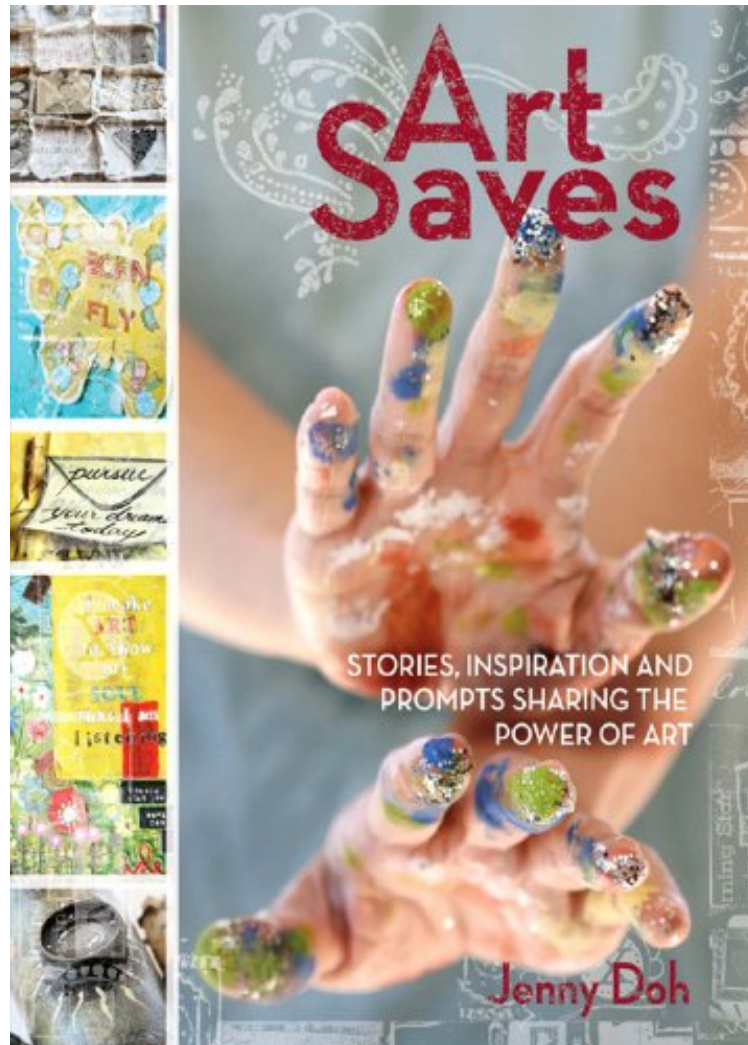


Art Saves: Stories, Inspiration and Prompts Sharing the Power of Art

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19 of 19 people found the following review helpful. Such a beautiful book By S. Warfield This book is one of the most inspirational and motivating art books that I've read. Each artist represented has given a short biography and within that bursts forth what drew them to find the artist within each of them. The projects shown are so creative and can lead the reader to ideas of his/her own in mixed-media journaling, artworks using ephemera or other types of artwork. One artist who struck me as particularly inspiring is Suzi Blu, whose multi-layered rendering of a self-portrait is titled "Art Saved a Child Like Me." The artist battled her own demons until she picked up a paint brush and discovered the

healing power of art. Her story is very much a testimony to what a pencil or paint brush and a piece of paper can do for the human spirit. You don't have to be an artist to enjoy this book or to receive inspiration from it. There are many artists to read about, their stories and their work and why they do what they do. Best of all is what their work has done for them and how it can inspire you and help you understand yourself. Thank you to the author for giving us this beautiful book to enjoy over and over again.

20 of 21 people found the following review helpful. Beautiful from beginning to end!

By C. Wimmer Amazing! As soon as I saw that Jenny Doh had a new book coming out, I was quick to purchase it and so excited to receive it. I read "Art Saves" from cover to cover immediately. It was great to see many familiar artists whose work I admire, and to learn even more about what has inspired their work. Equally interesting was discovering artists whose work I was not yet familiar with but enjoyed immediately. You'll find a great mix of art from photography (yeah, Susan Tuttle!) and mixed media (Stephanie Lee!) to jewelry (Robert Dancik!).....What a wonderful opportunity to really see a cross section of artists. "Art Saves" is not only a glimpse of the artist's personal inspiration and vision, and a fantastic sampling of their artwork, but it also chock full of techniques for the reader! If you've ever wondered, "how do they do that?", you're in for a treat when you see the many step-by-step projects inside. I've already stocked up on a few new supplies and plan to make a collage inspired by the very first featured artist, Kelly Rae Roberts. I highly recommend this book for your art book shelf - I just know you'll love it too. Kudos to Jenny Doh for a stunning, must-have book.

10 of 10 people found the following review helpful. A Beauty of a Book!

By Cristi I just received my copy of Art Saves about an hour ago and have already devoured it!. It's wonderfully written, the photos are wonderful and so inspirational. I can't wait to dive into some of the projects included. This book includes so many of my most admired artists. It's wonderful to get a little glimpse into their history of creating wonderful art. Thanks to Jenny Doh for what will most certainly be a staple in my art library!

Discover it for yourself. Inside Art Saves, experience the stories of 20 artists who found that artistic expression and the artistic process is worth living for. Whether you are a calligraphy/graffiti artist like Lisa Engelbrecht, a metal artist like Michael DeMeng, or digital collage artist like Susan Tuttle, art has a way of giving you beauty, meaning, spiritual richness, community...even salvation. The stories in this book come from every medium, because the power of the creative process can be found everywhere. Hear from: Drew Emborsky, a crochet artist, provides comfort through his creations by donating his work to hospitals and shelters. Rebecca Sower puts craft materials into the hands of Haitian women through Haiti By Hand. Marie French who, through art, creates personal miracles of healing. Suzi Blu, who discovered the real, therapeutic effect of art-making, shows you many simple, effective ways you can give back. INSIDE ART SAVES, YOU'LL ALSO FIND: Mixed media techniques and projects. Throughout the book you'll find practical ideas to put you on the art-making path. Karen Michel shares instructions on creating prayer flags, Lynn Whipple shows you how to construct a permission plaque, Susannah Conway gives advice on revealing the soul of a place through inspired photography. Inspired Lessons. Each artist lists the lessons they have learned about living life artfully. "When the Going Gets Tough..." Sidebars suggest ways you can remain strong, even when things get challenging. Hear how different artists deal with difficulty head-on. "In the artist's own words..." Advice and wisdom shared directly from each artist to you. The act of art-making is an act of life. So thread a needle, lift a paintbrush, put pencil to paper, focus the camera; find salvation.

About the Author As Editor-in-Chief of Somerset Studio and numerous art and crafting magazines from 2004 to 2009, Jenny Doh is considered an authority within the art and craft industry. Jenny's first book (co-authored with Jo Packman) is titled Where Women Create: Book of Inspiration (Lark Books). To connect the creative passion of the individual and to build an authentic community of like-minded souls that can inspire focused compassion to make a difference in the world, she recently launched CRESCENDO.h.com.