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Street Craft

As the definition of designer expands and architects today create everything from jewelry to urban masterplans, a new wave of objects ranging from furniture to small-scale architectural inventions is transforming our interior spaces. Boosted by digital design and manufacturing possibilities, a rising global group of independent makers is making this crossover of furniture and architecture one of the hottest and most innovative fields of design. Furniture presents some two hundred examples of this new design typology, by renowned architects and designers from around the globe, including Danish studio KiBiSis design for a reconfigurable bookshelf system, Japanese architect Shigeru Ban's moving boxes within rooms, Dutch designers Makkink & Beys' conversational Ear Chairs and French atelier 37.2s' series of self-standing cubes.

Furniture

Big, beautiful, and filled with breathtaking photographs and unique projects, this is one book every bird lover simply must have. It's got everything, from design considerations to construction basics to a jaw-dropping assortment of feeders, baths, and houses to make. Information on the planning stages explains how to choose the right home for a particular bird, discourage unwanted guests, and mount and site the piece. There's advice on feeding habits, too, but the main feature is the incredible projects, which will delight humans as much as our feathered friends. They include a charming Dutch Treat home with a windmill; a Cuckoo Condo; a rustic Bird Cage Feeder made from grapevines; and even a swimming pool complete with diving board.

Elements of Style

In the United States, people of color are disproportionately more likely to live in environments with poor air quality, in close proximity to toxic waste, and in locations more vulnerable to climate change and extreme weather events. In many vulnerable neighborhoods, structural racism and classism prevent residents from having a seat at the table when decisions are made about their community. In an effort to overcome power imbalances and ensure local knowledge informs decision-making, a new approach to community engagement is essential. In *Resilience for All*, Barbara Brown Wilson looks at less conventional, but often more effective methods to make communities more resilient. She takes an in-depth look at what equitable, positive change through community-driven design looks like in four communities—East Biloxi, Mississippi; the Lower East Side of Manhattan; the Denby neighborhood in Detroit, Michigan; and the Cully neighborhood in Portland, Oregon. These vulnerable communities have prevailed in spite of serious urban stressors such as climate change, gentrification, and disinvestment. Wilson looks at how the lessons in the case studies and other examples might more broadly inform future practice. She shows how community-driven design projects in underserved neighborhoods can not only change the built world, but also provide opportunities for residents to build their own capacities.

Guerilla Furniture Design

Build stylish and functional furniture from salvaged materials. This innovative guide presents dozens of strategies for upcycling scrap cardboard, metal, plastic, or wood into dependable shelving units, sturdy tables, and fun lamps. With directions for 35 easy and inexpensive projects that include a Cardboard Cantilever Chair, a License Plate Bowl, a Conduit Coatrack, and much more, you'll be inspired to start filling your home with unique high-style furniture that makes sense for both your wallet and the environment.

Shoji

Keep your home clean, green, and healthy! Learn how to disinfect and freshen your house using powerful all-natural cleaners made by mixing essential oils together with common nontoxic kitchen ingredients like baking soda, lemon, and vinegar. Discover how fruits and herbs can brighten any room with revitalizing scents.

The Guerilla Art Kit

A complete guide to cleaning every room of the house introduces hundreds of quick, efficient, and effective tips and techniques on how to maintain a clean home environment, with practical suggestions for cleaning routines for each area or

room; daily, weekly, and monthly practices; useful equipment and supplies; and much more. Original.

My Green City

The economy may have stalled but life goes on. Chair legs break, pillows lose their puff, painted walls get scuffed and sheets get torn or go out of style. Real Life Decor brims with ideas for repurposing, reusing or replacing your accents and furniture to keep your home fresh and functional as well as wallet-friendly. Comprised of a collection of 100 easy, appealing projects illustrated with lively photos and simple how-tos, the book is divided into 7 sections that offer multiple approaches to dressing up walls, sewing simple soft furnishings, recycling old furniture, brightening lamps and accents, making multipurpose furnishings and storage, and sprucing up floors and ceilings. The photos include inspiring ideas that the reader can interpret and emulate as well as pretty projects they craft to the T. Sidebars with simple solutions on topics such as Displaying Your Collections, Easy Vintage Fabric Ideas, and Small Space Ideas enrich each chapter with additional tips.

