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BrickJournal #50 pulls out all the stops with a special double-size BOOK (144 full-color pages)! The magazine for LEGO enthusiasts celebrates its golden anniversary as photo editor GEOFF GRAY talks to editor JOE MENO about the beginnings of BrickJournal, starting way back in 2007! Then Joe reflects with TORMOD ASKILDSEN of the LEGO GROUP on the origins of the magazine, and how the LEGO fan community has grown along with the iconic toy company. Also, BrickJournal tracks down some of the best builders of the past 50 issues—where are they now, and what are they building? Plus: AFOLs ("Adult Fans of LEGO") by cartoonist Greg Hyland, step-by step "You Can Build It" instructions by Christopher Deck, BrickNerd's DIY Fan Art, Minifigure Customization with Jared K. Burks, MINDSTORMS robotics lessons by Damien Kee, and more!

BrickJournal #65 (84 full-color pages), the magazine for LEGO® enthusiasts, celebrates the holidays with brick sculptor Zio Chao, takes a offbeat look at Christmas with our minifigure customizer Jared K. Burks, and decks the halls with the holiday creations of Koen Zwanenburg! Plus: "AFOLs" by cartoonist Greg Hyland, step-by-step "You Can Build It" instructions by Christopher Deck, and more! Edited by Joe Meno.

The most impressive LEGO models often take careful planning (and lots of pieces), but with some inspiration, a little imagination, and a number of tried-and-true techniques, you too can turn bricks into a masterpiece. In The Art of LEGO® Design, author Jordan Schwartz explores LEGO as an artistic medium. This wide-ranging collection of creative techniques will help you

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craft your own amazing models as you learn to see the world through the eyes of some of the greatest LEGO builders. Each concept is presented with a collection of impressive models to spark your imagination—like fantastic dragons, futuristic spaceships, expressive characters, and elaborate dioramas. You'll discover some of the inventive techniques that LEGO artists use to:

- Create lifelike creatures from unusual elements like inside-out tires and minifigure capes
- Design sleek cars without showing a single stud
- Add ambience to dioramas with light bricks or LEDs
- Craft eye-catching textures to create cobblestone roads and brick walls
- Build sturdy, detailed, posable mechs and other figures
- Add depth with forced perspective and interesting silhouettes

Interviews with the talented builders behind many of the book's models reveal their thoughts on the design process and what inspires them most. Even if you've been building with LEGO since you could crawl, you'll find new inspiration in *The Art of LEGO® Design*.

YOU CAN BUILD IT is a new ongoing series of instruction books on the art of LEGO® custom building, from the producers of *BRICKJOURNAL* magazine! Spinning off from *BrickJournal*'s popular "You Can Build It" column, these FULL-COLOR books are loaded with nothing but STEP-BY-STEP INSTRUCTIONS by some of the top custom builders in the LEGO fan community. *BOOK ONE* is for beginning-to-intermediate builders, and features instructions for custom creations including Miniland figures, a fire engine, Christmas ornaments, a street vignette, plus miniscale models from "a galaxy far, far away," and more! So if you're ready to go beyond the standard LEGO sets available in stores and move into custom building with the bricks you already own, this ongoing series will quickly take you from novice to expert builder, teaching you key building techniques along the way!

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BrickJournal #49, the magazine for LEGO enthusiasts, celebrates the 40th anniversary of the TECHNIC line of sets! Photo editor GEOFF GRAY takes a look at the sets that made this theme more than building! Editor JOE MENO interviews former LEGO Set Designer SØREN HOLM about a classic TECHNIC set: The TECHNIC SPACE SHUTTLE! TECHNIC Fan MICHAEL BROWN shows off his AH-64 APACHE - in TECHNIC scale! Plus: AFOLs ("Adult Fans of LEGO") by cartoonist Greg Hyland, step-by step "You Can Build It" instructions by CHRISTOPHER DECK, BrickNerd's DIY Fan Art, Minifigure Customization with JARED K. BURKS, MINDSTORMS robotics lessons by Damien Kee, and more!

