



The Passionate Pen workshop is an intriguing look into the magical world of English Roundhand. Sometimes called “Anglaise” or “Copperplate”, English Roundhand is the historic name for this graceful and elegant style of handwriting. We will briefly explore the evolution of the script as well as the confusing terminology that is often associated with the hand. We will work on refining the Universal Line of Beauty which defines this graceful hand. Throughout the workshop students will explore the traditional forms of English Roundhand with the freedom of creating their own unique script. The hand was meant to be written rather than slowly drawn. The goal of the workshop is to have the student become more familiar with the rhythm of writing the letterforms and developing a lighter approach to the hand. We will be using exemplars gleaned from English and Spanish writing masters. We will explore the structure and spacing of the lowercase letters and then work up to the elegant capital forms. Standard capitals are explored as well as delicately flourished forms. This workshop will free your hand as you and help you find your own signature style. This class is an intermediate level and assumes a practical knowledge of the pointed pen. Although flourishing is not the focus of this lettering class, this graceful script does lend itself to delicate pen flourished embellishments which can be incorporated into your writing. This class is a delight to explore! Bring a sense of play and imagination to this class.