Microshelters

Indulge your passion for sewing as you clear your life of clutter. Whatever your experience and wherever the mess, you can sew up a cloth sack or organizer to fit your needs. Gardening tools, groceries, shoes, toys, jewelry, and more will find new homes in these colorful and reusable handmade alternatives to mass-produced products. With Betty Oppenheimer's easy-to-follow instructions for 31 fun and functional projects, you'll be inspired to break out your needles and create a more organized, bright, and eco-friendly home.

Soul of the Home

Basics Interior Design 01: Retail Design approaches the subject of interior design in a retail context. Retail spaces are at the forefront of contemporary interior design because they are updated regularly to stay competitive and appealing. This book examines brand and identity as a starting point for the design concept, and the relationship between the interior and its context, site and setting. It introduces ways of manipulating space and volume, exploring the spatial elements of ceilings, floors and walls, and investigating the notions of layout, circulation and pace. It also pays close attention to the effects of a building on the environment. This is a complete guide to creating retail spaces that entice, excite and enthrall the consumer by creating an experience with which they can relate.

Resilience for All

Tired of the high-pressure life they lead in New York City, Wendy Jehanara Tremayne and her husband migrate to Truth or Consequences, New Mexico, where they build, invent, forage, and grow all they need for themselves. Full of quirky stories and imaginative illustrations, this inspiring memoir chronicles the off-the-grid adventures of the Tremaynes. Touchingly personal while also providing practical tutorials on making your own biofuel, building an efficient house, and gardening sustainably, The Good Life Lab will encourage you to chase your dreams of self-sufficiency.

The Naturally Clean Home

Street Craft is the next chapter in the story of Street Art. Encompassing urban crochet, craftivism, yarnbombing, origami and lace graffiti, guerrilla gardening, street sculpture, light projections, miniature installations and more, this book reveals the surprising, controversial and sometimes simply beautiful creations transforming cities around the world.

Nomadic Furniture

Discusses renewable energy resources and provides instructions for creating energy-saving and energy-producing equipment.

The Homeowner's Energy Handbook

Build your own unique backyard playhouse. In this inspiring guide, Lee Mothes shows you how easy it is to construct the hideout of your kids' dreams. With simple step-by-step instructions and plenty of innovative ideas to engage kids throughout the building process, the whole family can get involved in the fun. You'll love constructing a personalized clubhouse with your kids, and your kids will enjoy playing in it for years to come. Just don't forget the secret password.

DIY Furniture 2

Keep your swimming pool, spa, or hot tub clean and inviting with beautiful sparkling water. Covering all essential maintenance procedures, this easy-to-use guide shows you how to expertly and inexpensively care for your backyard water features. With advice on everything from basic cleaning routines to doing your own repairs, Alan E. Sanderfoot tells you what you need to know about water filtration systems, pumps, motors, heaters, winterizing, and more. Enjoy the pleasures of healthy, crystal-clear water for less money and less trouble! This publication conforms to the EPUB Accessibility specification at WCAG 2.0 Level AA.

Big Book of Bird Houses & Bird Feeders

If you dream of living in a tiny house, or creating a getaway in the backwoods or your backyard, you'll love this gorgeous collection of creative and inspiring ideas for tiny houses, cabins, forts, studios, and other microshelters. Created by a wide array of builders and designers around the United States and beyond, these 59 unique and innovative structures show you the limits of what is possible. Each is displayed in full-color photographs accompanied by commentary by the author. In addition, Diedricksen includes six sets of building plans by leading designers to help you get started on a microshelter of your own. You'll also find guidelines on building with recycled and salvaged materials, plus techniques for making your small space comfortable and easy to inhabit.