BrickJournal #63 (84 full-color pages), the magazine for LEGO® enthusiasts, goes under the sea to visit Ryan Van Duzor's Coral Reef, sails over to Hawaii to visit the many creations of Colin Hemmen's Brickiverse, and then flies to Hollywood to take a look at John Klapheke's scenes from the Indiana Jones movies! Plus: "AFOLs" by cartoonist Greg Hyland, step-by-step "You Can Build It" instructions by Christopher Deck, BrickNerd's DIY Fan Art with Tommy Williamson, Minifigure Customization with Jared K. Burks, and more! Edited by Joe Meno.

RetroFan #2 is sure to satiate the trick-or-treat cravings of your inner child! We peek into the tombs of TV horror-hosts ZACHERLEY, VAMPIRA, SEYMOUR, MARVIN, and our cover-featured ELVIRA, interviewed by Monster Mash's MARK VOGER! ANDY MANGELS welcomes us to Saturday morning's Horrible Hall, home of the Groovie Goolies! SCOTT SAAVEDRA tunes in to the creepy, kooky Bewitched, The Addams Family, and The Munsters! The Oddball World of SCOTT SHAW! takes us on a Jurassic lark through the long-buried Dinosaur Land amusement park! Learn the history of Ben Cooper Halloween costumes in an interview with

IRA J. COOPER! Super collector TERRY COLLINS shows off his collection of character lunchboxes! Plus: collecting superhero View-Masters; Sindy, the British Barbie; mood rings, and more fun, fab features! Photo cover spotlighting Elvira herself, CASSANDRA PETERSON! Edited by Back Issue magazine's MICHAEL EURY.

BrickJournal #66 (84 full-color pages), the magazine for LEGO® enthusiasts, springs into a bunch of different directions this issue! First, we take a look at the brick universe through Yuansheng He's camera, detailing how he creates and captures his breathtaking brick art photography. Then we showcase the many models of Tom Frost, and discover the intricate Star Wars builds of Bantha Brick's Steven Smyth! Plus: "Bricks in the Middle" by Kevin Hinkle and Matthew Kay, step-by-step "You Can Build It" instructions by Christopher Deck, Minifigure Customization with Jared K. Burks, and more! Edited by Joe Meno.

This book investigates a paradox of creative yet scripted play—how LEGO invites players to build 'freely' with and within its highly structured, ideologically-laden toy system. First, this book considers theories and methods for deconstructing LEGO as a medium of bricolage, the creative reassembly of already-significant elements. Then, it pieces together readings of numerous LEGO sets, advertisements, videogames, films, and other media that show how LEGO constructs five ideologies of play: construction play, dramatic play, digital play, transmedia play, and attachment play. From suburban traffic patterns to architectural croissants, from feminized mini-doll bodies to toys-to-life

stories, from virtual construction to playful fan creations, this book explores how the LEGO medium conveys ideological messages—not by transmitting clear statements but by providing implicit instructions for how to reassemble meanings it had all along.

The LEGO® lifestyle is blasting off in BrickJournal #59 (84 full-color pages, \$8.95), the magazine for LEGO enthusiasts! This issue goes to a galaxy far, far away with a cluster of Star Wars™ themed builders, including Jacob Neil Carpenter's Death Star, the work of Miri Dudas, and the LEGO® photography of James Philippart! There's also a new "AFOLs" comic strip by Greg Hyland, "You Can Build It" instructions by Christopher Deck, BrickNerd's DIY Fan Art with Tommy Williamson, Minifigure Customization with Jared K. Burks, and more!

BrickJournal #61 (84 full-color pages), the magazine for LEGO enthusiasts, gets into figure building with a look at Jae Won Lee's historical and legendary figures! There's an in-depth feature on Eero Okkonen's stunning LEGO mythic figures! Then we go to town to survey Andrea ("Norton74") Lattanzio's new ultra-realistic builds, including classic food stands and gas stations! Plus: "AFOLs" by cartoonist Greg Hyland, step-by-step "You Can Build It" instructions by Christopher Deck, Minifigure Customization with Jared K. Burks, and more!

