

VA Studio 330R Bookbinding

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This course is designed to introduce students to a historical overview of eastern and western book forms and to basic bookbinding skills and techniques. Through a series of lectures and demonstrations students learn and develop those skills and techniques by using traditional tools and materials to make a series of historically based book models. Each project will introduce new techniques building on and reinforcing skills previously learned. Class projects include a Coptic link stitch binding, flat back case binding, clamshell box, and paper case binding. Students also learn the oriental stab binding and portfolio construction. At the end of the course each student designs and constructs a creative final book/box project.