

The Graphic Designers Digital Toolkit A Project Based Introduction To Adobe Photoshop Cs5 Illustrator Cs5 Indesign Cs5

"100 of the most creative designers to have emerged on the international scene over the past five years, chosen by 10 of the most respected figures in the field"--Publisher.

Graphic Design School allows students to develop core competencies while understanding how these fundamentals translate into new and evolving media. With examples from magazines, websites, books, and mobile devices, the Fifth Edition provides an overview of the visual communications profession, with a new focus on the intersection of design specialties. A brand-new section on web and interactivity covers topics such as web tools, coding requirements, information architecture, web design and layout, mobile device composition, app design, CMS, designing for social media, and SEO.

A lot has happened in the world of digital design since the first edition of this title was published, but one thing remains true: There is an ever-growing number of people attempting to design everything from newsletters to advertisements with no formal training. This book is the one place they can turn to find quick, non-intimidating, excellent design help from trusted design instructor Robin Williams. This revised and expanded classic includes a new chapter on designing with type, more quizzes and exercises, updated projects, and new visual and typographic examples that give the book a fresh, modern look. In *The Non-Designer's Design Book, 4th Edition*, Robin turns her attention to the basic principles that govern good design. Perfect for beginners, Robin boils great design into four easy-to-master principles: contrast, repetition, alignment, and proximity (C.R.A.P.!). Readers who follow her clearly explained concepts will produce more sophisticated and professional work immediately. Humor-infused, jargon-free prose interspersed with design exercises, quizzes, and illustrations make learning a snap—which is just what audiences have come to expect from this bestselling author.

The HCD Toolkit was designed specifically for NGOs and social enterprises that work with impoverished communities in Africa, Asia, and Latin America.

From the lost art of show-card writing and the tumultuous days of guerrilla magazine publishing to the latest in electronic leaflet design and hot magazine covers, acclaimed graphic designer and author Steven Heller provides dozens of stunning examples of how graphic design has transformed from a subset of pop culture to a cultural driving force on its own.

What is inclusive design? It is simple. It means that your product has been created with the intention of being accessible to as many different users as possible. For a long time, the concept of accessibility has been limited in terms of only defining physical spaces. However, change is afoot: personal technology

now plays a part in the everyday lives of most of us, and thus it is a responsibility for designers of apps, web pages, and more public-facing tech products to make them accessible to all. Our digital era brings progressive ideas and paradigm shifts – but they are only truly progressive if everybody can participate. In *Inclusive Design for a Digital World*, multiple crucial aspects of technological accessibility are confronted, followed by step-by-step solutions from User Experience Design professor and author Regine Gilbert. Think about every potential user who could be using your product. Could they be visually impaired? Have limited motor skills? Be deaf or hard of hearing? This book addresses a plethora of web accessibility issues that people with disabilities face. Your app might be blocking out an entire sector of the population without you ever intending or realizing it. For example, is your instructional text full of animated words and Emoji icons? This makes it difficult for a user with vision impairment to use an assistive reading device, such as a speech synthesizer, along with your app correctly. In *Inclusive Design for a Digital World*, Gilbert covers the Web Content Accessibility Guidelines (WCAG) 2.1 requirements, emerging technologies such as VR and AR, best practices for web development, and more. As a creator in the modern digital era, your aim should be to make products that are inclusive of all people. Technology has, overall, increased connection and information equality around the world. To continue its impact, access and usability of such technology must be made a priority, and there is no better place to get started than *Inclusive Design for a Digital World*.

What You'll Learn

- The moral, ethical, and high level legal reasons for accessible design
- Tools and best practices for user research and web developers
- The different types of designs for disabilities on various platforms
- Familiarize yourself with web compliance guidelines
- Test products and usability best practices
- Understand past innovations and future opportunities for continued improvement

Who This Book Is For

Practitioners of product design, product development, content, and design can benefit from this book.

