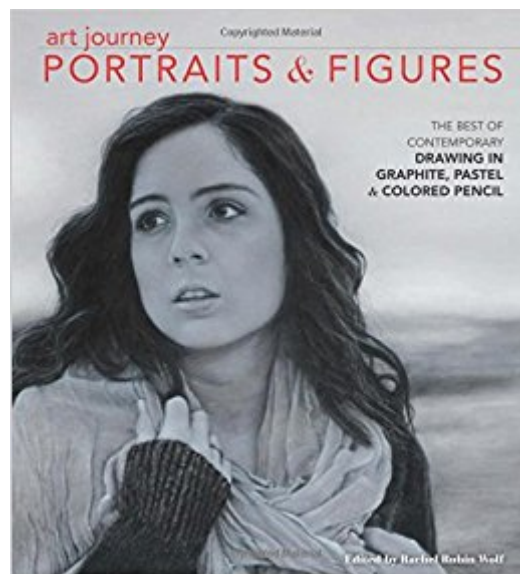


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# Art Journey Portraits And Figures: The Best Of Contemporary Drawing In Graphite, Pastel And Colored Pencil



## Synopsis

Truth. Beauty. Experience. Emotion. The artists included in *Art Journey: Portraits and Figures* say they have discovered all of these things and more through their work. Sometimes it's in the eyes. Or perhaps it's the hint of an expression that seems to beckon one closer, begging to share a secret. Maybe it's the tilt of a chin. Or the posture or stance of one's subject. But in a well executed portrait or figure? Something special, something unique that is invariably revealed--oftentimes about both the subject and the artist. Covering a tantalizing range of styles, the works within illustrate the many ways today's best artists choreograph shape, value, line texture and color into compositions that create drama, tell a story and pull the viewer in. Featuring unusual perspectives, enticing contrasts and other dynamic design elements, *Art Journey: Portraits and Figures* delivers fresh inspiration for artists of every skill level and medium. Art and inspiration from 109 contemporary artists working in charcoal, pencil, pastel, colored pencil, scratchboard, pen and ink, and more 107 masterful works--the best in portraiture and figure work--demonstrating a wonderful diversity of styles. Expert tips and advice and insights into the stories behind art.

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Absolutely gorgeous book with many stunning works from top artists from around the world. Many exceptional drawings in various mediums and styles. If you enjoyed the *Strokes of Genius* series you will love this collection focusing on portraits and figures.

Beautiful book. You could almost write a short story or a novel about each of the characters drawn in this book. The human faces and bodies portray so much character. Like I said, a beautiful book about us humans and our expressiveness.

I particularly love drawings, and this book has a wonderful collection of styles. Some of the artists have amazing techniques for showing texturesâ | One drawing took the artist something like 160 hours to complete! There is a very full range of styles, though, and the book is enjoyable both to peruse and inspire.

Enjoyed very much. This book has one page for the art works and the facing page with comments by the artist, which are often very enlightening.

Offers great insight into artists' favorite practices: choice of subject, medium and composition. Not to mention the delightfully diverse styles represented! Love this book.

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