

# Drawing Is Magic: Discovering Yourself In A Sketchbook



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## Synopsis

A sketchbook is an essential tool for the growth of any aspiring artist, but its blank pages can be daunting to even the most motivated. Obsessed with perfection, many wind up treating their sketchbooks more like portfolios than playgrounds. In *Drawing Is Magic*, author John Hendrix teaches aspiring and advanced artists to find their unique visual voices and become creative daredevils. Through his freeing, offbeat exercises, drawers learn a sophisticated philosophy of creative thinking in a way that is totally accessible and fun. Also by John Hendrix: *Miracle Man*

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## Customer Reviews

“Drawing is Magic is like a workbook created by Willy Wonka . . . Hendrix is so entertaining and encouraging in his instructions that budding artists of any age will want to take the book to a nearby corner, pull out a favorite pen and start sketching.” (St. Louis Post-Dispatch)

John Hendrix is an associate professor of art at Washington University in St. Louis. His illustrations have appeared in many publications, including *Sports Illustrated*, *Entertainment Weekly*, *Rolling Stone*, the *New Yorker*, *Esquire*, and the *New York Times*. He is the author of *Abe Lincoln Crosses a Creek* and *John Brown*. He lives in St. Louis, Missouri.

Bought this for my daughter and she absolutely loves it. She carries it around and draws all the time

and it is helping her to be more free with her pen.

Absolutely love this book! I teach art and always trying to find ways for students to loosen up and enjoy their sketchbook. This book is brimming with ideas

this product is great it really makes you open up to the art world and make you want to draw everywhere! i totally recommend this book for you or your child. makes you think creatively. this book is amazing really helps art students. makes you think more in general as well

A fun, imaginative book. Quite encouraging. I recommend it for high school and up. I'm 70 and was delighted!

It's a lovely book, it was a gift for a friend of mine and she is in love with it.

While I still feel a little weary about directly drawing in a job (for me, I prefer to do most of the exercises in my sketchbook or on loose paper), this book is perfect to boost up the creative juices. It's fun and nonthreatening, and the author's artwork is whimsical and quite inspirational. I got a second copy for my fiancÃ© so we could both enjoy this book without hogging it.

I have bought two of these. The first one was a gift for a friend, but I loved it so much I had to get one for myself!!!

Awesome book, it sure will get you inspired. Very easy read and very simple but enticing ways to get you drawing about everything.... with that, creative juices start to flow... and who knows, maybe you'll be the next Michelangelo!! hope you enjoy it as much as I am enjoying it.

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