

REJUVENATION®

REPRODUCTION PROCESS

At Rejuvenation, we are passionate about period lighting and hardware. We bring back beautiful and enduring designs of the last 115 years with exacting attention to quality, authenticity, and value. Here's how we make this happen:

Inspiration

"New" products arise from a mix of research, customer suggestions, and luck. We might start with an old catalogue image, a remarkable original, an Internet discovery or pictures shared by customers.

Engineering

Reviving old fixtures involves head scratching and a process called "reverse engineering" — where we figure out how something was made working backwards from the finished parts. This isn't always easy, especially since some skills originally used to produce lighting and hardware are virtual lost arts today.

Tooling & Sourcing

With exact drawings and specifications, we seek out vendors with the expertise to re-create our detailed parts — sometimes in our own neighborhood, and sometimes far afield. We work closely with talented tool and pattern makers to produce often elaborate and costly moulds, occasionally even locating antique tooling that can be put back into use.

Polishing & Finishing

Rejuvenation's 12 hand-produced brass lighting finishes — meticulously crafted to be both beautiful and period authentic— are what truly sets our products apart. Applied right here in our Portland factory, each requires extensive preparatory steps before antiquing, burnishing, plating, or lacquering. A crucial step, especially for our plated finishes, is polishing, where our craftsmen carefully buff even the most delicate, complicated parts to a mirror surface.

Assembly

Past finally meets present on the assembly table. Our factory floor acquires the look of an artisan's studio as our most skilled craftsmen painstakingly build, wire, and test each fixture by hand, making sure it meets current UL safety standards.

Packaging

Creating something beautiful and well crafted is for naught if it arrives on our customer's doorstep scratched, bent or broken. So we devote the same attention to boxing the fixture (and shades) as we put into building it. Utilizing innovative packaging techniques and environmentally responsible shipping materials, each order is hand-packed to ensure that it reaches its future home ready for a new century of service.