THE GRAPHIC DESIGNER'S DIGITAL TOOLKIT, 6th Edition not only introduces readers to the essential features of industry-standard software applications, but also gives them an understanding of how to integrate these programs into a seamless whole. Using a highly visual and project-based approach, this fully revised new edition examines Macintosh OS X Lion and Windows 7 operating systems, as well the “Big 3” digital design programs used in the graphics industry today: Adobe Illustrator CS6, Adobe Photoshop CS6, and Adobe InDesign CS6. After thoroughly examining the features of each application from the designer's perspective, the author then reveals in practical detail the traditional skills and technology necessary for effective design for print and Web media. Using online project files, readers are encouraged to practice what they have learned by tackling design projects throughout the text from concept to completion. Effectively merging theory with practice, **THE GRAPHIC DESIGNER'S DIGITAL TOOLKIT**, 6th Edition stresses the critical importance of

integration in design while meeting design parameters and client expectations. For access to the online project files please refer to the directions in the preface of the book. Important Notice: Media content referenced within the product description or the product text may not be available in the ebook version. Editorial Design: Digital and Print is a comprehensive guide to the traditional and digital skills that a designer will need for a future career in visual journalism today – the design of magazines and newspapers for a wide variety of markets. Generously illustrated, including case studies, practical exercises and tips, examples of best practice and profiles of individual designers including Mark Porter, Scott Dadich and Janet Froelich, the book explains the fundamentals of editorial design and layout. Subjects covered include current and emerging digital formats, branding, how to create layouts, handling copy and images, design, and production skills and trends in editorial design. With insider advice and opinions from leading contemporary designers, the book is a practical reference and learning resource that will teach readers everything they need to know to reach the top of the profession.

From three design partners at Google Ventures, a unique five-day process--called the sprint--for solving tough problems using design, prototyping, and testing ideas with customers. Being a successful graphic designer today requires more than knowing the essential features of industry-standard software applications. It also requires an understanding of how to integrate these programs into a seamless whole while producing work that conforms to design principles and client expectations. This fully revised edition of The Graphic Designer's Digital Toolkit, 3rd Edition provides a full-color, comprehensive overview of Macintosh OS X and Windows Vista operating systems, design fundamentals, and the Big 3 digital design programs used in the graphics industry today: Adobe Illustrator CS3, Adobe Photoshop CS3, and Adobe InDesign CS3. The book examines the essential features of each, then reveals in practical detail the skills and technology necessary for effective design for print and Web Media. This project-based book features a highly visual introduction to the essential tools and functions of each application from the perspective of the working designer. Readers are then given the opportunity to put what they learn to work by tackling design projects from concept to completion with assignments drawn from the everyday world of professional graphic designers. Important Notice: Media content referenced within the product description or the product text may not be available in the ebook version.

Creating a brand identity is a fascinating and complex challenge for the graphic designer. It requires practical design skills and creative drive as well as an understanding of marketing and consumer behaviour. This practical handbook is a comprehensive introduction to this multifaceted process. Exercises and examples highlight the key activities undertaken by designers to create a successful brand identity, including defining the audience, analyzing competitors, creating mood boards, naming brands, designing logos, presenting to clients, rebranding and launching the new identity. Case studies throughout the book are illustrated with brand identities from around the world, including a diverse range of industries – digital media, fashion, advertising, product design, packaging, retail and more.

"A guide to the seven leading software programs in graphic design, presenting the essential basics that students and professionals need on a day-to-day basis to use Photoshop, Illustrator, InDesign, QuarkXPress, Dreamweaver, Flash, and Acrobat, including: seven chapters that focus on a separate program and familiarize the user with the screen, menus, windows, tools, navigation system, and basic procedures specific to each piece of software;

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overviews of all the software applications and descriptions of how they interact with one another, and features a full glossary of terms; information on such wider aspects of digital technology as color management and printing processes; and instructions in both Mac and PC formats." - product description.

Computer technology has completely revolutionized the work of graphic designers, printers, and print production professionals. To keep pace with these far-reaching changes, *Production for Graphic Designers* is set firmly in the digital age. This revised fourth edition embraces all the new and emerging technologies in graphics and print production, comprehensively explaining the prepress and printing processes from traditional letterpress to the latest on-press CtP (computer-to-plate) digital offset and on-demand colour printing. It also covers new workflows and spells out the many acronyms encountered by today's designers. As well as covering print, it provides an authoritative guide to working in digital media, particularly the internet. There are also additional feature spreads on key graphic designers Bruce Mau, Paul Rand, Chris Ware and Pentagram.