Tactical Urbanism

Victor Papanek and James Hennessey set out to change the world in the mid 1970s, empowering the people to create their own inexpensive furnishings. Their books, *Nomadic Furniture 1* and *Nomadic Furniture 2* are reprinted here in their entirety. In their vision of home design, everything is lightweight, folds, inflates, knocks down, stacks, or is disposable. They offer simple instructions for making beds, chairs, sofas, stools, and tables, using inexpensive and recycled materials. Their ideas open up channels for creativity, as well as for saving of money and lightening a household's footprint. This practical, lighthearted approach to living is certainly worth a revisit, in a world where environmental consciousness is quickly evolving.

Real-Life Decor

A Fast, Flexible Approach to Managing Any Project — Right Here, Right Now! To manage effectively in today's complex project environment, you need a framework of project management (PM) competencies, processes, and tools that can be put to use immediately and that flexes and scales to meet the needs of any project. In *Guerrilla Project Management*, Ken Hanley emphasizes key project management competencies, including managing stakeholders effectively, assessing risk accurately, and getting agreement on the objective measures of project success. Focusing on these and other competencies as well as effective PM processes and tools, Hanley presents an alternative approach to project management that is light, fast, and flexible — and adapts readily to the many changes every project manager faces. Offering tips and techniques on topics ranging from communication and reporting practices to risk mitigation, this practical book is organized to allow readers to work through all aspects of a project or quickly find answers to specific problems. This is the go-to guide for today's nimble project manager!

Mid-Century Modern Furniture

You can make the furniture you want at a fraction of the price of store-bought furniture. Not only will you save tons of money, but you'll also make environmentally sustainable pieces that are solidly built, using real materials like metal, wood, concrete, and other recycled ready-mades. The projects in this book don't require special skills, prior experience, or even a garage full of tools. You'll be walked step-by-step through the process of making furniture, from where to buy the materials (or where to scavenge) to how to make the most of the tools you own.

Discursive Design

Guerrilla Girls: The Art of Behaving Badly is the first book to catalog the entire career of the Guerrilla Girls from 1985 to present. The Guerrilla girls are a collective of political feminist artists who expose discrimination and corruption in art, film, politics, and pop culture all around the world. This book explores all their provocative street campaigns, unforgettable media appearances, and large-scale exhibitions. • Captions by the Guerrilla Girls themselves contextualize the visuals. • Explores their well-researched, intersectional takedown of the patriarchy In 1985, a group of masked feminist avengers—known as the Guerrilla Girls—papered downtown Manhattan with posters calling out the Museum of Modern Art for its lack of representation of female artists. They quickly became a global phenomenon, and the fearless activists have produced hundreds of posters, stickers, and billboards ever since. • More than a monograph, this book is a call to arms. • This career-spanning volume is published to coincide with their 35th anniversary. • Perfect for artists, art lovers, feminists, fans of the Guerrilla Girls, students, and activists • You'll love this book if you love books like Wall and Piece by Banksy, Why We March: Signs of Protest and Hope by Artisan, and Graffiti Women: Street Art from Five Continents by Nicholas Ganz

Modern Earth Buildings

Get rid of clutter and live a more meaningful life. From taking control of an overflowing closet to creating clear and achievable life goals, Mary Carlomagno shows you how to strip away the nonessentials and make room for serenity, change, creativity, and even enlightenment. Offering a practical week-at-a-time approach, Carlomagno helps you shed not only the unnecessary things that are cluttering up your day, but also the habits and mindsets that keep you from reaching your fullest potential.

Cleaning

Furniture Makeovers shows how to transform tired furniture into stunning showpieces. You'll never look at a hand-me-down

dresser the same way again! The book offers 26 easy-to-follow techniques that can be applied to all different types of pieces, from bookshelves to desks: painting, applying gold leaf, wallpapering, distressing, dip dyeing, and more. In addition to the core techniques, author and Knack Studios founder Barb Blair shares 30 beautiful before-and-after makeovers from her studio and outlines how to achieve each look. With helpful step-by-step photographs, a visual glossary explaining all the tools and materials needed, and a lovely contemporary aesthetic, Furniture Makeovers is a treasure trove of ideas and instruction for the home decorator.

