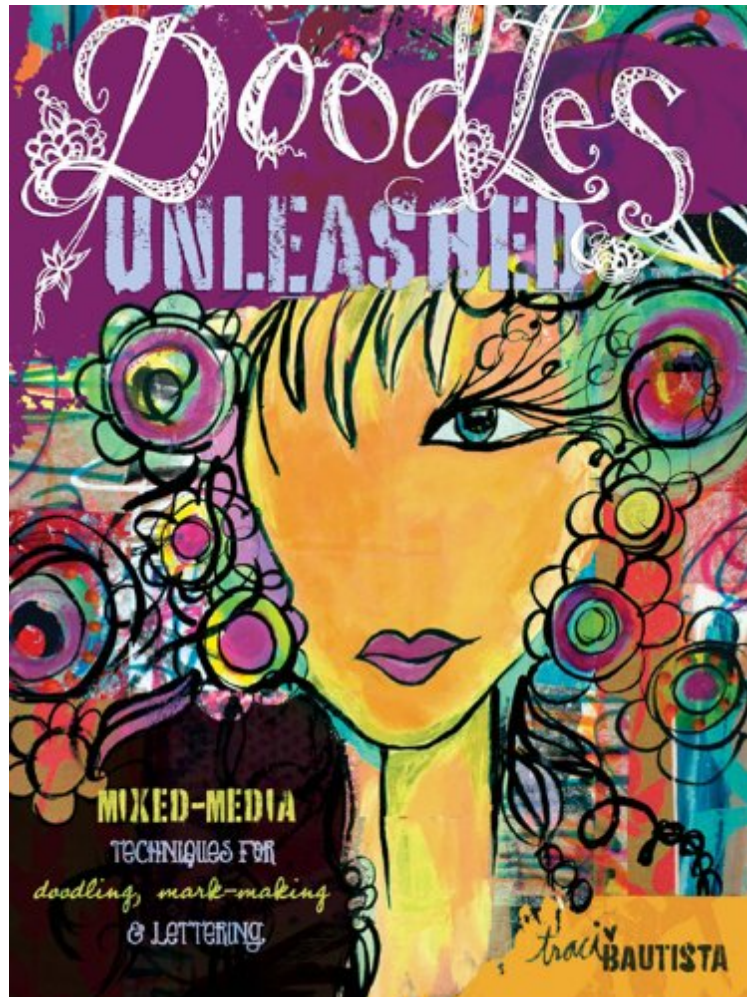


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Traci Bautista : Doodles Unleashed: Mixed-Media Techniques for Doodling, Mark-Making Lettering before purchasing it in order to gauge whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Doodles Unleashed: Mixed-Media Techniques for Doodling, Mark-Making Lettering:

38 of 39 people found the following review helpful. I love Tracy Bautista's work, great book with however one concern By Yayabozar I bought this book because I love Traci Bautista's work, I already have, of course, "Collage Unleashed" that I love and which will remain among my favorite books for a very long time, I am sure. This time, it is not about collage and specifically making books, but more about Doodling as says the title. One more time, it is very well explained, the images are gorgeous and the work is well done. My only concern is that, according to me, it is rather hard to explain and make the detail of someone's doodling. I mean, doodling is something we do instinctively. If

we follow Traci's instructions, we are going to doodle as she does, we are going to follow her different steps. It is perfect for someone who has absolutely no idea about how he/she is supposed to doodle and really needs step by step explanations. But for someone who is already used to doodle by his/her own way, I am afraid some of these explanations could be confusing or redundant. However, it is still interesting to use some of Traci's techniques and to see what kind of products she uses. I think the best is to consider this book as a documentary about how Traci Bautista does doodle, and try to get inspired by her techniques. But then, I think doodling is something very personal, and each person must find his/her own way. It is almost as if we were reading a book about how to walk. For someone who had a brain stroke and who really needs a complete new education about how to walk, it can be very useful. But for most of people, who are used to walk, they will never be able to walk as Traci Bautista does. This is of course an image, a comparison, to explain my concern about this book. Beside that, I however still think it is very interesting to have this book, and I certainly don't regret to have bought it, because I am curious about Traci Bautista's work.

3 of 3 people found the following review helpful. Rediscovering the dance By Sheilah. Bockett I learned one very important thing from Traci Bautista's book; how to rediscover confidence and spontaneity in my art making. And this, despite her art style being so different from mine. To put it in a nutshell, doodling is a neat way to rediscover the joy we had as children in making art. We can get so hung up on technique that our work can become cautious and 'safe.' I purchased "Doodles Unleashed" precisely because it *is* about doodles - surely one of the best ways to access creativity and to bring out those artistic visions that lurk in the back of our minds. Anyone who dismisses the book because it is "not my style" or because it is "merely eye candy" has seriously missed the point. In 'Doodling Unleashed' Traci Bautista inspires us to bring back the dance. After that, we can return to our own unique style, refreshed in mind and spirit. I did.

0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Great Ideas on Doodling and Collage By Ronald K. Ridley Traci has lots of ideas with great detail. I like how she organized this book with the materials as the Creative Toolbox listed up front and a few step by step process with large pictures. I am a visual person and need pictures, but also like a simple description of the process. I especially likes her Circle Doodles exercise on pages 40 and 41. It is simple and direct, but also with a little complex random design. Using a few colors especially the complements of Green and Red to create this wonder painting. I like the red paint with the using the spool of thread with the circle and wagon spokes.

Doodle, draw, paint and play! With Doodles Unleashed, you'll discover wildly new ways to bring doodling center-stage! Traci Bautista teaches you how to use doodling as a meditative exercise, a raw form of expression and a vehicle for telling your personal story. Work with an arsenal of creative tools, from markers, pencils and pens to stamps, stencils, inks and paints, to find unique, intuitive ways to make your mark. Inside Doodles Unleashed, you'll learn how to: Doodle spontaneous marks, repetitive patterns, stylistic scrawls and more Create textured and doodled backgrounds for your mixed-media art Use photographs, vintage fabric and typography as inspirations for doodling Work with unusual tools--skewers, toothpicks, sequin waste and more--to create surprising and unique marks Develop a doodling style that's all your own And if that isn't enough, you'll find links for additional downloads and video tutorials sprinkled throughout the pages, for even more doodle insight. With over 60 doodling techniques and exercises, you'll find plenty of ways to unleash your creative spirit and make your mark!

About the Author Traci Bautista is creative director and owner of *treiC Designs*; a business endeavor that's entering its tenth year. She is the author of *Collage Unleashed*, and her artwork has been featured in over 15 mixed-media books and 40 craft magazines including *Somerset Studio*, *Altered Couture*, *cloth paper scissors*, *Art Journaling*, *Art Quilting Studio*, *Belle Armoire* and *Craft*. Traci also has her own licensed product, *Collage Pauge*, from *iLoveToCreate*, which is sold in *JoAnn's*, *Hobby Lobby*, *AC Moore* and independent retailers. Bautista lives in Marina del Rey, California.