The inspirational bestseller that ignited a movement and asked us to find our WHY Discover the book that is captivating millions on TikTok and that served as the basis for one of the most popular TED Talks of all time—with more than 56 million views and counting. Over a decade ago, Simon Sinek started a movement that inspired millions to demand purpose at work, to ask what was the WHY of their organization. Since then, millions have been touched by the power of his ideas, and these ideas remain as relevant and timely as ever. *START WITH WHY* asks (and answers) the questions: why are some people and organizations more innovative, more influential, and more profitable than others? Why do some command greater loyalty from customers and employees alike? Even among the successful, why are so few able to repeat their success over and over? People like Martin Luther King Jr., Steve Jobs, and the Wright Brothers had little in common, but they all started with WHY. They realized that people won't truly buy into a product, service, movement, or idea until they understand the WHY behind it. *START WITH WHY* shows that the leaders who have had the greatest influence in the world all think, act and communicate the same way—and it's the opposite of what everyone else does. Sinek calls this powerful idea The Golden Circle, and it provides a framework upon which organizations can be built, movements can be led, and people can be inspired. And it all starts with WHY.

Being a successful graphic designer today requires more than knowing the essential features of industry-standard software applications. It also requires an understanding of how to integrate these programs into a seamless whole while producing work that conforms to design principles and client expectations. This fully revised fifth edition of *THE GRAPHIC DESIGNER'S DIGITAL TOOLKIT* provides comprehensive overview of Macintosh OS X Leopard and Windows 7 operating systems, design fundamentals, and the Big 3 digital design programs used in the graphics industry today: Adobe Illustrator CS5, Adobe Photoshop CS5, and Adobe InDesign CS5. The book examines the essential features of each, then reveals in practical detail the traditional skills and technology necessary for effective design for print and Web Media. This project-based book features a highly visual introduction to the essential tools and functions of each application from the perspective of the working designer. Readers are then given the hands on opportunity to put what they learn to work by tackling design projects from concept to completion with assignments drawn from the everyday world of professional graphic designers. All files needed for projects and tutorials are found on the accompanying text CD. Important Notice: Media content referenced within the product description or the product text may not be available in the ebook version.

Creatives are taught the rules of design by mentors and professors. We are told what to do and how to do it. "Follow the rules and color within the lines," they say. "Only use two fonts on a page and don't make your logo too complicated," they say. It's time for us to tell them to

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shove it. Creative Anarchy explains and explores both rule-following and rule-breaking design. It includes tips to throw design caution to the wind, designers' stories with galleries of work, and creative exercises to help push your designs to the next level. Creative Anarchy is about great design and awesome ideas. You'll find sections specifically devoted to designing logos, posters, websites, publications, advertising and more.

In this essential guide, Meghan Casey outlines a step-by-step approach for doing content strategy, from planning and creating your content to delivering and managing it. Armed with this book, you can confidently tackle difficult activities like telling your boss or client what's wrong with their content, getting the budget to do content work, and aligning stakeholders on a common vision. Reading The Content Strategy Toolkit is like having your own personal consulting firm on retainer with a complete array of tools and tips for every challenge you'll face. In this practical and relevant guide, you'll learn how to: Identify problems with your content and persuade your bosses it's worth the time and resources to do it right Make sense of your business environment and understand your audience Get stakeholders aligned on business goals and user needs Set your content strategy and decide how to measure success Create, maintain, and govern on-strategy content You'll learn to control your content—and not have it control you.

This book offers a rare chance to read what graphic designers feel about their education and profession. Fifty influential designers give the low-down about their student days and their professional lives. A piece of their college work is shown alongside an example of current work. Each designer also offers a key piece of advice and a warning, making this a must-read for anyone embarking on a career in design. The book looks at the process a designer goes through in finding their 'voice'. Topics addressed include how ideas are researched and developed; design and other cultural influences, then and now; positive and negative aspects of working as a designer; motivations for becoming a designer; and whether it's really possible to teach design. Contributors include Stefan Sagmeister, James Goggin, Karlssonwilker, Studio Dumbar, Cornel Windlin, Daniel Eatock, Spin, Hyperkit and Christian Küsters.

ADOBE PHOTOSHOP CREATIVE CLOUD™: COMPREHENSIVE, 1st Edition has been fully revised to meet Adobe's most recent Creative Cloud updates. Coverage of the newest Photoshop functions and tools bring relevancy to your course while helping you maximize your potential with the Photoshop software and familiarize themselves with the Creative Cloud. Part of the highly successful Shelly Cashman Series, ADOBE PHOTOSHOP CREATIVE CLOUD: COMPREHENSIVE, 1ST Edition follows the proven Shelly Cashman Series step-by-step, screen-by-screen approach to learning the Photoshop software. In this text, you will find features designed to engage, improve retention, and prepare you for future success. Expand your understanding of the Photoshop software and graphic design concepts through experimentation, exploration and planning ahead. End of chapter exercises prepare you to become a more capable software user by requiring you to use critical-thinking and problem-solving skills.

