

RESTORATION PORTFOLIO

For over 10 years Home Is Where The Art Is has provided a variety of Restoration Services.

We strive to maintain the highest standards in workmanship and integrity. Our reputation is very important to us. We carefully plan and execute each restoration project, caring for each piece of work entrusted to us as if it were our own.







Our expertise comes from our 10 plus years of experience and on-going training and from a variety of sources. Each work presents its own curiosities and possible constraints. We examine each work and research the appropriate treatments and applications in an ever changing environment of materials and processes.

HIWTAI works to meet our client's expectations and needs. We strive to work within client budgets while maintaining concepts of long-term preservation and care.

When warranted, thorough documentation is provided. Documentation includes photographs, before during and after, treatment plans, releases, and appraisals when needed.

On cultural materials of significance ethical codes and standards are crucial. HIWTAI will refer to AIC certified conservators when deemed in the best interest of the client and work of art.



TYPICAL FIRE AND WATER DAMAGE WE REPAIR



FIRE

In 1996, Home Is Where The Art Is, offered restoration services at the request of it's clients.

Our reputation grew and we began working with restoration companies. We have helped project managers with the art specific needs of their clients. We are able to pack-out, assess, stabilize, remediate and restore. In-house we restore works of art, frames and frame packages-from damage due to neglect, breakage, fire, and water.



MOLD

We have met and guided clients, on an as needed basis, and worked in partnership with Restoration Companies and Insurance Company Claims Adjusters.



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- Frame Repair and Replacement
- GLASS REPLACEMENT
- CLEANING AND STABILIZATION





Breakage, Water and Smoke

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FRAMES IN NEED OF REPAIR

A FEW OF OUR SERVICES-



- REPAIRS
- RE-CASTING
- RE-FINISHING





- REPLACEMENT OF BROKEN GLASS
- RE-FRAMING
- LIKE-KIND FRAME REPLACEMENTS (OVER 4,000 FRAMES AVAILABLE)



- READY-MADE FRAME MATCHES WHEN AVAILABLE
- MOLD REMEDIATION
- CLEANING
- STABILIZATION OF CONTENTS
- Re-framing of contents into refurbished frame
- Preservation and museum Quality framing available
- MUSEUM MOUNTING





PEFORE



AFTER

FRAME RESTORATION AND REPAIR



BEFORE



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FRAME RESTORATION

SCROLL/OVAL FRAME PRIVATE CLIENT

Damage: Crushed in move by pet

Services included: Repair Casting and hand work Gold Finish Patina/Antiquing

Re-framing of Hand Painted Platter

Accidental damage caused by a canine mishap brought this frame into our studio. The frame was virtually destroyed in many places and in about 75 pieces. Recasting and reconstruction were in order

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FRAME RESTORATION

FRAME RESTORATION AND REPAIR

Damage: Smoke, Water and Surface damage to Frame, severe charring.

Services included:

Rebuilding damaged areas, casting, gilding, faux toning and patina to original frame.







FINE ART

FRAME RESTORATION

PRIVATE CLIENT

Frame C. About 1743-1812 Painting: Henry Benbridge "Lady with Mulberries"

Damage: Humidity and Water damage from pipe breakage. Age and prior damage as well.

Services included: Repair of Frame Casting Gesso replacement and Carving 22K gilding

Toning
Fitting of painting into frame with full museum
conservation standards



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FINE ART

FRAME RESTORATION

PRIVATE CLIENT

Frame C. About 1890
Painting: Mary Fairchild
"Woman with Children"

Damage: Humidity and Water damage from to

frame. Prior poor retouching.