Architect and Developer

Featuring 30 new designs by leading designer-makers from around the world, DIY Furniture 2 builds on the international success of the previous title, showing you step-by-step how to make unique designer furniture. Including both conceptual objects and modern designs, the book showcases innovative processes using readily available materials commonly found at the local hardware store. Each project features diagrams with short, easy-to-follow instructions on how to build the piece. The projects range from novice to experienced, allowing the reader to start where they are comfortable and work towards more difficult projects as they gain knowledge, familiarity with tools, and confidence. The designs in this book will have you thinking about common materials in a whole new way!

HomeMade Modern

Design, DIY, and computer-controlled fabrication are a powerful combination for making high-quality customized things. Written by the founders of the architecture, design, and research firm Filson and Rohrbacher, this book takes you through the basics of CNC fabrication, the design process, production, and construction of your own furniture designs. Through their AtFAB series of projects, accompanied by an overview of digital techniques and design thinking, this book introduces the knowledge and skills that you'll find widely applicable across all kinds of CNC projects. Not only will you learn how to design, fabricate, and assemble a wide range of projects, you'll have some great furniture to show for it! While 3D printing has been grabbing headlines, high school, college, library, and other public makerspaces have been making things with CNC machines. With a CNC router, you can cut parts from strong, tactile, durable materials like wood. Once you have your design and material, you can set up your job and let it run. When it's done, you can put the project together for an heirloom of your own. While 3D printing can make exciting things with complex designs, CNCs are the digital workhorses that produce large-scale, long-lasting objects.

Keep Out!

48 Techniques to Boost Your Creativity at Home, According to Science A great deal of psychological and productivity research has gone into discovering how the design of the physical environment can improve creative performance, yet nearly all of it has focused on the workplace, commercial spaces, and schools. What has been largely overlooked is the one place we spend more time in than anywhere else and where more people than ever are now working: the home. My Creative Space shows how readers can boost their creative output by applying science-backed techniques to the design and decoration of their home regardless of size, type, style, or location. With over 200 stunning color photographs of creative spaces, including many designed by top architects and interior decorators, this lavishly produced book will inspire readers while offering practical and specific ways to transform your own home into a creative haven. Readers will: Learn practical techniques to shape a home for peak idea generation Acquire insights into how everyday activities at home can boost creative performance at work, play, and school Discover hands-on household products designed to foster creative skills Gain a new understanding of the meaning and psychology of creativity Read about the best lighting to foster a creative environment, how to use walls to capture ideas, why round shapes spur greater creativity than straight lines, the benefits of incorporating nature into your surroundings, and more. Whether you're an artist, design professional, writer, entrepreneur, work in a creative industry, or pursue a personal passion for pleasure, this book is an invaluable guide for turning living space into creative space.

Guerrilla Girls: The Art of Behaving Badly

My Green City is an inspirational compilation that celebrates the projects and ideas of designers, activists, and architects, who are bringing nature back into our cities. The book presents stimulating work from around the world : from urban farming initiatives, guerilla gardening, and architectural visions, to furniture, products, and other everyday objects that use plants in a functional or aesthetic way. Some of the included projects are changing the land-scapes of our cities as a whole, while others can make our own streets and homes greener-most importantly, all are trying to get people to think differently. My Green City is an entertaining and socially relevant compilation for everyone who has an interest in a more responsible and environmentally friendly lifestyle. The book's visual examples and insightful descriptions make it clear that we can design our urban future in a way that's green, innovative, vibrant, and constructive.

