400-year old canopy restored to former glory at Bachkovo Monastery



Master goldsmith Milen Vodenicharov restored the oldest canopy in the main church at Bachkovo Monastery of the Dormition of the Theotokos near Asenovgrad.

Together with his team he re-gilded it, cleaned the enamel, restored the missing pieces and replacing them with new ones where necessary. The original canopy is almost 4 centuries old – it was made in 1632 by master craftsmen from Chiprovtsi, and is the oldest preserved canopy in the country. It is made out of silver, copper and bronze with metal gilded ornaments, filigree and coloured enamel.

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