Services included: Repair of Frame Casting Gesso replacement and Carving 22K gilding

Toning

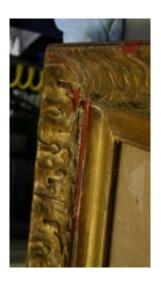
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PAINTINGS IN NEED OF REPAIR











SMOKE RESIDUE

PARTIAL LIST OF SERVICES-

- DENTS REPAIRED
- TEARS-REPAIR TO CANVAS
- MISSING PAINT- IN-PAINTING OF MISSING AREAS
- SECURE LOOSE PAINT
- SUPERFICIAL DAMAGE-REPAIR SCRATCHES AND TEARS
- CLEANING/REMOVAL OF
 - SMOKE
 - PARTICULATE
 - GRIME
- VARNISH REMOVAL AND RE-VARNISH
- RE-LINING OF CANVAS
- Canvas stretching





BEFORE



AFTER



AFTER

OIL PAINTING

STREET SCENE PRIVATE CLIENT

Services included: Canvas Tear Repair Warpage/Relax and re-stretch canvas Fill/Textured Retouching Varnish This painting was painted by the client's great-grandfather. It was torn in a move and the canvas had warped.

After the work the client wrote a note to us:

"I am thrilled with the work your company did on my grandfathers oil painting. It looks just like it did before the damage. Grandpa would be so proud." -E.M.









OIL PAINTING

STREET SCENE PRIVATE CLIENT

Services included: Lining of painting Consolidation of "peeling" paint Warpage/Relax and re-stretch canvas Retouching Varnish

AFTER

This oil painting was done by the clients father. The canvas had not been primed and the paint was de-laminating from the surface of the canvas.

The painting was lined with canvas and beva adhesive to consolidate the paint layers.





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AFTER



OIL PAINTING

SAINT PRIVATE CLIENT

Services included:
Removal of Paper adhered to front
Flattening
Cleaning
Securing Flaking Paint
Lining
Stretch
Repair and In-painting
Varnish

Custom Framing

This oil had sustained damage before the client stored it between two pieces of cardboard. The original damage included areas of missing paint scattered over the entire surface, weakened canvas, and cut edge on all four sides. The acid from the cardboard increased the degradation of the canvas and the cardboard had stuck to the varnish and paint on the surface of the work.

The surface of the painting was cleaned, in-filled and retouched. The client wished to leave a minimal amount of "non-repaired areas" because "that is how I (he) remembered it-slightly irregular and old looking, not perfect."



INPAINTING OF OIL PAINTINGS

Before After



Detail area of infill areas and repair work. Client wanted to leave some age-cracking to surface of work.

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VARNISH AND DIRT REMOVAL



BEFORE

AFTER

OIL PAINTING

SCOTTISH ORIGINS
C. 1800'S
PRIVATE CLIENT

Services included: Varnish Removal

Cleaning Repair and In-painting of areas (see finished work on next page)





BEFORE

AFTER

OIL PAINTING

SCOTTISH ORIGINS
C. 1800'S
PRIVATE CLIENT

Services included: Varnish Removal Repair and In-painting (see finished work on next page)









DEFORE

AFTER

CHILDREN'S ART

CHILDRENS SELF-PORTRAITS

After the fire the children's art was restored and repaired.

These are paintings on canvas with acrylic paint medium.



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CLEANING AND REPAIR

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OIL PAINTING -LANDSCAPE

Artist: Gustav Wolff 1863-1935

PRIVATE CLIENT

Services included:

Cleaning, Relaxing, Lining, and Varnish

Fun moments:

The clients found another painting under the one they were having repaired.



AFTER





Detail



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AFTER DEFORE

OIL PAINTING CLEANING

LAST SUPPER WITH CHRIST CLIENT: RESTORATION COMPANY

Services included: Cleaning Removal of Old Varnish Re-Varnish

Custom Framing

This painting arrived to us from a fire. Smoke from the fire covered the surface and canvas back. The owners were smokers and the painting had a covering of nicotine as well. Luckily the painting had a good varnish that could be removed.