My Creative Space

The traditional role of the architect is far too passive and uncertain. The profession has positioned itself to sit by the phone until we are called upon and commissioned to do work. Architects have long been charged with creating a better-built environment, but it is the developers who dictate what is actually built in our cities. The decisions made by developers before architects are engaged in a project dictate later success. When all of the initial programming, market studies, and

cost estimates are based on market averages, it is unsurprising when the final products in our cities are nothing more than average. In the end, architects have devalued their role to the pencil of the developer's vision. By combining Architect & Developer, you can command a greater sense of control, faster decision making, an efficient process, and the potential for a much better profit. The largest hurdle to becoming an architect as developer is that first project. An entrepreneurial mindset and willingness to take risk is required. What developers do is not difficult, you need only have an appetite for risk. I sat down with over a dozen separate architects who are self-initiating their work. Some were doing this as a side hustle while holding down a nine-to-five job, some were small studios that were dipping their toes into the development game, and some were full-blown Architects & Developers. I wanted to absorb what they have learned throughout the process and consolidate the information into a digestible format. Architect & Developer includes one-on-one interviews from: DDG Mike Benkert, AIA WC Studio Barrett Design Guerrilla Development The UP Studio OJT Alloy, LLC Find more information at architectanddeveloper.com

Basics Interior Design 01: Retail Design

STYLISH DESIGNS FOR URBAN CHIC PROJECTS USING THE WORLD'S MOST INDISPENSABLE BUILDING MATERIAL—INDUSTRIAL PIPES Want to add an urban chic twist to your home decor? Just head down to your local hardware store for some pipe, then do the fun projects in this book. Packed with easy-to-follow tutorials and 400 step-by-step color photos, this helpful DIY guide teaches you how to transform plumbing fixtures into all types of cool household furnishings, including: FURNITURE •Wall-Mounted Bookshelves •Rolling Side Table DECOR •Decorative Door Handles •Tabletop Book Holder LIGHTING •Industrial Candelabra •Steampunk Floor Lamp STORAGE •Jewelry Stand •Garden Tool Rack Author James Angus explains everything you need to know, from choosing the fittings and using the right tools to mastering the art of assembly and adding designer touches for a finished look.

The Chair

Minimalist design--maximum style! In the middle of the last century, a new generation of designers sought to render furniture to its most essential forms. In doing so, they created timeless designs that defined Mid-Century Modern Style. From the sleek geometric lines of Bauhaus-inspired design to the sculptural shapes of Danish masters, this furniture captured the imagination of the era and enjoys growing popularity today. Now for the first time, author Michael Crow has carefully detailed 29 seminal works by the era's foremost designers, including Hans Wenger, Finn Juhl and George Nelson. At their best, these spare, often sculptural designs transcend their period and are at home in a variety of settings. Each piece has been selected carefully so it can be built in an average workshop. Inside this book you'll find: • More than 100 drawings with exploded views, elevations and details for projects to fit every room in your house. • Practical advice on wood

selection, hardware sources and construction and finishing techniques. • Two step-by-step project builds. • A richly illustrated historical overview tracing the evolution of the style and exploring the designers and makers who shaped it.

The Furniture Bible

Furniture Design is a comprehensive guide and resource for students and furniture designers. As well as discussing pioneering contemporary and historical designs, it also provides substantive answers to designers' questions about function, materials, manufacture and sustainability, integrating guidance on all of these subjects – particularly material and manufacturing properties – in one accessible and structured volume. Many leading contemporary furniture designers from around the world are included, with case studies carefully selected to highlight the importance of both material and manufacture-led design processes. The book is also intended to provide an insight into furniture design for those considering a college education in product and industrial design.

