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| **MICHAEL CANTERBURY**: Master Mason | | | **ACTIVE:** London & Canterbury |
| **Flourished** | **Notes** |  | **Key works** |
| 1275 to 1321  *English Decorated* | * Pioneer of English Decorated * Designed and built St. Augustine’s Abbey Gatehouse, Canterbury – prototype design for many gatehouses that followed into the 16th century | *c.* 1275 onwards  *c.* 1292-1308  1291  1292  *c.* 1296  *c*. 1298  1308 | Worked in and near London whilst still active at Canterbury  Canterbury – Choir, chapter house & tomb of Archbishop John Peckham  Queen Eleanor Cross which stood at Cheapside  Started work on St. Stephen’s Chapel, Westminster Palace (key place for start of English Decorated)  Tomb monument – Edmund Crouchback (Earl of Lancaster) at Westminster  Tomb monument – Bishop William of Louth at Ely Cathedral  St. Augustine’s Abbey Gatehouse (licence to crenellate 1308) |

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| **THOMAS WITNEY:** Master Mason | | | **ACTIVE:** Winchester, Exeter & Wells |
| **Flourished** | **Notes** |  | **Key works** |
| 1292 to 1342  *English Decorated* | * May have worked at Malmesbury | c. 1309 to 1327  c. 1313  c. 1316  c. 1324 | Worked at Winchester Cathedral  Bishop’s Throne – Exeter Cathedral  Master Mason Exeter Cathedral  Lady Chapel at Wells (based on stylistic grounds) |

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| **WILLIAM HURLEY:** Master Carpenter | | | **ACTIVE:** Ely & London |
| **Flourished** | **Notes** |  | **Key works** |
| 1319 to 1354 | * Worked on the lantern tower at Ely Cathedral – central boss of Christ in Majesty, carved from single piece of oak * Master Carpenter for the King’s Works (Edward III) | 1334 | Lantern Tower, Ely Cathedral  Other works in his career – dates to be researched:   * St. Stephen’s Chapel, Westminster * Windsor Castle * Palace of Westminster * St. Stephen’s Chapel |

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| **ALAN OF WALSINGHAM:** Architect, Monk, Prior, Bishop-elect, Goldsmith | | | **ACTIVE:** Ely & London |
| **Flourished** | **Notes** |  | **Key works** |
| *c*. 1314 to *c.* 1364  *English Decorated* | * February 1322 the great tower of Ely Cathedral fell down. Alan of Walsingham designed the octagonal lantern town which distributed the weight across 8 piers | 1321  1322 | Lady Chapel at Ely Cathedral  Octagonal lantern town & choir of Ely Cathedral |

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| **WILLIAM RAMSEY:** Master Mason | | | **ACTIVE:** London, Norwich & Gloucester |
| **Flourished** | **Notes** |  | **Key works** |
| 1323 to 1349  *Early Perpendicular* | * Pioneer of English Perpendicular * Possibly died of the Black Death (*d*. 1349) | 1323 to 1349 | Gloucester, Canterbury, Old. St. Pauls, Westminster Abbey  Tombs in Westminster & Canterbury |

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| **THOMAS CANTERBURY:** Master Mason | | | **ACTIVE:** Westminster Palace, London Guildhall, Gloucester |
| **Flourished** | **Notes** |  | **Key works** |
| *1323 to 1335*  *Early Perpendicular* | * May have been the son of Michael   Canterbury   * 2 early works of Perpendicular architecture: remodelling eastern parks of St. Peter’s Abbey (now Gloucester Cathedral) & the south transept of St. Peter’s | 1323 to 1326 & 1332 to 1335  1332  *c.* 1331 – 1337 | Master Mason at St. Stephen’s Chapel, Westminster Palace  Unspecified works at chapel of London Guildhall  Remodelling east end of St. Peter’s Abbey  South transept St. Peter’s Abbey  (possible he died in 1335 and the next phases were taken up by a different mason – namely the choir and presbytery: built *c.* 1337-60) |

