

Mark J Hopper is a traditional blacksmith and toolsmith based in Atlanta, GA. He began his blacksmithing journey 26 years ago in England, apprenticing in shops across the country and studied at Hereford College of Art and Design. He spent his journeyman years in first Kenya, then France, and finally the United States. He worked with many smiths in Georgia including Corrina Sephora Mensoff and Michael Dillon before opening his own shop in the heart of Downtown Atlanta. Though he spent many years doing architectural work, presently his shops primary focus is its educational program called Goat n Hammer. Goat n Hammer offers 100% hands on education in blacksmithing, bladesmithing, knifegrinding, toolsmithing, lost wax casting, and associated metal working skills.