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Plumb the depths of core motion design fundamentals and harness the essential techniques of this diverse and innovative medium. Combine basic art and design principles with creative storytelling to create compelling style frames, design boards, and motion design projects. Here, in one volume, Austin Shaw covers all the principles any serious motion designer needs to know in order to make their artistic visions a reality and confidently produce compositions for clients, including: Illustration techniques Typography Compositing Cinematography Incorporating 3D elements Matte painting Concept development, and much more. Lessons are augmented by illustrious full color imagery and practical exercises, allowing you to put the techniques covered into immediate practical context. Industry leaders and pioneers, including Karin Fong, Bradley G Munkowitz (GMUNK), Will Hyde, Erin Sarofsky, Danny Yount, and many more, contribute their professional perspectives, share personal stories, and provide visual examples of their work. Additionally, a robust companion website (www.focalpress.com/cw/shaw) features project files, video tutorials, bonus PDFs, and rolling updates to keep you informed on the latest developments in the field.

This indispensable resource is the first and only book to include thousands of ready-to-use color swatches and palettes in multiple file formats for both print and digital applications. This entry in the Designer's Toolkit series is a straightforward and accessible guide for both designers and non-designers, in a unique format combining ready-made design elements on CD with practical advice on real-world application. Organized by themes such as historical period or mood, this book-plus-CD package makes it easy to identify the best color combinations for every job. With this toolkit in hand, anyone can make the right color choice to create effective, original, and sophisticated design.

Good graphic design relies on a simple, fundamental concept: the grid. With the invisible, unifying structure they provide, grids bring consistency and visual harmony to multi-page or multi-screen documents. The Designer's Toolkit is the first book to streamline the use of this critical tool, providing a fast-track way for both experienced and amateur designers to identify and employ the best grid for the job. A CD embedded in the book's cover includes 500 ready-to-use grid templates formatted for the most commonly used design programs. The templates can be used as-is or be easily customized to create professional-quality work. This unique book-plus-CD package provides the foundation for anyone to create effective, original, and sophisticated design.

An entertaining and highly original introduction to graphic design, this beautifully designed book uses puzzles and visual challenges to demonstrate how typography, signage, posters, and branding work. Through a series of games and activities, including spot the difference, matching games, drawing, and dot-to-dot, readers are introduced to concepts and techniques in an engaging and

interactive way. Further explanation and information is provided by solution pages and a glossary, and a loose-leaf section contains stickers, die-cut templates, and colored paper to help readers complete the activities. Illustrated with typefaces, posters, and pictograms by distinguished designers including Otl Aicher, Pierre Di Sciullo, Otto Neurath and Gerd Arntz, the book will be enjoyed both by graphic designers, and anyone interested in finding out more about visual communication.

Behavior change design creates entrancing—and effective—products and experiences. Whether you've studied psychology or are new to the field, you can incorporate behavior change principles into your designs to help people achieve meaningful goals, learn and grow, and connect with one another. Engaged offers practical tips for design professionals to apply the psychology of engagement to their work.

Outlines the popular business trend through which abstract ideas are developed into practical applications for maximum growth, sharing coverage of its mindset, techniques and vocabulary to reveal how design thinking can address a range of problems and become a core component of successful business practice.

THE GRAPHIC DESIGNER'S DIGITAL TOOLKIT, 7th Edition not only introduces students to the essential features of industry-standard software applications, but also gives them an understanding of how to integrate these programs into a seamless whole. Using a highly visual and project-based approach, this fully revised new edition examines Macintosh OS X Maverick, Windows 7 and Windows 8 operating systems, as well the most up to date Creative Cloud features of the "Big 3" digital design programs used in the graphics industry today: Adobe Illustrator, Adobe Photoshop, and Adobe InDesign . After thoroughly examining the features of each application from the designer's perspective, the author then reveals in practical detail the traditional skills and technology necessary for effective design for print and Web media. Using online project files, students are encouraged to practice what they have learned by tackling design projects throughout the text from concept to completion. Effectively merging theory with practice, THE GRAPHIC DESIGNER'S DIGITAL TOOLKIT, 7th Edition stresses the critical importance of integration in design while meeting design parameters and client expectations. Contact your Learning Consultant to learn more about how CourseMate can enhance the way you teach and your students learn. Important Notice: Media content referenced within the product description or the product text may not be available in the ebook version.