BrickJournal #48, the magazine for LEGO enthusiasts, returns to the fast-changing world of MECHA! We'll have interviews with mecha builders BENJAMIN CHEH, KELVIN LOW, LU SIM, FREDDY TAM, DAVID LIU, and SAM CHEUNG! Learn how to

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build mechs with some of the best mecha builders in the world! Plus: AFOLs ("Adult Fans of LEGO") by cartoonist Greg Hyland, step-by step "You Can Build It" instructions by CHRISTOPHER DECK, BrickNerd's DIY Fan Art, Minifigure Customization with JARED K. BURKS, MINDSTORMS robotics lessons by Damien Kee, and more!

BrickJournal #51, the magazine for LEGO enthusiasts, revisits STEAMPUNK with guest editor and builder GUY HIMBER! It's the follow-up to our sold-out issue #16, where we'll be talking to PAUL HETHERINGTON about his cover model "Unchain My Heart," as well as catch up with ROD GILLIES and his latest Steampunk work, and look at the creations of other top builders! Plus: AFOLs ("Adult Fans of LEGO") by cartoonist Greg Hyland, step-by step "You Can Build It" instructions by Christopher Deck, BrickNerd's DIY Fan Art, Minifigure Customization with Jared K. Burks, and more!

Unleash your imagination as you journey through the wide-ranging world of LEGO building with The LEGO Adventure Book. This inspiring tour is filled with bright visuals, step-by-step breakdowns of 25 models, and nearly 200 example models from the world's best builders. Learn to build robots, trains, medieval villages, spaceships, airplanes, and much more. Whether you're brand-new to LEGO or have been building for years, this book is sure to spark your imagination and motivate you to keep creating! 365 Things to Do with LEGO® Bricks inspires you to look at your LEGO bricks in new and exciting ways. This interactive book features imaginative play and building ideas,

from LEGO projects that take just a few minutes and require a handful of bricks to inspirational build ideas and activities to keep you occupied for hours. Visual tips and advice from LEGO fan builders will encourage you to get creative and have fun while learning new building skills such as building your own LEGO pet, challenging your friends to make the tallest LEGO tower against the clock, and creating a LEGO treasure hunt. 365 Things to Do with LEGO Bricks is full of games and activities that will keep you busy every day of the year. LEGO, the LEGO logo, the Brick and Knob configurations and the Minifigure are trademarks of the LEGO Group. ©2016 The LEGO Group. All rights reserved. Produced by DK Publishing under license from the LEGO Group.

Spotlights life-size LEGO® creations, and what it takes to build them (besides a truckload of LEGO parts)! Helen Sham's sculptures of life-size everyday items, Magnus Laughlo's GI Joe®-inspired models, military builds by Eric Ong, "Bricks In The Middle" comic strip by Kevin Hinkle, "You Can Build It" instructions by Christopher Deck, BrickNerd's DIY Fan Art, Minifigure Customization with Jared K. Burks, and more!

Since the "Automatic Binding Bricks" that LEGO produced in 1949, and the LEGO "System of Play" that began with the release of Town Plan No. 1 (1955), LEGO bricks have gone on to become a global phenomenon, and the favorite

building toy of children, as well as many an AFOL (Adult Fan of LEGO). LEGO has also become a medium into which a wide number of media franchises, including Star Wars, Harry Potter, Pirates of the Caribbean, Batman, Superman, Lord of the Rings, and others, have adapted their characters, vehicles, props, and settings. The LEGO Group itself has become a multimedia empire, including LEGO books, movies, television shows, video games, board games, comic books, theme parks, magazines, and even MMORPGs. LEGO Studies: Examining the Building Blocks of a Transmedial Phenomenon is the first collection to examine LEGO as both a medium into which other franchises can be adapted and a transmedial franchise of its own. Although each essay looks at a particular aspect of the LEGO phenomenon, topics such as adaptation, representation, paratexts, franchises, and interactivity intersect throughout these essays, proposing that the study of LEGO as a medium and a media empire is a rich vein barely touched upon in Media Studies.