FRAME REPAIR
Cleaning, casting and gilding

Water Damaged Frame Detail Before Treatment



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OIL PAINTING

EXCELSIOR FACTORY

CLIENT: St. Louis Motor Cycle Museum

Services included:

Flattening

Cleaning

Securing Flaking Paint

Lining

Stretch

Repair and In-painting

Varnish

Custom Framing

AFTER

Damage to this painting was from neglect and improper storage. The paint was cracked and the canvas deteriorating.

My understanding is that the Excelsior Factory first produced Harley-Davidson Motorcycles.

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PEFORE

AFTER





RESTORATION PHOTOGRAPHS

- REPAIR BY DIGITAL IMAGING
- , Reprinting
- , ARCHIVAL QUALITY PRINTS AVAILABLE
- , FIBER PRINTS/DARKROOM WORK
- RESTORATION TO ORIGINALS
 WHERE POSSIBLE WHEN DESIRED
- HOUSING FOR LONGEVITY DEPENDS ON THE "PHOTOGRAPH" TYPE. ALL ARCHIVAL MEANS ARE USED ON ORIGINALS WHEN DESIRED BY THE CLIENT.











BEFORE



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Photo Digital Restoration

- 1. Photographs after removal from the frames.
- 2. Photographs after initial cleaning.
- 3. Photographs after scanning and digital restoration.



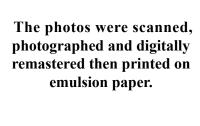












protective equipment.

water sewer back-up. They had been exposed to moisture for several weeks and mold growth was heavy. They were a bio-hazard and had to be handled with full personal







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Photo Digital Restoration and Framing

These items came from a black water sewer back-up. They had been exposed to moisture for several weeks and mold growth was heavy. They were a bio-hazard and had to be handled with full personal protective equipment through the restoration process.

The photos were scanned, photographed and digitally remastered then printed on emulsion paper and then assembled into a custom period reproduction frame.

Before



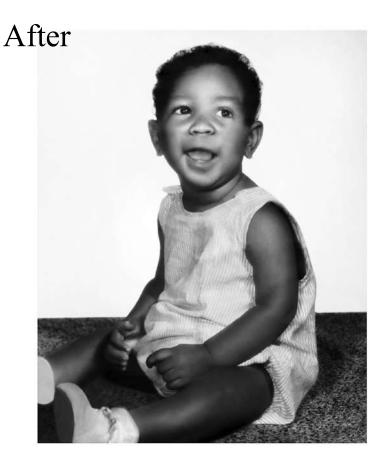


After





RESTORATION PHOTOGRAPH





After

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AFTER

PHOTO RESTORATION

POTRAIT FROM FIRE

Damage: Smoke, Water and Surface damage to photo.

Services included:

Washing of Photograph by Huegh Edmondson, Retouching and Repair by Home Is Where The Art Is

Reframed in clients original frame. See next page for Frame Restoration and Completed Project.



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BEFORE

AFTER







- Repair by Digital Imaging
- , Reprinting
- , ARCHIVAL QUALITY PRINTS
- , Fiber Prints/Darkroom work















BEFORE

AFTER

PORTRAIT AND FRAME RESTORATION/REPAIR

POTRAIT AND FRAME FROM FIRE

Damage:

Smoke, Water and Surface damage to photo. Frame charred, burnt and damaged, finish of frame unrecognizable.

Services included:

Washing of Photograph by Huegh Edmondson, Retouching and Repair of Photograph by Home Is Where The Art Is. Repair and Restoration of original frame to like/kind original finish (casting, gilding and patina). Reframed in clients original repaired frame. See next two pages for Details of the completed project. This family heirloom portrait of the clients mother arrived to us from a fire. Smoke from the fire covered the surface of the photo The glass had broken during the fire and water damage was on the photo combined with soot. The frame had been exposed to excessive heat and flame in the fire and the finish was charred off.

Details of the photo and frame are on the next two pages.

