



Parliament of Victoria - Legislative Chambers

Specialist Coating Services for Sensitive Maintenance & Restoration Projects

Founded specifically in order to provide a tier-one level of quality and certainty to government, Defence and institutional restoration and upgrade projects with cultural or heritage significance, Ducon Coatings specialises in:

Heritage Upgrades & Restorations

Government & State-Owned Assets

Complex Refurbishments & Upgrade Projects

Live Environments & Maintaining Operations

Asbestos & Lead-Based Paint Remediations

Colour, Texture & Finish Matching

Substrate Preservation & Rectification

Proven Systems & Certifications

As an internal division of Ducon Building Solutions, Ducon Coatings operates under the same exacting policies and procedures that we employ on all of our projects. All works are delivered in accordance with ISO 9001 Quality Management Systems, ISO 45001 OH&S Management Standards and ISO 14001 Environmental Management, and we hold Work Health and Safety Accreditation from the Office of the Federal Safety Commissioner.

We exclusively utilise the highest quality paints and paint products available, all of which are APAS approved, and comply with all relevant environmental requirements and international certification standards including ISO 45001, ISO 14001 and ISO 9001.

In addition to utilising APAS approved paint products, Ducon Coatings holds PCCP certification from the CSIRO, which involves demonstrating our compliance with multiple performance standards, including quality systems, satisfied customers, skilled and experienced personnel and more.

Excellence in Health, Safety & Environmental Management

On all projects we undertake, Ducon Coatings:

- Maintains a safe and clean environment and ensures the safety and health of all workers, site users, neighbours and the surrounding environment
- Fully complies with all local, state and federal legislations relevant to the projects and works we perform
- Provide the highest and uncompromised standards of service while maintaining exacting safety standards and minimising our resource footprint
- Minimises construction waste wherever possible, and will responsibly remove, recycle or dispose of any unavoidable waste in a fully certified, compliant and environmentally sustainable manner.



Key Personnel



Matthew Pauli
Painting Manager

A painting expert in the field of restorations, heritage refurbishments and lead-containing paint removal with more than 20 years of experience, Matthew has served twice as President of Master Painters Victoria and Tasmania, first from 2002 to 2004 and then again from 2018 to 2019. He joined Ducon specifically to lead the new specialist coatings division after previously leading his own heritage-specialist painting company since 1997.



John Vance
Painting Foreman

A fully qualified painter with more than 20 years of experience, John holds a strong understanding of end-to-end painting systems and ability to easily interpret and communicate program plans. His project history includes numerous complex projects with multiple stakeholders where John's strong communication and time management skills achieved an outstanding outcome.



Kurt Pauli
Painting Foreman

A fully qualified painter with more than 30 years experience, Kurt has expert knowledge in Lead Paint and Asbestos Management. Skilled at supervising large teams and ensuring quality standards are met across the entire delivery team, Kurt has a keen eye for detail and a core focus on ensuring best WOL outcomes for client projects such as the old Eltham Courthouse. Kurt is passionate about Alfresco Site Art.



Tim Brooks
Painting Foreman

A fully qualified painter with over 15 years experience in the painting industry, Tim has spent extensive time safely delivering lead paint & asbestos impacted projects including a number of Indigenous housing projects. Multi-disciplined in his painting knowledge, Tim specialises in heritage and restoration projects including recent works for Defence at Victoria Barracks and Fort Queenscliff.

"As painters, we hold an important responsibility when delivering maintenance and restoration works to existing buildings, particularly those with heritage considerations. I was excited to be chosen to lead the recently founded Ducon Coatings team as it is an ideal way to realise my passion for preserving, protecting and enhancing important assets and historic buildings."

- Matthew Pauli, Coatings Manager



The Yarra Room,
Melbourne Town Hall

Case Studies



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Government Heritage Restoration & Preservation Works

It has been our honour to work with the Parliament of Victoria on complex repairs to this landmark historic building over the span of several years. Notably, Ducon is proud to have delivered restoration and preservation works to the historic legislative chambers ceiling which includes highly significant classical decorations as well as gold leaf, columns and statuary. A key challenge of the project was executing the works around the parliamentary calendar and ensuring nil disruption to the government operation.



Victoria Barracks B, C & D Block Works

Defence Refurbishment, Building Upgrade & Heritage Restoration

The suite of maintenance, upgrade and restoration works delivered to the historic Victoria Barracks includes the repainting of blockwork and aging timber assets which required careful and diligent preservation as much of the heritage fabric is more than a century old. To ensure the best possible outcome, our painting team demonstrated our approach in-situ on a representative sample of the scope to ensure a reliable and uniform outcome could be achieved. The updated specification, co-developed with client representative, now serves as a benchmark for heritage refurbishments across Defence's portfolio.



Melbourne Town Hall - The Yarra Room

Government Heritage Restoration & Preservation Works

As one of the most popular venues within the highly regarded Melbourne Town Hall, the window available to complete the works within the Yarra Room was limited to a period of just four weeks. The historic and ornate 12m ceilings required the careful deployment of scaffolding within the building to provide access for the painting team, with care taken at all times to preserve the condition of all areas surrounding the works. Additionally, the project included the restoration of significant areas of gold leaf detailing.



Geelong Defence Base

Complex Defence Refurbishment & Building Upgrade Project

Our approach utilised a new lead-containing paint remediation solution which provided additional value to Defence and improved the outcome of the painting works. Rather than wet-sanding the exposed areas of lead-containing paint, our approach involved a chemical solution deployed beneath a protective, sealing film which improved quality, reduced costs and ensured the safe encapsulation of the lead-containing materials. Due to the improvements in quality and safety offered, this updated specification and process is now considered best practice for lead-based paint removal works on Defence's portfolio.