

# Mending Broken Porcelain

If you have a damaged piece of porcelain or pottery, it is often possible to repair it. You will need to contact a ceramics restorer to assess whether a repair is possible and worthwhile. They will usually need to see the piece or a really good photograph of it, to make a first assessment and give you an estimate of the cost.

There are several different types of repair. 'Museum repairs' aim to make an object stable and to halt any deterioration. It will not disguise any damage, but usually will involve deep cleaning of the object so that things such as cracks are less obvious. Other, more expensive, types of restoration can completely disguise any damage by painting or spraying over any faults or even making complete new replacement parts such as handles and lids. A professional restorer will always advise the best and most appropriate type of repair for your object.

You could try the Institute for Conservation for more information [www.icon.org.uk](http://www.icon.org.uk) or look at [www.conservationregister.com](http://www.conservationregister.com)

Please note: **this list is not a recommendation or guarantee for quality of work**

## **CHESHIRE**

David Adams, Monogram Studios, 25 Kinsey Street, Congleton, Cheshire, CW12 1ES.  
Tel 01260 273957 Antique pottery & porcelain. Architectural ceramics.

## **BUCKINGHAMSHIRE**

David Battams,  
Tel.079568 32375 All types and makes of ceramics, crystal, glass and resin.  
Museum and invisible repairs. Member of Institute of Conservation.  
Email: [info@chinarepair.com](mailto:info@chinarepair.com) Website [www.chinarepairsandrestorations.com](http://www.chinarepairsandrestorations.com)

## **HERTFORDSHIRE**

Beckwith & Son, The Vergers House. 43 St. Andrew Street, Hertford, Herts, SG14 1HZ.  
Tel 01992 582079. Oriental and European porcelain restorer.  
Email: [sales@beckwithandsonantiques.co.uk](mailto:sales@beckwithandsonantiques.co.uk) Website: [www.beckwithantiques.com](http://www.beckwithantiques.com)

## **IRELAND, NORTHERN**

Clare Ross, Dunluce Antiques, 33 Ballytober Road, Bushmills, Co. Antrim, BT57 8UU.  
Tel 028 207 31140. Antique and modern pottery and porcelain. Trained at West Dean.

## **MIDLANDS**

Bronte Porcelain, Merebrook Business Park, Hanley Rd. Malvern, Worcestershire, WR13 6NP  
Tel. 01684 – 310888 [enquiries@bronteporcelain.com](mailto:enquiries@bronteporcelain.com) (20<sup>th</sup> century ornamental bone china specialists)

Replacement ceramic lids – [sales@replacementceramiclids.co.uk](http://sales@replacementceramiclids.co.uk)

Paul Clarke, Farcroft Restoration & conservation, Unit17, Langley Drive, Castle Bromwich B35 7AD All pottery and porcelain, esp. figurines and museum repairs.  
Tel: 0121 47 3333 Email: [gcr@farcroftuk.com](mailto:gcr@farcroftuk.com) Website: [www.ceramicsrepair.co.uk](http://www.ceramicsrepair.co.uk)

### **OXFORDSHIRE**

Mrs Hannah West, Croft House China Restorations, 35 The Crofts, Witney, Oxon, OX28 4AQ.  
Tel 01993 705 709. All types of ceramic restoration.  
Email: [hannah@griffin-crofts.demon.co.uk](mailto:hannah@griffin-crofts.demon.co.uk) Website [www.restorationworks.co.uk](http://www.restorationworks.co.uk)

Dauphin Museum Services, PO Box 602, East Oxford, OX44 9LU Tel. 01865 343542.  
Chemical cleaning, invisible or museum restoration of ceramics, glass, silver, paper etc.  
Email: [enquires@dauphin.co.uk](mailto:enquires@dauphin.co.uk) Website [www.dauphin.co.uk](http://www.dauphin.co.uk)

### **SCOTLAND**

Catherine Ritchie, 72 Novar Drive, Glasgow, Strathclyde, G12 9TZ. Tel 0141 339 0331.  
General: European, Oriental and modern ceramics.

### **STAFFORDSHIRE**

Alan Finney Antiques Ltd. 3 John Street, Biddulph, Stoke-on-Trent, Staffs. ST8 6BB  
Tel. 01782 519006 All types of pottery and porcelain, esp. antique.

### **SURREY**

Vivane Art & Design 20, Malden Rd. Cheam Village Surrey SM3 8QF. Tel 0208 664 4757.  
Modern and antique porcelain and pottery, lamp conversions. Guild of Master Craftsmen.

### **SUSSEX, WEST**

Carol Banks & Son, September Cottage, 88 Victoria Rd, Shoreham-by-Sea, BN43 5WS. Tel 01273 461647. Pottery & porcelain, especially figures, animals and majolica. Museum repairs & lectures on restoration.

West Dean College, West Dean, Chichester, West Sussex, PO18 1QZ. Tel 01243 811301.  
Tuition available. All types of ceramics and glass. [enquires@westdean.org.uk](mailto:enquires@westdean.org.uk)

### **WALES**

Peter David, 1 Peterswell Road, Barry, Vale of Glamorgan, CF62 7NB. Tel 01446 748153.  
All pottery and porcelain repairs carried out. Museum repairs.  
Accredited Member of the Institute for Conservation  
[pete@pjdceramics.fsnet.co.uk](mailto:pete@pjdceramics.fsnet.co.uk) Website [www.pjdceramics.co.uk](http://www.pjdceramics.co.uk)

Paula Chalinder, Monmouth Conservation Studio, Bridges Community centre,  
Wonastow road, Monmouth NP25 5AS Tel. 07981 610206  
All types of Pottery, Porcelain and glass. Consultation service and condition surveys.  
Member of the Institute of Conservation.  
Website: [www.brodgescommunity.org.uk/unit3.html](http://www.brodgescommunity.org.uk/unit3.html)

John R Southall, 184 Bassaleg Road, Newport, South Wales, NP20 3PX. Tel 01633 895317.  
Pottery and porcelain, also lessons in restoration.

### **WARWICKSHIRE**

William Bowden, The Wishbowl of Hope, 68 Falstaff Drive, Woodlands, Rugby, CV22 6LJ.

Tel 01788 812510.

### **WILTSHIRE**

Mrs Gillian Arengo-Jones, 2 The Leaze, Back Street, Ashton Keynes, SN6 6PE.  
Tel 01285 861443. Museum repairs. All types of pottery and porcelain.  
No glass.

### **USA**

Art Recovery Technologies & Fine Arts Conservancy Tel. 001 800 238 7218  
[www.artrecoverytech.com](http://www.artrecoverytech.com) or [info@artrecoverytech.com](mailto:info@artrecoverytech.com)  
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