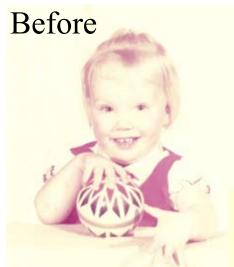
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RESTORATION FADED PHOTOGRAPHS Before After











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BEFORE





AFTER

PHOTO RESTORATION

INSURANCE COMPANY/CLIENT

Services included:

Removal of Work for assessment Stain Removal Mold Treatment Digital Restoration, Canvas Printing

Custom Framing



RESTORATION OLD PHOTOGRAPHS





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PEFORE

AFTER











RESTORATION PHOTOGRAPHS

- Repair by Digital Imaging
- , REPRINTING
- , ARCHIVAL QUALITY PRINTS
- , Fiber Prints/Darkroom work



FINE-ART IN NEED OF RESTORATION



HOME IS WHERE THE ART IS HAS WORKED WITH A WIDE VARIETY OF ART ON PAPER, SOME REQUIRING TLC AND REPAIR, OTHERS INVOLVING MORE EXTENSIVE RESTORATION.

BELOW ARE LISTED A FEW OF OUR SERVICES:

- CLEANING
- DRYING
- STABILIZATION OF CONTENTS
- RETOUCHING
- TAPE REMOVAL
- MOLD REMEDIATION
- DEACIDIFICATION
- FLATTENING
- Preservation and Museum **QUALITY FRAMING TREATMENTS** AVAILABLE
- "BLEACHING"
- DRY MOUNTING
- MATTING
- ART SEARCHES FOR REPLACEMENTS



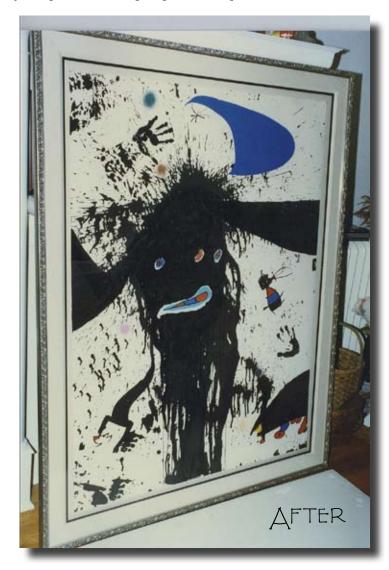












SILK SCREEN-MIRO

PRIVATE CLIENT

Services included: Stabilization Cleaning Flattening

Framing:
Handwrap Linen backing,liners and handwrap matting
Framing in oversize materials
Filet and Frame

This piece had a pipe break in a wall that was behind the work. The clients were out of town and mold growth occured from the back to the front.

Piece was stablized, dried and flattened. The client chose a three tier fabric handwrap mat with filet as a primary support for the an archival conservation linen was wrapped on a rag mat support and reinforced.

Above there is a picture of the hinging process which was quite extensive.

Finished size: 6.5 feet by 5.5 feet





FINE ART

CHARCOAL ON NEWS PRINT RESTORATION CLIENT

Damage: Smoke damage and acid burn

Services included: Cleaning of residue De-acidification

Preservation Framing











PEFORE

AFTER

FINE ART

SILK SCREEN PRINT RESTORATION CLIENT

Damage: Mold growth from water damage

Services included: Mold removal from art surface Flattening

Framing to full museum conservation standards

This silk screen came from a water disaster job. Mold was beginning to grow on the surface of the inks. Mold was removed and the piece was treated in a fungicidal chamber to inhibit regrowth in the future.

In the original framing the work was taped on the back down the entire work. Tape was removed and the piece received museum quality hinging with Japanese paper using wheat and rice paste.

The original frame package was destroyed in the flood. It was replaced to the highest standards of museum quality framing.