LEGO and Creativity -- LEGO, Ethics, and Rules -- LEGO and Identity -- LEGO, Consumption, and Culture -- LEGO, Metaphysics, and Math

BrickJournal #60 (84 full-color pages), the magazine for LEGO® enthusiasts, descends into mysterious and spooky building with a creepy visit to Flynn DeMarco's Treasure of the Snake Queen, a motorized and multilevel LEGO

creation! After that, we lurk in Holly Webster's studio to reveal her rendition of Laika's Missing Link! Then, we take readers on a spine-tingling ride through Stacy Sterling's brick-built Haunted Mansion! Plus: "AFOLs" by cartoonist Greg Hyland, step-by-step "You Can Build It" instructions by Christopher Deck, BrickNerd's DIY Fan Art with Tommy Williamson, Minifigure Customization with Jared K. Burks, and more!

Filled with dirigibles and floating cities, penny-farthings and pirate ships, curiosities and robots galore, Steampunk LEGO is an illustrated collection of Victorian-era sci-fi treasures, all built from LEGO. Curated by award-winning LEGO builder and special effects master Guy Himber, this full-color coffee table book showcases an eclectic variety of models designed by dozens of the world's best LEGO artists. Grab your brass goggles and join fictional explorer Sir Herbert Jobson as he travels the world cataloguing its technological wonders for Queen Victoria. His entertaining descriptions of an imaginative alternate history bring these delightful LEGO models to swashbuckling life.

It's heads and tails in BrickJournal #55, the magazine for LEGO enthusiasts! Builder Felix Jaensch shows his remarkable LEGO sculptures, from realistic animals to the human skull—plus amazing face masks (including an iconic Guy Fawkes "V for Vendetta" version)! Then take a tour of a stunningly detailed

Kermorvan Lighthouse replica by Bryan Benson, with an in-depth feature on its construction from LEGO bricks. And don't miss the spectacular Winter layout by Dave Schefcik that will blow your mind! Plus: Our new "Bricks In The Middle" comic strip by Kevin Hinkle, "You Can Build It" instructions by Christopher Deck, BrickNerd's DIY Fan Art, Minifigure Customization with Jared K. Burks, and more!

For your eyes only: BrickJournal #54, the magazine for LEGO enthusiasts, assembles a covert Dossier on one of today's most idiosyncratic builders, Taiwan's Hsinwei Chi! Marvel at his revolutionary work, from animals to giant robots, and discover how he develops his distinctive Lego creations! We also infiltrate the studios of other top builders, and declassify their latest creations, including Michael Brown's colossal Technic-scale F-18 Hornet! Plus: AFOLs ("Adult Fans of LEGO") by cartoonist Greg Hyland, step-by step "You Can Build It" instructions by Christopher Deck, BrickNerd's DIY Fan Art with Tommy Williamson, Minifigure Customization with Jared K. Burks, and more!

In this volume of the LEGO Adventure Book series, Megs and Brickbot face their toughest challenge yet. The Destructor is on the loose again, demolishing LEGO models and shaking things up! Join Megs as she rebuilds the models and meets some of the world's best builders. Learn to create a Renaissance house, a

classic movie theater, sushi, Miniland-scale marvels, an ice cream truck, street lamps, and even a chicken coop. With 40 step-by-step breakdowns and nearly 150 example models, *The LEGO Adventure Book* will surely inspire you and keep you building!

BrickJournal #47, the magazine for LEGO enthusiasts, makes some waves in its UNDERSEA ISSUE! First, builder MITSURU NIKAIIDO shows us his undersea creatures and organic builds! Then jump aboard MARCELLO DeCICCO's minifigure-scale warships! And see amazing architectural creations by PEDRO NASCIMENTO! Plus: AFOLs ("Adult Fans of LEGO") by cartoonist Greg Hyland, step-by step "You Can Build It" instructions by CHRISTOPHER DECK, BrickNerd's DIY Fan Art, Minifigure Customization with JARED K. BURKS, MINDSTORMS robotics lessons by Damien Kee, and more!

Offers a wide range of techniques that can be used to alter LEGO minifigures by using a series of step-by-step tutorials on decal design and application, custom part modification, and color alteration.

