

Miles and Miles - Year Ten

Hard to believe that this is Year Ten of Miles and Miles. My studio has certainly witnessed a good number of miles of letters and lots of laughter. I thank my students for letting me be an integral part of the calligraphic journey. Preparing for the Miles has been a wonderful, though sometimes frantic, adventure. It has forced me to read the books in my library, research (and buy) new tools, explore new techniques and keep current with what is new in the calligraphic field. Oh yes, and it also forced me to practice, to keep one small step ahead of you!

So what to do in this significant year. I asked everyone to submit ideas but few came in. I pondered and pondered some more. Liked the idea of a "Best of..." but needed some kind of framework. Hence the unreasonable delay in a Class Description. However, an idea came to me on the weekend at the Yves Leterme Workshop. Lateral thinking.... Calligraphic tour... itinerary.... hmmm..... how to revisit the last ten years.... further hmmm.... whirlwind tour..... hmmm...Yves is from Belgium..... hmmmm..... if it's Tuesday, it must be Belgium. Do you get the drift?

My plan is to revisit each of the 5 Major Scripts that "Milers" have visited over the past decade in somewhat of a whirlwind tour. We will review each script and then look at some new aspect of it.... might be a variation....might try it with a new tool.... There will be a variety of detours and projects as well as a focus on layout and design. Once again, I don't have a fully conceived plan but I think it will be an enjoyable adventure.

Classes will take place on the first Thursday of each month in my home studio. As in the past, if enrollment is high, I will split the class up and offer it on the second Thursday as well.

Mile One: Romans - One is never finished with this eternal/infernal script. - November 2nd

Mile Two: Uncials - a focus on variations - December 7th

Mile Three: Carolingian - January 4th

Mile Four: Gothic - February 1st

Mile Five: Italic - March 1st

- Please note that there are 5 months, in order to travel to the 5 major scripts.
- Each class will be a separate adventure so **you may sign up for individual classes** but first preference will be given to those that sign up for all five. Will muddy the waters a bit, but I think we can make it work.

Cost for all 5 classes: Members: \$225

Non Members: \$250

Cost per individual class: Members: \$55 per class

Non Members: \$65

Please fill out the generic registration form from the website.

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