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How To Draw Cool Stuff: Shading, Textures And Optical Illusions



Synopsis

“How to Draw Cool Stuff: Basics, Shading, Texture, Pattern and Optical Illusions” is the second book in the How to Draw Cool Stuff series. Inside you will find simple illustrations that cover the necessities of drawing cool stuff. Specific exercises are provided that offer step-by-step guidelines for drawing a variety of subjects. Each lesson starts with an easy-to-draw shape that will become the basic structure of the drawing. From there, each step adds elements to that structure, allowing the artist to build on their creation and make a more detailed image. Starting with the basic forms, the artist is provided a guide to help see objects in terms of simplified shapes. Instructions for shading to add depth, contrast, character and movement to a drawing are then covered. The varieties of texture and pattern that can be included in an artwork offer another layer of interest and depth to a design. These elements are necessary to indicate the way something looks like it feels in a work (texture) or creating the repetition of shapes, lines or colors (patterns). Illustrated optical illusions involve images that are sensed and perceived to be different from what they really are, showing examples of how the mind and the eyes can play tricks on each other. All you need is a piece of paper, a pencil and an eraser and you are ready to draw cool stuff. Once the drawing is complete, it can be colored, shaded or designed in any way you like to make it original. Following these exercises is a great way to practice your craft and begin seeing things in terms of simple shapes within a complex object.

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Customer Reviews

This was actually a cool book to read. The information is detailed enough to get you going even if you have never drawn before. Simple step-by-step instructions that are easy to follow and sample drawings to show how to get there. It is a good book for young or old looking to learn more about drawing.

This is a really cool book. I got it for my 13yr old daughter for Christmas and she spent most of that day learning how to draw some really cool 3D art. I'm guessing the instructions are easy to follow because my 11yr old son who does not draw and has a short attention span and gets frustrated and gives up on drawing easily learned to draw stuff that he was really proud of.

Some people can't automatically draw illusions, not sure if anyone can. Yet I this amazing book shows you all kinds of awesome tricks for illusions & is really helping me really understand how to create them. Thanks for writing this.

Awesome book! The Artist breaks things down so a person can understand how to draw! And there are step by step illustrations so it makes drawing easier! Some of the things I was not crazy about like the kiss the cook but I have to say she is talented! But the rest is great! Love it! I highly recommend this book to any artist that wants to learn to draw!

I love the cool things that I have learned to draw so far and am looking forward to learning more. Thank you and enjoy your day.

I wasn't sure that this book could live up to the first one I read but it does! These are great teaching aids for home, public, or private schools or just for learning on your own!

I bought this for my teen, but I found myself using it just because it does such a great job breaking down shading and perspective. This manual is perfect for those who love drawing, but can't grasp

some of the seemingly complicated techniques required to draw well.

Lot's of cool examples. Wish it would display larger on my laptop though, I have no problems with other books. Just the example pages are a bit to small for my eyes.

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