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| **WILLIAM JOY:** Master Mason | | | **ACTIVE:** Exeter & Wells |
| **Flourished** | **Notes** |  | **Key works** |
| *1329 to 1348*  *English Decorated* | * Worked with Thomas Witney (d. 1342 * May have worked at Malmesbury & possibly Bristol Cathedral? * Possibly died of Black Death | 1329  1335  1342 | Replaced Thomas Witney as Master Mason at Wells Cathedral – Choir vault & extended the choir and retrochoir. Scissor arches – to prevent central tower collapsing  St. Mary’s Parish Church – rebuilt under patronage of John Grandisson, Bishop of Exeter. Plan is similar to Exeter Cathedral  Replaced Thomas Witney as Master Mason at Exeter Cathedral - |

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| **JOHN CLYVE:** Master Mason | | | **ACTIVE:** Worcester |
| **Flourished** | **Notes** |  | **Key works** |
| *c. 1376/77*  *Early Perpendicular* | * Dates to be researched | *circa* 1376 & 77 | Worcester Cathedral nave, towner and west front |

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| **JOHN LEWYN:** Master Mason – Castles, Roads & Ecclesiastical | | | **ACTIVE:** Durham, North of England (Borderlands) |
| **Flourished** | **Notes** |  | **Key works** |
| *1364 to 1398*  *Military Architecture* | * 1368 Lewyn is described as ‘the bishop’s mason’ at Durham. Bishop Thomas Hatfield (d. 1381) granted him lands. * By 1378 Lewyn may have been the leading military architect in the north – his work is attributed in a number of castles | 1364  1367-74  1368  1378  *c.* 1397  1380  1398 | Coldingham Prior  Durham Cathedral – kitchen serving the monks’ refectory  Repairs at Bamburgh Castle  Repairs at royal castles of Carlisle and Roxburgh  First phase of Bolton Castle, Yorkshire  Contracted by John of Gaunt to build a new mantlet (defensive wall) against the inner face of the 14th C gatehouse at Dunstanburgh Castle  Finchdale Priory |

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| **HENRY YEVELE:** Master Mason | | | **ACTIVE:** Canterbury, Westminster, Durham, London |
| **Flourished** | **Notes** |  | **Key works** |
| *c. 1353 to c. 1400*  *Early Perpendicular* | * Master Mason for Kings Works * Early Perpendicular | 1362  1376  1378  1372-1380  1374-1380  1385  1386  1395  1395  1377-1400 | Nave Westminster Abbey  Tomb of the Black Prince at Canterbury  West Gate, Canterbury  High Altar screen of Durham Cathedral  Tombs of John of Gaunt & Blanche of Lancaster, Choir Old St. Paul’s Cathedral  Canterbury City Walls  Tomb of Edward III at Westminster Abbey  Westminster Hall  Tomb of Richard II at Westminster Abbey  Nave & cloister Canterbury Cathedral |

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| **WILLIAM WYNFORD:** Master Mason | | | **ACTIVE:** Windsor, Wells, Bishop’s Waltham, Oxford, Winchester |
| **Flourished** | **Notes** |  | **Key works** |
| *1360 to 1405*  *Early Perpendicular* | * Patron: Bishop Wykeham (d. 1405) * Early Perpendicular (similar to Yevele) * He worked at Corfe, Southampton & Winchester – royal castles | 1360  1365  1377-1404  1380-1386  *begun* 1387  *begun* 1394  1394-1395 | Working at Windsor Castle for Edward III  Wynford became Master Mason at Wells  Master Mason for Bishop’s Palace, Waltham  New College, Oxford (attribute to Wynford)  Winchester College  Remodelling of nave at Winchester Cathedral  Bishop Wykeham’s Chapel  Remodelling of the aisles of the Great Hall at Winchester Castle |

Diagram of approximate dates when the masons & carpenters of the 14th century flourished

Notes:

* Notice limited activity in the middle of the century – Black Death arrived in England in 1348
* This list is nowhere near complete but reflects the major players that are known to history (i.e. mentioned in records)
* The 14th C is an extraordinary times of architecture innovation particularly with the back drop of the Black Death and 100 years’ war with France
* It is worth considering that these masons & carpenters may have some awareness of other culture’s architecture – e.g. Islamic, Orthodox churches of the East, etc.

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| Michael of Canterbury (1275 to 1321) | | | | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Thomas Witney (1292 to 1342) | | | | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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