Klassik Komix goes gaslight with some very victorian Steampunk Stories! Turn of the century tales featuring weird west, alternative history, and anachronistic tech from the Golden Age of Comics! Take Jules Vernes' Voyage To The Moon, Sherlock Holmes investigates Music Of Murder, werewolves wander the wild west, Spurs Jackson and his Space Vigilantes ally with aliens, Frankenstein meets Phantom Of The Opera, the reptilian Voltamen rule The Lost World, Doctor Graves squares out Scotland Yard, the Boy Explorers head on a lunar trip, Mr. L. Dead uncovers a buried treasure, the Mummy mashes Mr. Hyde, Jack the Ripper gets The

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Deepest Cut Of All, Lariat Lucy lassos up a ghost, and Count Nikolai lures a lycanthrope! Murder, mystery, mad science, and monstrous mayhem in this sensation speculative fiction fiesta! 100 Big Pages!

BrickJournal #58 (84 full-color pages), the magazine for LEGO enthusiasts, gets into building warbirds of the past and present with a look at Jeff Cherry's World War II and modern fighters, including his P-51 Mustang and F-14 Tomcat! There's also a feature on Ralph Savelsburg's planes, including an X-plane that is a BrickJournal exclusive! (Which one is it?) Corvin Stichert also presents his planes of present and future, including the hypersonic Seraphim! Plus: "Bricks in the Middle" by cartoonist Kevin Hinkle, step-by-step "You Can Build It" instructions by Christopher Deck, Minifigure Customization with Jared K. Burks, and more!

Level-up your building as BrickJournal #53, the magazine for LEGO enthusiasts, gets dialed in with its Video Game issue! Get ready, as custom designers Tyler Clites and Sean Mayo show you all the LEGO hacks you need to twink and juice your creations! We also present big bad game-inspired models by Baron Von Brunk, and Pokemon-inspired models by LI LI! Plus: our new "Bricks In The Middle" comic strip by Kevin Hinkle, step-by step "You Can Build It" instructions by Christopher Deck, BrickNerd's DIY Fan Art, Minifigure Customization with Jared K. Burks, and more! Don't whiff: Get BrickJournal #53!

BrickJournal #46, the magazine for LEGO enthusiasts, goes back to the train station with LEGO train builder CALE LEIPHART! We'll also take a look at the train layouts and models from the PENNSYLVANIA LEGO Users Group (PENNLug) and a new LEGO Train fan website that launched this year, BRICK MODEL RAILROADER! Plus: AFOLs ("Adult Fans of LEGO") by cartoonist Greg Hyland, step-by step "You Can Build It" instructions by CHRISTOPHER

DECK, BrickNerd's DIY Fan Art, Minifigure Customization with JARED K. BURKS, MINDSTORMS robotics lessons by Damien Kee, and more!

Steampunk is more than a fandom, a literary genre, or an aesthetic. It is a research methodology turning history inside out to search for alternatives to the progressive technological boosterism sold to us by Silicon Valley. This book turns to steampunk's quirky temporalities to embrace diverse genealogies of the digital humanities and to unite their methodologies with nineteenth-century literature and media archaeology. The result is nineteenth-century digital humanities, a retrofuturist approach in which readings of steampunk novels like William Gibson and Bruce Sterling's *The Difference Engine* and Ken Liu's *The Grace of Kings* collide with nineteenth-century technological histories like Charles Babbage's use of the difference engine to enhance worker productivity and Isabella Bird's spirit photography of alternate history China. Along the way, *Steampunk and Nineteenth-Century Digital Humanities* considers steampunk as a public form of digital humanities scholarship and activism, examining projects like Kinetic Steam Works's reconstruction of Henri Giffard's 1852 steam-powered airship, Jake von Slatt's use of James Wimshurst's 1880 designs to create an electric influence machine, and the queer steampunk activism of fans appearing at conventions around the globe. Steampunk as a digital humanities practice of repurposing reacts to the growing sense of multiple non-human temporalities mediating our human histories: microtemporal electricities flowing through our computer circuits, mechanical oscillations marking our work days, geological stratifications and cosmic drifts extending time into the millions and billions of years. Excavating the entangled, anachronistic layers of steampunk practice from video games like *Bioshock Infinite* to marine trash floating off the shore of Los

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Angeles and repurposed by media artist Claudio Garzón into steampunk submarines, Steampunk and Nineteenth-Century Digital Humanities uncovers the various technological temporalities and multicultural retrofutures illuminating many alternate histories of the digital humanities.

