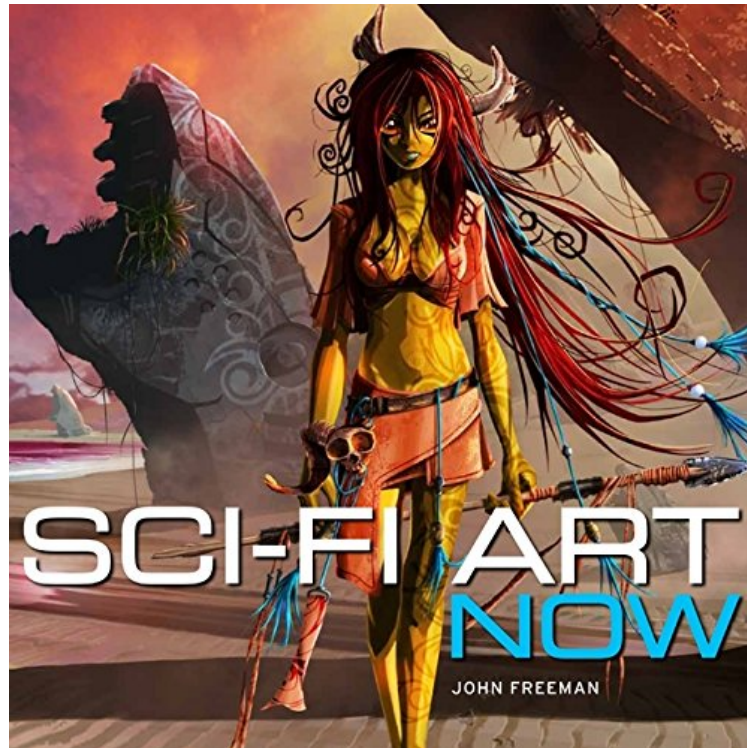


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**John Freeman : Sci-Fi Art Now** before purchasing it in order to gauge whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Sci-Fi Art Now:

0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. I love some of the illustrations in this book By JM Wilson I love some of the illustrations in this book. Another thing I like is the information about what the artist used to create their art that's included, acrylic, pencils, inks, oil, Adobe Photoshop, Bryce, GroBoto, Glitterato, POV-Ray, Cybermotion, Terragen, Poser, Wings 3D, Coral Painter, etc., although they don't provide any detailed information about how the artist creates. I bought Adobe CS6, took some art classes, created some stuff using Illustrator and Photoshop, and discovered, creating art is hard work and I'm not very good at it. That makes my appreciation for the art in this book even more heartfelt. These people are talented. I still poke around with Illustrator occasionally, but compared to some of the people I took classes with my stuff looks amateurish. I'm back to doing what I do best, reading sci-fi and fantasy, and binge watching sci-fi and fantasy TV series. I haven't seen any of the movies or TV series from the following book series, but I did read the first books, Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone, Twilight, Outlander, Fifty Shades of Grey, The Long Earth, Divergent, etc. I sample a lot of first books, but I don't read many complete series. (Who has that much time?) The Hunger Games trilogy by Suzanne Collins, and The Song of Ice and Fire (Game of Thrones) series by George Martin are a couple of exceptions. I've read both of those series more than once. Both are five star. The first three books in The Song of Ice and Fire series are the best. The Game of Thrones TV series is also five star. The first two Hunger Games movies are five star, but then they got greedy and tried to make two movies out of the Mockingjay

book when there was barely enough source material there for one movie. The first two books in The Hunger Games trilogy are better than third book, Mockingjay, and the first two movies, The Hunger Games and Catching Fire, are better than the two Mockingjay movies. Starship Troopers (1959) (not like the movie) by Robert A. Heinlein is the book that got me started in sci-fi adventures, and has remained one of my top five favorite military science fiction adventure stories for decades. The Forever War (1974) by Joe Haldeman, Armor (1984) by John Steakley, Enders Game (1985) by Orson Scott Card and Old Mans War (2005) by John Scalzi, round out my top five military sci-fi adventure stories. If you like any of the above you might also like Jack Campbells The Lost Fleet series, Taylor Andersons Destroyermen series, Andre Nortons Star Soldiers, Andy Weirs The Martian, or Frank Herberts Dune. Other sci-fi and fantasy authors I like include Douglas Adams, Isaac Asimov, Paolo Bacigalupi, Arthur C. Clarke, Earnest Cline, Suzanne Collins, Abe Evergreen, Terry Goodkind, Hugh Howey, Robert Jordan, George Martin, Larry Niven, Patrick Rothfuss, Brandon Sanderson and J.R.R. Tolkien.

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Great Book  
By Pacucho  
I am more than happy with the quality of this book. The pictures are extremely detailed and the quality is superb. There is a great collection of varying artists with the chapters broken down between different subject matter you might find in Sci-Fi art. The collection of actual art though could have been somewhat better. Meaning there are some pieces featured, that seem rather plain. However, with this said I know everyone has their own ideas and opinions. Overall great book.

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best coffee table book ever!  
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want something in your house to just browse through and be awed with. Then this is the one for you, nothing to fancy, just pages of awesome art to inspire, or just entertain... worth every penny!

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