Live More, Want Less

From the rising-star designer and author of the hit blog, Elements of Style, a full-color, fully illustrated book packed with honest advice, inspiration, ideas, and lessons learned about designing a home that reflects your personality and style. Elements of Style is a uniquely personal and practical decorating guide that shows how designing a home can be an outlet of personal expression and an exercise in self-discovery. Drawing on her ten years of experience in the interior design industry, Erin combines honest design advice and gorgeous professional photographs and illustrations with personal essays about the lessons she has learned while designing her own home and her own life—the first being: none of our homes or lives is perfect. Like a funny best friend, she reveals the disasters she confronted in her own kitchen renovation, her struggles with anorexia, her epic fight with her husband over a Lucite table, and her secrets for starting a successful blog. Organized by rooms in the house, Elements of Style invites readers into Erin's own home as well as homes she has designed for clients. Fresh, modern, and colorful, it is brimming glamour and style as well as advice on practical matters from choosing kitchen counter materials to dressing a bed with pillows, picking a sofa, and decorating a nursery without cartoon characters. You'll also find a charming foreword by Erin's husband, Andrew, and an extensive Resource and Shopping Guide that provides an indispensable roadmap for anyone embarking on their first serious home decorating adventure. With Erin's help, you can finally make your house your home.

The Great Book of Cardboard Furniture

The construction of earth buildings has been taking place worldwide for centuries. With the improved energy efficiency,

high level of structural integrity and aesthetically pleasing finishes achieved in modern earth construction, it is now one of the leading choices for sustainable, low-energy building. Modern earth buildings provides an essential exploration of the materials and techniques key to the design, development and construction of such buildings. Beginning with an overview of modern earth building, part one provides an introduction to design and construction issues including insulation, occupant comfort and building codes. Part two goes on to investigate materials for earth buildings, before building technologies are explored in part three including construction techniques for earth buildings. Modern earth structural engineering is the focus of part four, including the creation of earth masonry structures, use of structural steel elements and design of natural disaster-resistant earth buildings. Finally, part five of Modern earth buildings explores the application of modern earth construction through international case studies. With its distinguished editors and international team of expert contributors, Modern earth buildings is a key reference work for all low-impact building engineers, architects and designers, along with academics in this field. Provides an essential exploration of the materials and techniques key to the design, development and construction of modern earth buildings Comprehensively discusses design and construction issues, materials for earth buildings, construction techniques and modern earth structural engineering, among other topics Examines the application of modern earth construction through international case studies

Design for CNC

Japanese-style shoji screens are translucent, wooden-lattice panels that subtly transform light and space and add an elegant touch to any decor. This book contains all the information you need to design and make shoji for your own home or apartment. Features * Notes on aesthetics and design fundamentals * Complete how-to guide covering basic construction methods, screen materials, and wood selection * Home projects, including window inserts, sliding and hanging screens, glass panel shoji, double- and single-sided shoji, skylight shoji, decorative wall boxes, and floor and table lanterns * Introduction to Japanese hand tools and planing and joinery techniques * Sample lattice patterns, photographs, and line drawings for design and remodeling ideas * List of suppliers

Furniture Makeovers

Past meets present in this stylish guide to decorating modern homes with heirlooms and antiques Designer and antiques dealer Tara Shaw is a respected supplier of French and European antiques for a host of AD100 and Elle Decor A-listers, including Bobby McAlpine, Mary McDonald, and Bunny Williams. In her first book, she helps readers understand how to select the best antiques and how to use them in a variety of decor schemes. The book presents never-before-published spaces from Shaw's portfolio and reveals her favorite antique-hunting spots throughout Europe. Anecdotes from years of treasure hunting are accompanied by images of rare and precious finds, with text that decodes just how to choose the right

pieces and display them in a contemporary interior. Readers will be able to look at each space and take away ideas they can apply to their own homes, to create personalized rooms full of provenance and beauty.

DIY Industrial Pipe Furniture and Decor

Christophe Pourny learned the art of furniture restoration in his father's atelier in the South of France. In this, his first book, he teaches readers everything they need to know about the provenance and history of furniture, as well as how to restore, update, and care for their furniture—from antiques to midcentury pieces, family heirlooms or funky flea-market finds. The heart of the book is an overview of Pourny's favorite techniques—ceruse, vernis anglais, and water gilding, among many others—with full-color step-by-step photographs to ensure that readers can easily replicate each refinishing technique at home. Pourny brings these techniques to life with a chapter devoted to real-world refinishing projects, from a veneered table to an ebonized desk, a gilt frame to a painted northern European hutch. Rounding out this comprehensive guide is care and maintenance information, including how to properly clean leather, polish hardware, fix a broken leg, and replace felt pads, as well as recipes to make your own wax, shellac, varnish, stain, and more.