BrickJournal #67, the magazine for LEGO® enthusiasts, heads into Spring with an introduction to Tom Gerardin's LEGO best friends Billy and Charlie, takes of a tour of Disneyland Paris' Sleeping Beauty Castle by Dario Del Frates, and visits some more theme parks with Bill Vollbrecht! Plus: "AFOLs" by cartoonist Greg Hyland, step-by-step "You Can Build It" instructions by Christopher Deck, Minifigure Customization by Jared K. Burks, and more! Edited by Joe Meno.

TwoMorrows' new magazine RetroFan spotlights the CRAZY, COOL CULTURE WE GREW UP WITH in the 1960s, '70s, and '80s! Issue #1 cover-features an all-new interview with TV's Incredible Hulk, LOU FERRIGNO, and introduces a quartet of columns by our regular celebrity columnists: MARTIN PASKO's Pesky Perspective (this issue: The Phantom in Hollywood), ANDY MANGELS' Retro Saturday Mornings (Filmation's Star Trek cartoon), ERNEST FARINO's Retro Fantasmagoria (How I Met the Wolf Man—Lon Chaney, Jr.), and The Oddball World of SCOTT SHAW (the goofy comic book Zody the Mod Rob). Also: Mego's rare Elastic Hulk toy; RetroTravel to Mount Airy, NC, the real-life Mayberry; an interview with BETTY LYNN, "Thelma Lou" of The Andy Griffith

Show; the scarcity of Andy Griffith Show collectibles; a trip inside TOM STEWART's eclectic House of Collectibles; RetroFan's Too Much TV Quiz; and a RetroFad shout-out to Mr. Microphone. Edited by Back Issue magazine's MICHAEL EURY.

Includes illustrated, step-by-step guides to building time travel and steampunk related machines.

Create your own custom city with building instructions for over 50 builds from 8 amazing LEGO Micro Cities! Build a beautiful LEGO® city that's small enough to hold in your hands! Filled with striking photos, step-by-step instructions, and countless ideas for customization, LEGO Micro Cities shows you how building small can open up new possibilities for the creative builder. You'll learn everything you need to know to create your own micro city, from building the foundation to adding convincing architectural details that will bring your city to life. BrickJournal #64 (84 full-color pages), the magazine for LEGO® enthusiasts, takes a look at some fans who took classic LEGO themes and made them their own! We see Piet Niederhausen's series of creations based on the Classic Yellow Castle, and meet the builder who started the Neo-Classic Space theme, Chris Giddens! We also travel to Billund, Denmark to the LEGO House and take a look at their Masterpiece Gallery! Plus: "Bricks in the Middle" by Kevin Hinkle

and Matthew Kay, step-by-step “You Can Build It” instructions by Christopher Deck, Minifigure Customization with Jared K. Burks, and more!

If you enjoyed Minifigure Customization: Populate Your World!, don't miss the sequel, Minifigure Customization2: Why Live in the Box? MC2 takes an advanced look at the hobby, introducing more complex techniques to alter the lovable LEGO minifigure, and building on the techniques introduced in the first book. It features tutorials on virtual customization; designing decals and advanced decal application; custom part modification and creation, including 3-D printing; advanced painting techniques; lighting figures with LEDs or EL wire; tips on minifigure displays; and digital photography tips to capture your custom figures in the best light. Essential tools used to create custom figures are identified and updated, and it even includes a Gallery of custom minifigures from top customizers, where they share their favorite tips and tricks. Why live in the box? Populate your world with any alien, superhero, historical, action, horror, or science-fiction figure you can “Just imagine.”

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