 53144  
1-800-445-1754  
262-653-2000  
Also see West System Epoxy Products below.

### **Glass: “Old Style” (new wavy window glass)**

Artisan Glass Works, Inc.  
5700 Bellona Avenue (at York Road)  
Baltimore, MD 21212  
410-435-0300



**Nu-Wal Restoration System – [www.nu-wal.com](http://www.nu-wal.com)**

Specification Chemicals, Inc.  
824 Keeler Street,  
Boone, IA 50036  
1-800-247-3932  
Fax: 515-432-8366  
[www.spec-chem.com](http://www.spec-chem.com)

**Old Time Linseed Oil Putty (Glazing Compound)**

Sterling-Clark-Lurton (SCL), Corp  
Malden, MA 02143  
1-800-225-4444

**Plaster Washers – [www.charlesstsupply.com](http://www.charlesstsupply.com)**

Charles Street Supply  
54 Charles Street  
Boston, MA 02114  
617-367-9046  
Fax: 617-367-0682  
Email: [online@charlesstsupply.com](mailto:online@charlesstsupply.com)  
(Website has instructions on repairing plaster walls and an extensive series of other project tips.)

**Pro Prep Scrapers – [www.proprep.com](http://www.proprep.com)**

Pacific Handy Cutters, Inc.  
2968 Randolph Avenue  
Costa Mesa, CA 92626  
1-800-229-2233  
Fax: 714-662-7595  
Email: [info@pacifichandycutter.com](mailto:info@pacifichandycutter.com)

Also available locally from:  
Preservation Resource Group, Inc.  
Rockville, MD  
**[www.PRGinc.com](http://www.PRGinc.com)**  
301-279-2612

**Rubber Molds – [www.smooth-on.com](http://www.smooth-on.com)**

Smooth-On  
2000 Saint John Street  
Easton, PA 19042  
1-800-762-0744  
610-1252-5800



**Samson Sash Cord – [www.leighgroup.com](http://www.leighgroup.com)**

The Leigh Group  
Customer Service  
2834 Schoeneck Road  
Macungie, PA 18062  
610-966-9702

**Storm Windows & Neoprene Weatherizing Tubing**

Resource Conservation Technology, Inc.  
Baltimore, MD  
410-366-1146

**Warner Electric Paint Remover – Model No. 382**

Adler's Hardware (specializes in hard-to-find Warner tools)  
\$69.99 plus \$10.00 shipping  
Email [Adlershdwe@aol.com](mailto:Adlershdwe@aol.com)  
401-421-5157

**Water-Repellant Wood Treatment Formula**

Exterior varnish – 3 cups  
Paraffin wax – 1 ounce  
Mineral spirits or paint thinner or turpentine – Add to make one gallon

**West System Epoxy Products – [www.westsystem.com](http://www.westsystem.com)**

Gougeon Brothers, Inc  
P.O. Box 908  
Bay City, MI 48707-9918  
517-684-1374  
Fax: 517-684-1374

**Window Supplies/Putty Softner Plate/Putty Hacking Knife/Cotton Sash Cord – [www.crlaurence.com](http://www.crlaurence.com)**

C.R. Laurence Company, Inc.  
2503 East Vernon Avenue  
Los Angeles, CA 90058  
1-800-421-6144  
Fax: 1-800-262-3299  
Email: [custserv@crlaurence.com](mailto:custserv@crlaurence.com)

**Wood Columns – [www.schwerdcolumns.com](http://www.schwerdcolumns.com)**

A.F. Schwerd Manufacturing Company  
3215 McClure Avenue,  
Pittsburg, PA 15212  
412-766-6322  
Fax: 412-766-2262

**Quality Tool and Supply Catalogues**

**Garrett Wade – [www.garrettwade.com](http://www.garrettwade.com)**

161 Avenue of the Americas  
New York, NY 10013  
1-800-221-2942

**Universal Solid-Carbide Edge Sharpener – [www.garrettwade.com](http://www.garrettwade.com)  
Garrett Wade Tool Catalog No. 02N04.01 - \$24.50 (see below)**

**Highland Hardware – [www.highlandhardware.com](http://www.highlandhardware.com)**

1045 N. Highland Avenue, NE  
Atlanta, GA 30306  
1-800-241-6748

**Preservation Resource Group, Inc. – [www.PRGinc.com](http://www.PRGinc.com)**

Rockville, MD  
301-279-2612

**The Japan Woodworker – [www.japanwoodworker.com](http://www.japanwoodworker.com)**

1731 Clement Avenue  
Alameda, CA 94501  
1-800-537-7820

**Tool Crib – [www.toolcrib.amazon.com](http://www.toolcrib.amazon.com)**

P.O. Box 14930  
Grand Forks, ND 58208-4930  
Customer Service: 1-800-844-9132  
Technical Support: 1-800-358-3096

**Woodcraft – [www.woodcraft.com](http://www.woodcraft.com)**

560 Airport Industrial Park  
P.O. Box 1686  
Parkersburg, WV 26102-1686  
Customer Service: 1-800-535-4482  
Technical Advice: 1-800-535-4486