



## Making replicas of your specimens - a beginner's course

*Do you need to make replicas of your specimens for research purposes?  
Have you considered a fossil casting activity for your outreach programme?  
What about selling replicas in your gift shop?*

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**Wednesday 25th July 2018 (with optional field trip the day after)**

**British Geological Survey, Keyworth, Nottingham**



In this workshop you will learn to safely use modern high performance silicone rubbers to make a re-usable single sided block mould which can be filled with plaster to create perfect copies. There will also be the opportunity to experiment with other moulds to perfect your casting skills.

We've designed this as a one day course so if you want to save on accommodation you can head home on Wednesday evening. The rubber takes a few hours to set, so we will post your completed work back to you, along with some plaster to practice with.

If however you would like to stay around, there will be a pub meal in the evening, and the next day you can return to BGS to collect your work, before we head out to nearby Bradgate Park where we will discuss how BGS used the same techniques to mould rockfaces several metres square in the search for fossils of early complex life on earth.

(Note that due to cost and insurance requirements, you will need to arrange your own transport to the Park)

### GCG Event: Essential information

<b>Event title:</b>	Making replicas of your specimens
<b>Venue:</b>	National Geological Repository, British Geological Survey, Keyworth, Nottingham, NG12 5GG <a href="http://www.bgs.ac.uk/data/NGR/home.html">http://www.bgs.ac.uk/data/NGR/home.html</a>
<b>Led by:</b>	Simon Harris (BGS) and Will Watts (Hidden Horizons)
<b>Date and time:</b>	Wednesday 25th July 2018 (with optional field trip the day after) 10:00 start for refreshments and health and safety talk
<b>Suitable for:</b>	Curators, researchers, educators, volunteers, collectors
<b>Cost:</b>	£45 includes all materials, discount available for GCG members
<b>Booking:</b>	<a href="#">Online booking now open.</a> Alternatively to book by phone please call Zoë Hughes on +44 (0)20 7942 5470 between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. weekdays. Closes 25th June 2018, or when all available places have been filled

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