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Exploring Colored Pencil



Synopsis

The sumptuous tones of colored pencil are surpassed only by their astounding versatility and simplicity. Filled with inspiring pictures, this lively manual covers methods, materials, blending colors, design techniques, composition, perspective, and drawing animals, humans, the great outdoors, still lifes, and more. "For all levels.... Students will...be rewarded with a rich array of ideas and styles." "Library Journal.

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Customer Reviews

I picked this up after going thru all of B. Borgenson's books and the 'Colored Pencil Solution Book'. For a beginner, it is perfect. There are many graduated actual exercises for different skill levels, instead of merely a picture and a section explaining how it was done (God, I hate when authors do that!). After a couple months of sketching, this book and then the 'Colored Pencil Solution Book' would give you enough to allow you to do just about anything. There wouldn't really be anything else to learn, only time taken to perfect the medium.

Angelo's newest book excels in every way possible: instructive, beautiful, and enjoyable to read. Angelo is an excellent teacher. Example: each section has 3 sets of exercises, one for each level of artist (beginner, intermediate, and advanced). All exercises are open-ended and offer as many opportunities for learning as you are willing to pursue. I also have two of her videos ("Realistic Colored Pencil Textures" and "Drawing Your Loved Ones: Pets") which are excellent as well. I'm ordering her older book (Colored Pencil Basics) today!

I received the book today and I love it. It covers all types of styles & techniques for the various colored pencils varieties. It is a wonderful reference book for both a professional and an amateur artist. This is a must for anyone interested in the colored pencil as an artistic tool.

If you want step-by-step instructions don't buy this book. While the blurb on the back touts "step-by-step demonstrations" they are a very small part of the book and have very few steps. If you are looking for something vague like "inspiration" then this book might interest you. It does have lots of pictures done both by students and professionals in a variety of styles. But if you want help with what kind of pencils to buy don't look here. There is a general discussion of pencil types (hard, soft, etc.) but no concrete examples of which is which. You are just told that price indicates quality. Paper/board selection is also vague. If you already know a lot about colored pencil then you might enjoy this book, but don't expect a lot of help with the basics.

Hands down the best colored pencil book I've seen. I have over ten books on this topic including ones from Bet Borgeson and Janie Gildow and this is the best. In depth information is given on the history of this artform, practical considerations and technique. Throughout the book, inspiring works of art with colored pencil are displayed. This book is sure to enthuse the reader whether they are a beginner or advanced artist.

Exploring Colored Pencil by Sandra McFall Angelo by Sandra McFall Angelo is a thoroughly "user-friendly" instructional guide to creating the most intricate, vivid and realistic visual art with colored pencils. Introducing the reader to experienced techniques with step-by-step demonstrations, methods for creating realistic textures, combining colored pencils with a range of media, exercises for beginner, intermediate, and advanced art students, colorful works illustrating diverse styles and applications, drawings by professionals and students of all ages, and many suggestions that will help the reader develop their own style, Exploring Colored Pencil is an excellent guide for all aspiring art students with a particular preference to colored pencils as their medium of expression.

Exploring Colored Pencil is a unique and beautifully illustrated book. For those who have never been exposed to this medium, you will be amazed at the life-like drawings and incredible detail that can be achieved with colored pencils. Exploring Colored Pencil is truly a work of art and is jam-packed with history, techniques, illustrations and exercises for beginner(me), intermediate and

advanced students. I learned how to blend colors and use different techniques and loved how the book was laid out in an easy to follow format. This book is a keeper.

I purchased this book used on . I'm halfway through reading it and I'm very impressed by the amount and depth of the information in this book. It's a hardback book, which makes it better for me, I just prefer a hardback book. It includes lessons and includes many tips and instruction on how to use you colored pencils. I would absolutely recommend this book for someone who is just starting out in the new "adult color coloring phase". Lots of illustrations and practice tips.

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