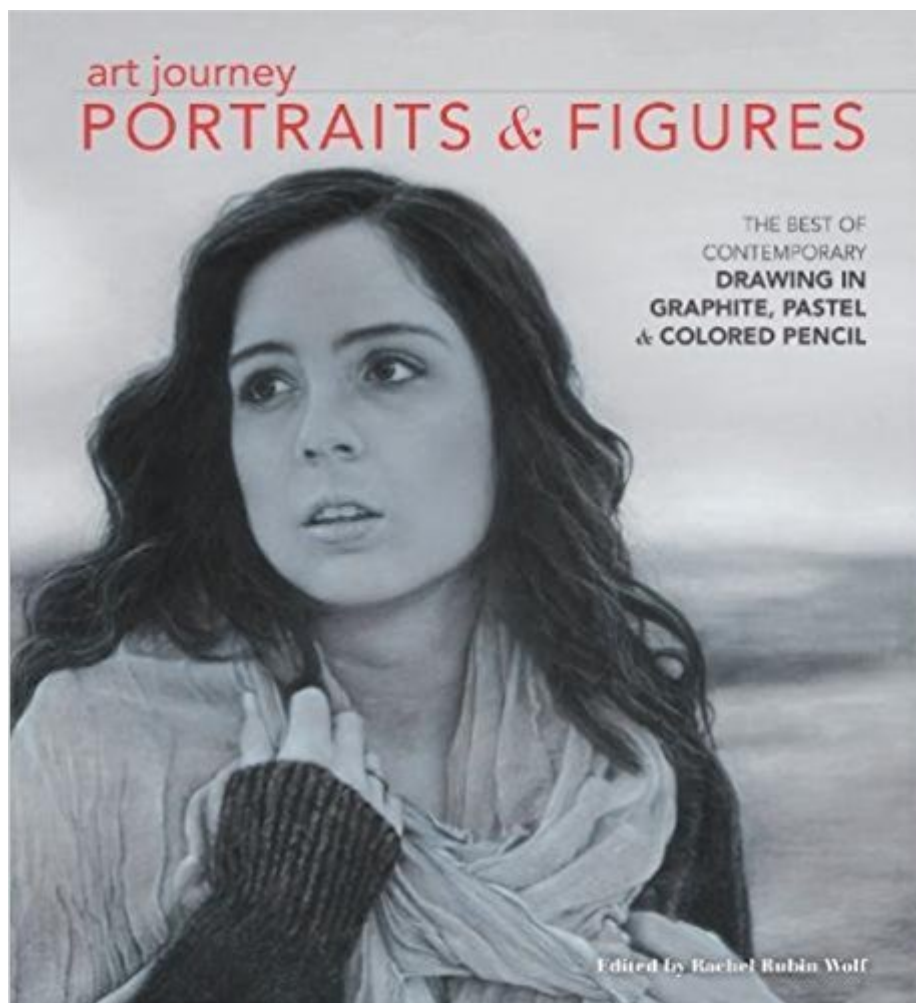




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Art Journey Portraits And Figures: The Best Of Contemporary Drawing In Graphite, Pastel And Colored Pencil



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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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Rachel Rubin Wolf has edited and written many fine art books for North Light Books, including *Watercolor Secrets*; the *Splash: The Best of Watercolor* series; the *Strokes of Genius: Best of Drawing* series, among others. She also has acquired numerous fine art book projects for North Light Books and has contributed to magazines such as *Fine Art Connoisseur* and *Wildlife Art*.

One of my favorite art books, the illustrations are beautiful !

I use this book for inspiration! I really like this book.

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.

Some beautiful images

Incredible is the only word that comes to mind. The book explains what each artist is thinking and doing with his/her portrait. It has become my favorite art book by far.

Beautiful book with lots of images; well produced!

Great product

I particularly love drawings, and this book has a wonderful collection of styles. Some of the artists have amazing techniques for showing textures. 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.

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