



ROTHKEGEL
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Company History

- 2009** As a result of the founding of the Rothkegel Glas GmbH, which took over operative business operations as of 1.1.2009, the Rothkegel glass studio with its long tradition was offered all-new opportunities for further development. For the first time, one of the partners in the company - the graduate conservator Anne Kaiser with a degree from a University of Applied Sciences - is not a member of the family. This is a decisive contribution to enhancing the powers of innovation and preparing to make the company even more competitive at the highest level in the future.
- 2008** As third in his class at the CCI Würzburg-Schweinfurt, Matthias Rothkegel completes his training programme to become certified as a "Geprüften Technischen Betriebswirt (IHK) / Master Professional of Technical Management (CCI)" and for this receives the Master's Award from the Bavarian state government.
- 2007** With the the graduate conservator Anne Kaiser, Rothkegel is the first commercial glass factory to hire a conservator with a degree from a University of Applied Sciences - to assure and enhance the quality of the conservation.
- 2006** The founding of the company Rothkegel Licht GmbH places the independent development of the light-fixture manufactory with its long-standing tradition on a solid foundation in order to be able to embrace the innovative continuing developments in light-fixtures engineering without straying from the roots of custom solutions and craftsmanship. The divisions "Glass Design" and "Glass Conservation" remain with the company Glaswerkstätte Rothkegel e.K..
- 2005** With Michael Rothkegel's retirement from his active position as of 31.12.2004, the transformation of the Glaswerkstätte & Leuchtenmanufaktur M. Rothkegel OHG to become the Glaswerkstätte & Leuchtenmanufaktur Rothkegel e.K. (with Matthias Rothkegel as the owner) takes place.
As a matter of course, Michael Rothkegel remains available to assist our customers with his extensive expertise and experience.
- 1999** Relocation of the office to new premises in the Heuchelhof district
- 1996** Relocation of the glass factory to the Heuchelhof premises
- 1994** Matthias Rothkegel successfully completes the Master's Exam at the Bundesfachschule des Glaserhandwerks in Hadamar.
- 1989** Matthias Rothkegel is employed as a journeyman at his parents' company and is actively involved in the newly built light-fixtures manufactory at Heuchelhof
- 1986** Beginning of the apprenticeship for Michael Rothkegel's son Matthias (b. 1969) at his parents' company
- 1978** Beginning of serial light-fixtures production and takeover of operations by Michael Rothkegel
- 1976** Construction of windows using the inlay technique - for the Hedwigskathedrale in Berlin, according to designs by Carl Clobes († 1996)
- 1972** Michael Rothkegel becomes a partner in the company
- 1960** Michael Rothkegel attends the master school and begins his work at his parents' company
- 1953** Johannes Rothkegel's son Michael (b. 1938) begins his professional training in Braunschweig



Presentation of the Master's Award granted by the Bavarian state government (presenter: the permanent state secretary Ms. Katja Hessel and CCI president Claus Bolza-Schünemann in March 2009)



Award Certificate - Master's Award granted by the Bavarian state government



Studio director and head conservator at a meeting with the State Office for Monument Preservation, the principal and the architect to plan the conservation concept



Group photo after completion of work on the windows re-designed by Curd Lessig in the side aisle of the cathedral at Lomé (Togo) - with the studio director, construction-site foreman and Michael Rothkegel



- 1947** Move to Würzburg following his release from captivity as a POW and a short stint in Brunswick as a glazier
- 1941-1945** Johannes Rothkegel's deployment in WWII and captivity
- 1934** Johannes Rothkegel establishes his own company in Oppeln
- 1925-1934** After Johannes Rothkegel had worked for one year as a journeyman at his parents' company, he began his years of travel in Dresden, Quedlinburg and Cologne.
- 1919** Beginning of the apprenticeship for Hermann Rothkegel's son Johannes (b. 1905, d. 1994) at his parents' company in Falkenberg, followed by an apprenticeship outside his parents' company (until 1923).
- 1896** Thomas Rothkegel's son Hermann (b. 1869, d. 1945) attends the master school in Breslau.
- 1880** Beginning of operations as a glass factory by Thomas Rothkegel (b. 1840, d. 1911) in Falkenberg (Silesia)



Falkenberg in Upper Silesia; the fourth house from the left was the first company headquarters



Herrmann Rothkegel (b. 1869, d. 1945)



Michael Rothkegel observes the work on the windows of St. Hedwig's Cathedral in Berlin (1978) according to drafts created by Karl Clobes † 1996