ETCHING

PRIVATE CLIENT

Services included:

Removal of Work for assessment Stain Removal Mold Treatment

Custom Framing





DEFORE-BACK





DEFORE-FRONT



AFTER

PAINTING ON SILK

WATER LILIES ON SILK RESTORATION CLIENT

Damage: Mold and water damage

Services included: Repair to textile Mold removal Fungicide chamber treatment Flattening

Preservation Framing







BEFORE

AFTER

DRINT

CLOWN-ON CARDBOARD
-PURE SENTIMENTAL VALUE
PRIVATE CLIENT

Damage: Surface damage, color loss, tears, ink pen drawn on surface of face, and eraser marks from prior removal attempt.

Services included:

Repair of art my infill, in-painting, and hand tinting surface. Varnish to surface.

Reframed in clients original frame from childhood. Original gift from his mother.



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BEFORE

DRINT-FACE DETAIL

CLOWN

-PURE SENTIMENTAL VALUE

PRIVATE CLIENT

Damage: Surface damage, color loss, tears, ink pen drawn on surface of face, and eraser marks from prior removal attempt.

Services included:

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NEEDLE-ART NEED OF RESTORATION

BELOW ARE LISTED A FEW OF OUR SERVICES:



TORN AND FIBERS DISCONNECTED AND DEGRADING

- , REPAIR
- NEEDLE-POINT BLOCKING AND STRETCHING
- , CROSS-STITCH STRETCHING
- , CLEANING
- **FRAMING**
- **CONSERVATION TREATMENTS**
- FRAMING OF NEEDLE ART AND TEXTILES



DYE BLEEDS



Framin



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STAIN REMOVAL



AFTER

CHINESE FORBIDDEN STITCH

PRIVATE CLIENT

Services included:

Repair of Needle Art
Custom Hand dyed archival quality
backing fabric
Hand dyed floss fibers to match
original

Custom Framing

The silk on this piece was so very brittle and torn in many areas. The fibers had been broken and pulled over the entire piece.





DEFORE



AFTER



PEFORE



AFTER

TEXTILES

ANTIQUE SAMPLER PRIVATE CLIENT

Damage: Color/floss dye bleed-over entire surface

Services included: Repair to textile Removal of color bleed throughout entire piece Tea dye-back of ground fabric where needed

Preservation textile framing



AFTER





BEFORE





PEFORE

TEXTILES

WOOLIE COLLECTION PRIVATE CLIENT

Damage: Deterioration/Acid Burn/Pulled Stitches

Services included:
Repair to textiles
Removal from old stretchers, replaced with museum rag substrate and conservation batting cotton
Sealed original frames for reuse
Preservation framing



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AFTER

Client acquired many woolies over his lifetime. Collection presented for stabilization, restoration and re-framing of some items to a higher conservation/preservation standard.



JOCUMENTS IN NEED OF RESTORATION



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- , "BLEACHING"

- DRY MOUNTING
- , MATTING







certificate Re-mastering







BEFORE

Bio-hazard-Wet and mold Black Water





SCRAPBOOK

Black water damage PPE (Don't do this at home)

Deconstruct Album

Dried

Cleaned All items scanned

Digitally remastered Cropping, discard items of no hope Layout and Design

Printing Scrapbook Rebuilding







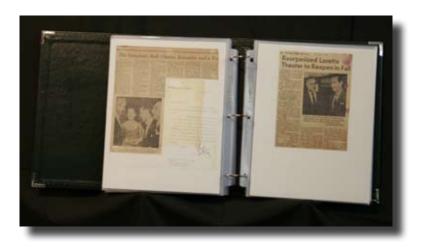


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A small sampling of the album pages before treatment.

SCRAPBOOK AFTER REPAIR









BEFORE



Initial intake fire, smoke and water damage.



After smoke removal, but before digital remastering.



After digital remastering and like-kind certificate framing replacements.







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CERTIFICATES

Cleaned
Digitally remastered.
Original paper blanks searched and found
Printing
Matched Plaque materials and replaced
Construction of items



A small sampling of the certificates before treatment.

After the fire this Lodge wanted to recover/replace the many years of certificates and awards that had celebrated it's success.

We did many certificates for them, this is an example of two of them, with a few other before examples of the others below.