Guerrilla Project Management

Exploring how design can be used for good—prompting self-reflection, igniting the imagination, and affecting positive social change. Good design provides solutions to problems. It improves our buildings, medical equipment, clothing, and kitchen utensils, among other objects. But what if design could also improve societal problems by prompting positive ideological change? In this book, Bruce and Stephanie Tharp survey recent critical design practices and propose a new, more inclusive field of socially minded practice: discursive design. While many consider good design to be unobtrusive, intuitive, invisible, and undemanding intellectually, discursive design instead targets the intellect, prompting self-reflection and igniting the imagination. Discursive design (derived from “discourse”) expands the boundaries of how we can use design—how objects are, in effect, good(s) for thinking. Discursive Design invites us to see objects in a new light, to understand more than their basic form and utility. Beyond the different foci of critical design, speculative design, design fiction, interrogative design, and adversarial design, Bruce and Stephanie Tharp establish a more comprehensive, unifying vision as well as innovative methods. They not only offer social criticism but also explore how objects can, for example, be used by counselors in therapy sessions, by town councils to facilitate a pre-vote discussions, by activists seeking engagement, and by institutions and industry to better understand the values, beliefs, and attitudes of those whom they serve. Discursive design sparks new ways of thinking, and it is only through new thinking that our sociocultural futures can change.

Plydesign

Seventy-three projects using plywood and similar materials to create tables, boxes, shelves, and other functional objects.

Sew & Stow

Begins with an in-depth history of the Tactical Urbanism movement and its place among other social, political, and urban planning trends. With a detailed set of case studies that demonstrate the breadth and scalability of tactical urbanism interventions, this book provides a detailed toolkit for conceiving, planning, and carrying out projects.

Furniture Design

Describes how the development of chairs has had more to do with status than comfort or practicality, and argues for the use of a wider variety of postures and more body-conscious seating.

The Good Life Lab

Strong, durable, economical, easy to work with, and lightweight, cardboard boxes have all the qualities needed to create functional, and environmentally friendly, furniture for your home and/or office. Packed with 320+ color images and patterns, this guide provides detailed step-by-step techniques for building nine furniture designs, including chic chairs, a giraffe-shaped chest of drawers for a child's room, and an ultra-modern coffee table. Everything from lists of materials and tools to laying out, assembling, and finishing the furniture with a variety of paints and materials is included here. And after acquiring the basic techniques, use the gallery section to develop your own furniture designs. This is an ideal home decor how-to book for anyone looking to repurpose cardboard and easily build functional and stylish furniture."

What Color Is Your Swimming Pool?

We are living in a golden age of self-expression. The explosion of user-created content on blogs and social networking sites moved Time magazine to name "You" their 2006 person of the year. But while we may be spending a lot more time in virtual worlds, we have not lost the urge to make our physical world more meaningful. By leaving art and ideas in public places, you can affect someone's daychange their mood or their mindand maybe even change the world in the process! The Guerilla Art Kit shows how small artistic acts can start a revolution. Keri Smith, noted author of Living Out Loud and the blog Wish Jar Journal, uses her unique drawing and handwriting style to help anyone find and release their inner artist or activist. This visually exciting activity bookfull of step-by-step exercises, cut-out projects, sticker ideas, and morehas both fun assignments and handy tips to help you unleash your creative energy into the streets, where you can really make an

impact. From the quick exercises leaving books for strangers to find, chalking quotes on the sidewalk to the more involved making a "wish tree," guerilla gardening, or making your own stencils The Guerilla Art Kit contains everything you need to put your message out into the world.

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