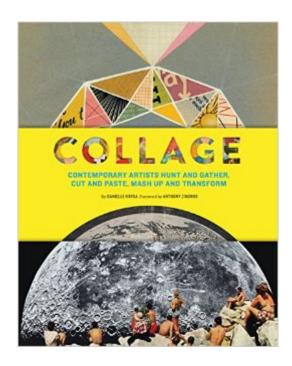
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Collage: Contemporary Artists Hunt And Gather, Cut And Paste, Mash Up And Transform





Synopsis

Collage has enjoyed a resurgence in popularity during the twenty-first century, resulting in an explosion of creativity. This showcase of cutting-edge contemporary art from across the globe features galleries of collage by 30 practitioners, from the surreal landscapes of Beth Hoeckel to Fabien Souche's humorous appropriations of pop culture. Each artist has also created a new piece especially for this bookâ "all using the same original image, but with results as wildly diverse as the medium of collage itself. This collection is visual inspiration for art lovers and an appreciation of the transformation of old into new.

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Collage is authored by Danielle Krysa, the writer at popular art and design website The Jealous Curator. Krysa has also released another book earlier this year called Creative Block which I've also reviewed. Writing two books in a year is very productive. This book features thirty contemporary artists together with a short profile of each and their collage artworks. There's a good diversity of work that are quite fun to look at. It's interesting to see what type of artwork people can come up with by cutting and pasting different photographs collected and mix them into some form of aesthetics using the interplay of shapes, negative space, textures and ideas. Some of the works are very detailed, some amusing, and others capable of raising eyebrows. One artist Maria Aparicio Puentes used sewing threads for her work. Another artist Kathryn MacNaughton likes to use vintage porn magazines as source materials so there's some nudity in this book. In addition to just featuring the artists, there was also a task assigned to each. The artists have to come up with a collage using a photograph of two mustache-clad cowboys where one's playing an accordion. The resulting collage is often unexpected and surprising. It's a great book for those like collages as an art form. I certainly was entertained looking through all the works even though some left me scratching my head. (See more pictures of the book on my blog. Just visit my profile for the link.)

Danielle has such wonderful taste and clearly has a network of people keeping her up to speed about artists all over the globe. I appreciate her keen sensibility, the range of contemporary collage artists she chooses and the write ups about each person. The quality of the photographs and the imagery itself is excellent throughout this gem of a book. Very stimulating and inspiring collection!

I love this book! It is beautiful and oh so inspiring! Great job, Danielle!

Great book and good companion to Creative Unblock.

What a great book! I enjoyed every bit of it.

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