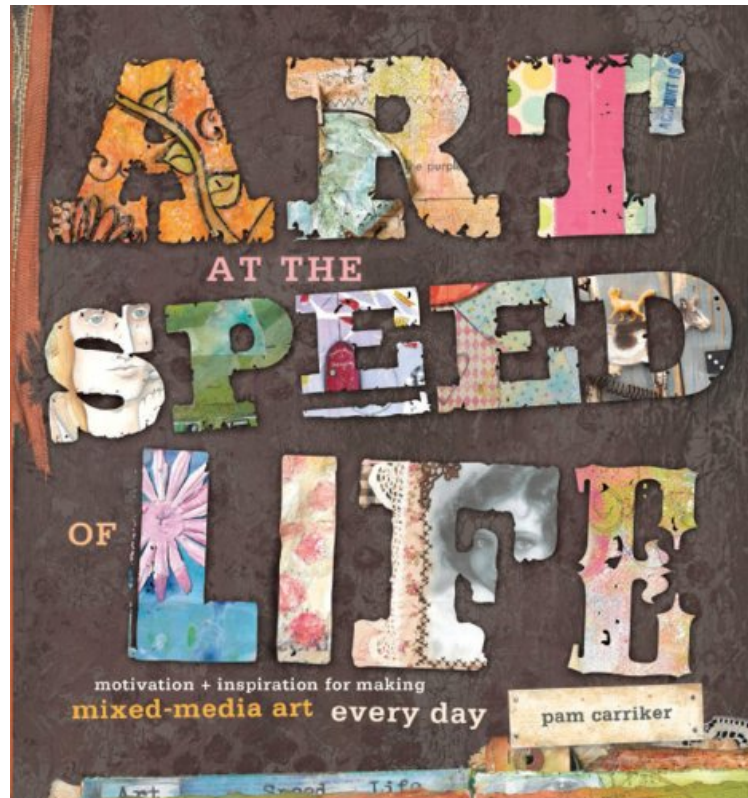


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I got this book after Christmas using an gift card that my nephew and his wife gave me. After the decorations were all put away, I picked the book up and began to read. I like the idea of creating a journal (10-minute journal) that you use throughout the book. It took me longer than ten minutes though because it was so simple and easy that I got caught up in making backgrounds. Then the next day I started a piece working from the instructions in the book. I loved how it came out and there were pictures for every step of the way. I look forward to working through more of the projects and trying my hand at some different techniques or ways of using products that I have but don't use often. I've re-discovered the fun of using light molding paste which was sitting forlornly on my shelf. If you are short on time, you'll like this book. Most of the "chapters" or articles are 1-2 pages

long and filled with photos so you won't feel overwhelmed trying to read, comprehend and follow the process. It was short enough to finish a piece and eagerly look for the next step in my journal. Happy creating! 1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. Huge impact on my life as an artist By Customer When looking for a book to cover in my studio's book club I rarely come across a book as perfectly suited as *Art at the Speed of Life*. Each project has detailed instructions and photos that are extremely helpful. I loved the way Pam took inspiration from multiple artists then offered a "speed of life" project that was inspired by their work. The book offered diversity and inspiration for taking my art to the next level. As a side note...I have a hard time not using Pam's "grungy glaze" recipe on everything! Even more rare is to find a book I will cover a second time for a book club! A group of 11 of us met for 7 weeks to go through the process of the "7 day journal." As an added challenge we spent only 1 hour per week covering the techniques. What an amazing experience! At the end of the 7 sessions we had a lush art journal ready to continue layering and living in. Thank you Pam for an amazing reference book. This is a staple in my library and I refer to it often.

Offering terrific mixed-media art projects, as well as great tips for getting organized and inspired, *Art at the Speed of Life* is a treasure chest of ideas for the artist whose fiery enthusiasm for creating art goes up in smoke after that frantic pace of a long day. Author and mixed-media artist Pam Carriker will prove to you that art and life can co-exist productively and happily, while making daily creative outlets a reality and not just wishful thinking. Each chapter in *Art at the Speed of Life* includes both essays and project ideas from a variety of contributors, including Suzi Blu, Lisa Bebi, Christy Hydeck, Paulette Insall, Cate Calacous Prato. It all begins with preparatory advice on how to manage your supplies and physically make space for you to work. This is followed by more than 15 projects that are inspiring, yet easy to complete on even the tightest of schedules and includes fun techniques such as assemblages, image transfers, and collages that are sure to keep you motivated. Plus, a bonus seven-day project journal helps you track your work as you go. Offering a unique combination of realistic time-management tips, inspiring essays, and easy-to-fit-in projects, *Art at the Speed of Life* will help you realize your dream of making art every day easily and happily.

"Exciting mixed-media projects and sage advice on how we readers can find ways to artistically make it happen for us every single day. By the end of the book, you are left with a completed art journal where you have learned numerous techniques in a voice and style that is uniquely yours." – Jenny Doh, *Crescendo* "I'm in love with this book...everything about it." – Lesley Riley, host, *Art Soul Radio* "Love the book and I think you will too!" – Mark Lipinski, former Executive Editor of *Quilter's Home* magazine "Definitely worth checking out if you are looking for some creative inspiration and motivation!" – Paint.Draw.Blend, the *Pan Pastel* blog "You'd think this is really enough for a book – topics, inspiration, commentary, projects. But there is more to this book. There are gorgeous illustrations, aphorisms to encourage you, and a square size that makes dropping it in your tote bag and taking it anywhere possible." – QuinnCreative, Blogger "This book is a beauty from cover to cover -- that is what first struck me as I leafed through it. The art-filled pages drip with gorgeous color, interesting textures, striking imagery, and provide an appealing array of projects for various mediums. Pam is a master artist as well as an excellent teacher to boot." – Susan Tuttle Blog "All of this great motivation and helpful instruction is in a beautiful, inspirational package that any level of artist is bound to appreciate." – TangledPatterns.com "Pam's book makes me want to rush out and begin creating. That's always a good indication of whether or not I am inspired by a book! I highly recommend it." – Violet's Creative Juice, Blog