Begin your graphic design career now, with the guidance of industry experts Becoming a Graphic and Digital Designer is a single source guide to the myriad of options available to those pursuing a graphic design career. With an emphasis on portfolio requirements and job opportunities, this guide helps both students and individuals interested in entering the design field prepare for successful careers. Coverage includes design inspiration, design genres, and design education, with discussion of the specific career options available in print, interactive, and motion design. Interviews with leading designers like Michael Bierut, Stefan Sagmeister, and Mirko Illic give readers an insider's perspective on career trajectory and a glimpse into everyday operations and inspirations at a variety of companies and firms. Design has become a multi-platform

activity that involves aesthetic, creative, and technical expertise. Becoming a Graphic and Digital Designer shows readers that the field once known as "graphic design" is now richer and more inviting than ever before. Learn how to think like a designer and approach projects systematically Discover the varied career options available within graphic design Gain insight from some of the leading designers in their fields Compile a portfolio optimized to your speciality of choice Graphic designers' work appears in magazines, advertisements, video games, movies, exhibits, computer programs, packaging, corporate materials, and more. Aspiring designers are sure to find their place in the industry, regardless of specific interests. Becoming a Graphic and Digital Designer provides a roadmap and compass for the journey, which begins today.

This comprehensive resource for graphic designers will help you merge traditional print design skills with new technology to create imaginative, informative, and useful online experiences for clients and ultimately the end users. The Graphic Designer's Electronic-Media Manual focuses on reigning in the specific skills and tools necessary for creating design projects for the web and beyond. You'll also find a rich collection of sound design examples for the web from studios around the world. Unlike other books on web and electronic media, this book is not a technical manual, but a visual resource packed with real-world examples of design for the web.

Designed to prepare students for success in graphic design, the third edition of EXPLORING THE ELEMENTS OF DESIGN has been completely updated to reflect the very latest in graphic design concepts and contemporary design work. With its straightforward approach and dynamic examples, this richly illustrated full-color text offers clear explanations of the fundamental principles, award-winning examples of professional work, and diagrams that clearly show how these principles operate in successful design solutions. Offering a practical and visual introduction to the world of graphic design, this text provides students with detailed coverage of design concepts, including color, imagery, creative thinking, and visual-problem solving, as well as an overview of the field of graphic design and related career options. In addition, the third edition includes all-new material on digital media, interactive design, and typography to ensure that students have all the information needed to work in the ever-changing world of graphic design. Important Notice: Media content referenced within the product description or the product text may not be available in the ebook version.

GRAPHIC DESIGN SOLUTIONS, 6th EDITION, is the most comprehensive reference on graphic design for print and screen media. Author Robin Landa introduces principles of design and how they apply to the various graphic design disciplines, and major applications are explained and illustrated with professional work and diagrams. This text serves as a solid foundation for typographic design, advertising design and graphic design. In-depth coverage includes such topics as design principles, the design process, concept generation, branding and visual identity, design for web and mobile, package design, portfolio development, social media, ad campaigns and more. Important Notice: Media content referenced within the product description or the product text may not be available in the ebook version.

Published to instant acclaim in 2005, our best selling How to Be a Graphic Designer without Losing Your Soul has become a trusted resource for graphic designers around the world, combining practical advice with philosophical guidance to help young professionals embark on their careers. This new, expanded edition brings this essential

text up to date with new chapters on professional skills, the creative process, and global trends that include social responsibility, ethics, and the rise of digital culture. How to Be a Graphic Designer offers clear, concise guidance along with focused, no-nonsense strategies for setting up, running, and promoting a studio; finding work; and collaborating with clients. The book also includes inspiring new interviews with leading designers, including Jonathan Barnbrook, Sara De Bondt, Stephen Doyle, Ben Drury, Paul Sahre, Dmitri Siegel, Sophie Thomas, and Magnus Vol Mathiassen

