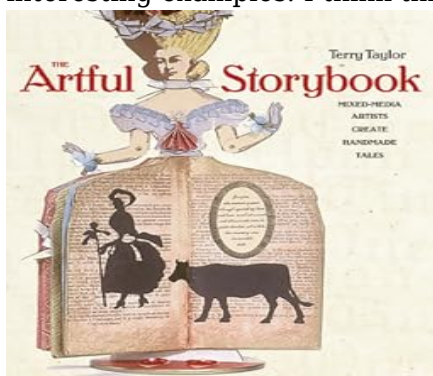


## The Artful Storybook: Mixed-Media Artists Create Handmade Tales By Terry Taylor ,

I love book arts which is what prompted me to order this book and it did not dissappoint: Numerous mixed media artists share their handmade book creations that tell tried and true storybook tales that most of us are familiar with, 128 This book has some great eye candy books to look at like the way to use a book about something and alter it to fit that book, Pretty basic information and techniques that any level can follow: 128 An interesting book that is more of an inspirational collection than a how-to (though there is an explanation of how many books were made): While a couple of the books featured are gallery worthy pieces most looked like fancy scrapbooking or craft projects rather than what I would regard as art books, 128 This book encourages mixed-media artists to create storybooks using well known or self-written tales: A lot of the mixed media stuff I see tells no story but is just an interesting collection of colors and/or objects: There needs to be more of a focus on story - it can be simple well-known merely suggested - but art needs to tell a story. 128 Beautiful inspiring storybook presentations but quite complicated and time consuming for one to create. It would be a treat to see the actual books in person as they're very embellished and works of art: I only left it 4 stars because it gave more of a description on why the artist created the book instead of how the artist created the book. Don't get me wrong they do tell how to make it but the instructions really are not for a beginner: 128 I was really excited about this book when I first heard about it and eagerly awaited its publication, My first few glances through the book left me less excited or eager about the book, Nice work fairly interesting but nothing really reached out and grabbed me. I love altered books mixed media work and story telling so I didn't give up on the book. I looked at it closer and read through it and I am very happy with it now and can see it being a book worthy of remaining on my art books shelf: I think you have to really be interested in altered books/story telling/mixed media to really enjoy this book and find it amazing though. It is not necessarily everyone's cup of tea but if it is the kind of cup of tea you like: 128 Artful Storybook: Mixed-Media Artists Create Handmade Tales by Terry Taylor Nowhere was the complete text of each of the storybooks featured and that seems like a ridiculous omission. Some of them were not really my thing; some of them were so great I can admire but never hope to emulate: 128 this book has a wonderful array of uniquely crafted books made by a diverse group of artists one of them being my friend catherine moore, i really enjoyed reading each artist share the stories behind their respective story books: inspirational for sure! 128 The book didn't live up to my expectations but it does have lots of lovely photos. The author gushes about the contributors there are lots of typos and while there are interesting projects no real directions to create similar pieces: 128 Once upon a time Take a fantasy vacation via a travel booklet fashioned from vintage nostalgic postcards. Follow The Queen of Tarts in a story that unfolds in a miniature puppet theater motif. And two different artists offer their revised versions of a classic: The Princess and the Pea. Beautiful artwork and techniques. Some interesting examples. I think this is a book that is needed. 128



Great artwork throughout book.you will love it. Good visual inspiration overall though. her queen of tarts book made the front cover. I like the concept but not the tone of it. Cannot recommend it except for the photographs. The Artful Storybook: Mixed-Media Artists Create Handmade Tales.