



MEMORIST

HERITAGE & BEYOND

TRAINING PROGRAMME INTRODUCTION TO HERITAGE PAPER CONSERVATION

DATES: 24 NOVEMBER – 28 NOVEMBER 2025

LOCATION: WESTERN CAPE ARCHIVES AND
RECORDS SERVICE
72 ROELAND STREET, GARDENS, CAPE TOWN

RSVP link: [Confirm Attendance and Register](#)
Cost R15 000 per attendee
Please note that spaces are limited



WHAT YOU CAN EXPECT

MEMORIST will be hosting a five-day basic paper conservation training workshop at Western Cape Archives and Record Services in Cape Town.

Facilitated by an expert MEMORIST conservator from La Reliure du Limousin in France.

By the end of this one-week introductory training, you will be empowered with the knowledge and skills to better understand the physical properties of archival papers, best practices on how to restore and effect conservation measures to your own paper collections.

Remedial protocols, including cleaning, tear repairs, paper reinforcement, and correctly document all restorative interventions will hold no secrets for you after this workshop delivered by our expert conservator of MEMORIST and La Reliure du Limousin (France).

*All materials will be supplied**

DAY 01



MORNING CONDITION REPORTING

- History of paper making, bookbinding, and inks
- Identification of heritage materials (bindings,

different kinds of paper...)

- Identification of the different factors in the degradation for paper-based heritage collection (mould, insect damage, , chemical damage due to misuse, acid inks and paper...)
- Purpose of conservation

AFTERNOON PRACTICAL TRAINING

- implementation of condition reports on different case studies
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DAY 02

MORNING PREVENTIVE CONSERVATION, RISKS AND DISASTER MANAGEMENT

- Measures to implement before a disaster
- Disaster management
- Mould treatment

AFTERNOON PRACTICAL TRAINING

- Case studies & simulations
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MORNING CONSERVATION OVERVIEW

- History of paper conservation
- Conservation materials and tools
- First steps of conservation

AFTERNOON PRACTICAL TRAINING

- Dismantling, cleaning, foliation, and (dry and wet) flattening of heritage papers
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DAY 04

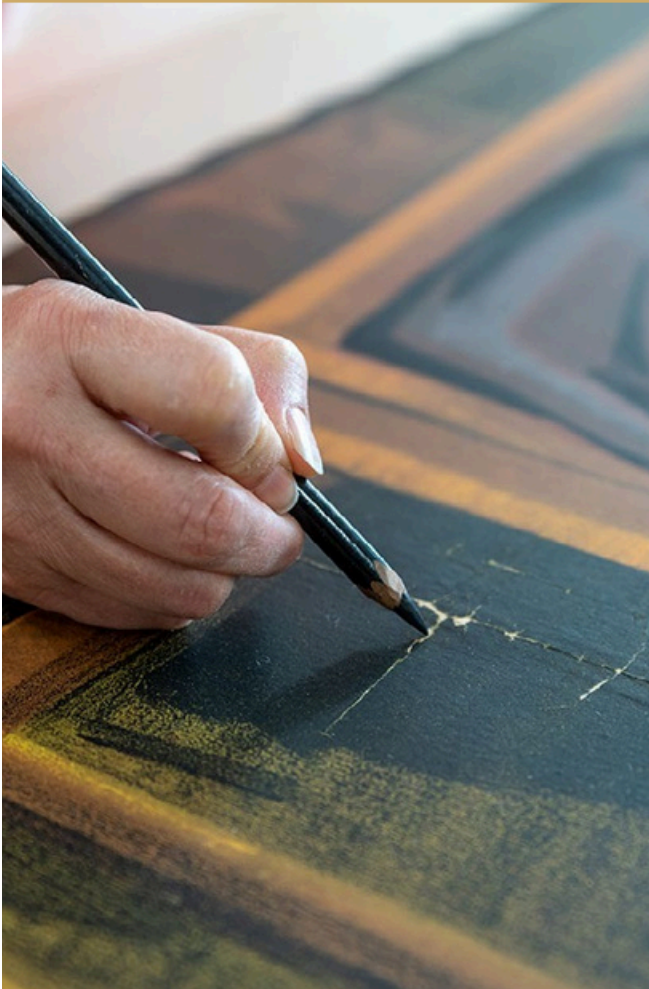
MORNING ADVANCED CONSERVATION TECHNIQUES

- Identification of all conservation operations
- Iconographical document conservation vs written document conservation

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- Practical advice
 - Japanese paper overview (gsm, shade, make, nature...)

AFTERNOON PRACTICAL TRAINING

- (lining, reinforcement, in-filling, and trimming...)
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DAY 05

MORNING INTERVENTION PROTOCOLS

- Establishment of an appropriate and detailed conservation protocol
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- Design a photographic intervention report

AFTERNOON PRACTICAL TRAINING

- Complete case study: Using an old document as a reference, establish a conservation protocol and perform the conservation
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FOR ANY QUERIES

PLEASE DON'T HESITATE
TO CONTACT ME.

Should you wish to source any of our materials, please feel free to contact us to see how we can meet your needs.

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