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Guild of Book Workers
1994 Standards of Excellence Seminar

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Presentation:

In Search of Elegance: Board Edges Redefined

I. Introduction

II. Board edges: discussion

Protective, decorative

Interesting historical examples

Chemise

Girdle

Islamic

Ties, clasps

Metal edges and corners

Shapes: beveled, chamfered, cushioned

Yapp edges

Ornamented

III. Board edges: demonstration

A. Choosing and preparing boards

Board composition: samples provided

Choosing boards related to use, book format, design

Laminating for strength

Shaping

B. A method of covering edges and corners

Tools: band nippers

bone folders

kraft paper

small scissors

C. Covering board edges for a half-leather book—decorative leather strips

Preparation of area beneath strip

Preparation of strip

Shaping and cutting to size with feathered edges

D. Complex-shaped board edges: Board edges as an element of design

Techniques for piercing

Shaping and finishing

Covering board thickness

Tongue and groove joins

Preparation of covering leather

Finishing

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French points, paring knives, tooling stove, chromglanz

Etabl. Maurice Norro et Fils
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B-1060 Brussels
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Leather

Relma
6, rue Danton
75006 Paris

General bookbinding tools

Conservation Materials Ltd.
1275 Kleppe Lane, #10
Post Office Box 2884
Sparks, Nevada 89431
Telephone 702 331 0582

Materials, supplies, tools

Micro Mark
340 Snyder Avenue
Berkeley Heights, New Jersey 07922-1595
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