Using gold leaf and the sgraffito effect



Materials required

Gold is such a mystical creature. Gold makes the world go around. Gold is precious! We are going to use gold in a sgraffito technique that dates back centuries before our common era! Sgraffito is a form of decoration made by scratching through a surface (in this case gold) to reveal a lower layer of paint. Many ancient sgraffito works of art still survive and are protected on plaster walls throughout the world.

If you have a sgraffiti tool as pictured bring it along. They have the point of a tapestry needle. Apart from *the basic materials listed below* I will provide, gold leaf, gold size, the substrate in kit form for \$10 per person.



Sgraffito tool : similar to what you see here. Neither of these has a sharp point.



Also bring the usual basics, ruler, eraser, compass, lead pencils (hb). Water jar with water for quick brush rinsing, note book, rag etc.