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# Spectrum 23: The Best In Contemporary Fantastic Art



## Synopsis

The best-selling Spectrum series continues with this twenty-third lavishly produced annual. Challenging, controversial, educational, and irreverent, the award-winning Spectrum series reinforces both the importance and prevalence of fantastic art in today's culture. With exceptional images by extraordinary creators, this elegant full-color collection showcases an international cadre of creators working in every style and medium, both traditional and digital. The best artists from the United States, Europe, China, Australia, South America and beyond have gathered into the only annual devoted exclusively to works of fantasy, horror, science fiction, and the surreal, making Spectrum one of the year's highly most anticipated books. Featured in Spectrum 23 are over 300 diverse visionaries. With art from books, graphic novels, video games, films, galleries, advertising and the fine arts, Spectrum is both an electrifying art book for fans and an invaluable resource for clients looking for bright new talent. The entire field is discussed in an invaluable, found-nowhere-else Year In Review. Contact information for each artist is included. Often imitated, never equaled, Spectrum 23 continues the freshness and excellence that was established over twenty years ago.

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## Customer Reviews

John Fleskes is the president and publisher of Flesk Publications. He has published over fifty books to date. Fleskes has contributed to numerous books as writer, editor and designer and serves as the director of the annual showcase "Spectrum: The Best in Contemporary Fantastic Art."

Every Christmas for about 15 years I then my older brother then his son always after lunch sit down and take it in turns to look through this yearscopy of Spectrum. This year is no different ,as always Spectrum is very good ,but this year the writing about the gold then silver winners in each section of the book was almost impossible to read. The black letters on the gold then silver just didn't show up well enough. Other than that all was good and I look forward to getting Spectrum 24 next year.

I agree with the reviewers above, Spectrum is THE go to collection for fantasy art every year. I want to give it 5 stars, but I can't. It is just a trifle flat. I wish I could define that better; an off year possibly. Still all kinds of 4 stars, of course.

As always excellent book. Product limited by what available that year and to be honest some volumes in the series were better. At the same time if you are fan of fantasy art a must have.

As an illustrator, I always love the Spectrum books! They showcase some of the best works in contemporary fantasy illustration. This book is a beautiful hardcover and did not disappoint.

I have them all and still pick up the older annuals and go through the artwork. You will see many illustrations that may have appeared in your video game or on the cover of a book you've read. This book will introduce you to the artists who are doing the best album and book covers and other commercial illustrations in the US and around the world. It really is worth the hard cover price.

If you are a fan of great sci-fi and fantasy art then this book gives you an excellent range of what's out there!! I've been collecting this series since it began and it never disappoints! Highly recommended!

It's a fabulous book as always! I've been buying Spectrum every year for my husband and he's never disappointed, nor am I.

Spectrum blows me away every time. Love love love it. Can look at these again and again. Inspirational.....uh, yeah.

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