The Projection Designer's Toolkit is an insider's guide to the world of professional projection design, serving as a reference for the planning and execution of each step in the projection design process. The text addresses the design process within the context of a professional projection designer's workflow, focusing on specific tools of the trade, best practices for communicating your design to collaborators, tips and tricks, determining budget, working with assistants, and more. Featuring interviews with some of the top names in the industry, the book offers an unprecedented insight into the professional projection designer's process across a wide range of fields, from Broadway and regional theatre to corporate design and music touring. The book also includes in-depth discussion on production process, system design, cue and content planning, content design, digital media fundamentals, media servers, video equipment, and projection surfaces. Additionally, it features hundreds of full-color photos and examples of designer artifacts such as draftings, mock-ups, paperwork, cue sheets, and renderings. Filled with practical advice that will guide readers from landing their first job all the way through opening night and beyond, The Projection Designer's Toolkit is the perfect resource for emerging projection designers and students in Digital Media Design and Projection Design courses.

The Graphic Design Reference & Specification Book should always be next to a designer's computer. Completely practical with only the most needed information, this valuable book provides designers with all the little details that can make or break a design, such as how much space to leave in the gutter when designing barrel folds, how to layout a template for a box, and the ratios of each part, as well as metric conversion charts, standard envelope sizes in the USA, Europe, Canada and Asia, and much more. This hardworking handbook is compact and accessible and is a must-have for any graphic designer.

A new wave of products is helping people change their behavior and daily routines, whether it's exercising more (Jawbone Up), taking control of their finances (HelloWallet), or organizing their email (Mailbox). This practical guide shows you how to design these types of products for users seeking to take action and achieve specific goals. Stephen Wendel, HelloWallet's head researcher, takes you step-by-step through the process of applying behavioral economics and psychology to the practical problems of product design and development. Using a combination of lean and agile development methods, you'll learn a simple iterative approach for identifying target users and behaviors, building the product, and gauging its effectiveness. Discover how to create easy-to-use products to help people make positive changes. Learn the three main strategies to help people change behavior Identify your target audience and the behaviors they seek to change Extract user stories and identify obstacles to behavior change Develop effective interface designs that are enjoyable to use Measure your product's impact and learn ways to improve it Use practical examples from products

like Nest, Fitbit, and Opower

Graphic Design School is organized into two main sections, 'principles' and 'practice'. The first section deals with the fundamentals of design, such as composition, hierarchy, layout, typography, grid structure, colour and so on. The second section puts these basics into practice, and gives information about studio techniques and production issues relevant to a number of different graphic design disciplines. The last part of the second section provides an overview of some of the different career choices open to students entering the graphic design field. This seventh edition of Graphic Design School features all-new assignments and fully updated reading lists. Over a third of the images are entirely new, and include a mix of professional work and outstanding student pieces. In addition, Part II: Practice Plus features new software and revisits old print technologies - for example, risograph printing and screen printing - which are becoming increasingly popular forms of production again.

Why attractive things work better and other crucial insights into human-centered design
Emotions are inseparable from how we humans think, choose, and act. In Emotional Design, cognitive scientist Don Norman shows how the principles of human psychology apply to the invention and design of new technologies and products. In The Design of Everyday Things, Norman made the definitive case for human-centered design, showing that good design demanded that the user's must take precedence over a designer's aesthetic if anything, from light switches to airplanes, was going to work as the user needed. In this book, he takes his thinking several steps farther, showing that successful design must incorporate not just what users need, but must address our minds by attending to our visceral reactions, to our behavioral choices, and to the stories we want the things in our lives to tell others about ourselves. Good human-centered design isn't just about making effective tools that are straightforward to use; it's about making affective tools that mesh well with our emotions and help us express our identities and support our social lives. From roller coasters to robots, sports cars to smart phones, attractive things work better. Whether designer or consumer, user or inventor, this book is the definitive guide to making Norman's insights work for you. "One of the most important skills in Graphic Design today is the ability to integrate different software programs into a seamless whole. Yet software books continue to teach one program at a time without regard to the integration issues that lie at the heart of good digital design. The Graphic Designer's Digital Toolkit provides a comprehensive overview of the 'Big 4' digital design programs used in industry today: Adobe Illustrator, Adobe Photoshop, Adobe InDesign, and QuarkXPress. The book then examines in practical detail how to merge results of these programs into good, workable design. The Graphic Designer's Digital Toolkit features a highly visual introduction to the essential tools and functions of each application from the perspective of the working designer. Readers are then given the opportunity to put what they learn to work by tackling design projects from concept to completion, with assignments drawn from the everyday world of professional graphic designers"--Global Books in Print.

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