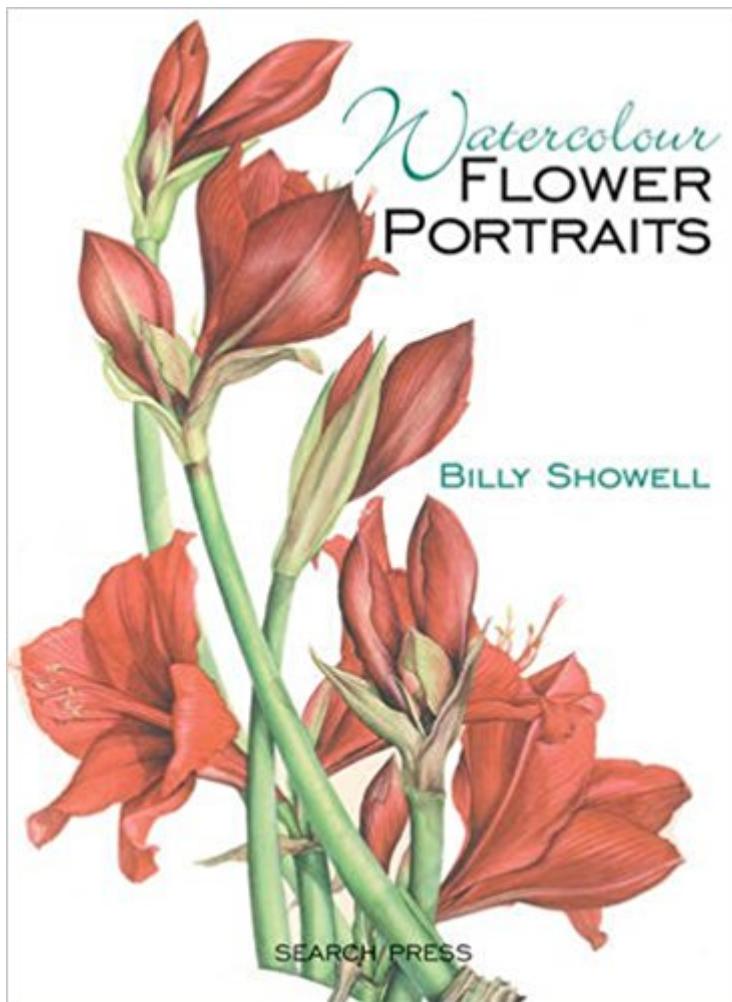


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Watercolour Flower Portraits



Synopsis

Billy Showell's exquisite and technically brilliant watercolour flower portraits are beautifully presented in this highly informative, lavishly illustrated book. Packed with information on drawing and painting techniques, colour mixing and composition, it is an invaluable source of ideas and inspiration for anyone who wants to develop their flower painting skills, whether or not they have any previous experience.

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"An essential book for anyone wanting to achieve realistic flower portraits." — Jeannie Zelos Artworks "This highly informative, lavishly illustrated book is packed full of information on different drawing and painting techniques." — The Lady

Billy Showell graduated from St Martins School of Art and is the author of Watercolour Fruit & Vegetable Portraits.

This is one of the first watercolor guidebooks that has it all. It gives the colors used for each plant portrait on one side of the page with good color impressions and mixing instructions, followed by step-by-step demonstrations. The step-by-step is clear and very helpful. Finally, the final product is very pleasing. There are many flowers to choose from and the leaves and stems are beautifully done. This is a book by a talented artist which helps anyone looking for guidance. Amaryllis on

cover, however, is quite misleading. No where in the book is it demonstrated. A piece of it here and there is all that the book shows.

Billy Showell's title, "Flower Portraits", says a lot about her approach. Although not a botanist, she endeavors to create highly accurate pictures of flowers -- portraits -- rather than being satisfied with the vague splashes of color and hints of line used by some other "flower painters". The "portrait" on the front cover conveys a lot: a lovely painting of red amaryllis created in a very artful way. Best of all, her respect for the plants and her meticulous approach to painting them only serve to enliven her paintings. Her instructions are clear and lucid. Highly recommended for those who truly love flowers and who can understand and enjoy a meditative approach to watercolor painting.

This is a beautiful book. More instructive than any other book I have seen. It takes you through every phase of constructing floral drawings.

Great book with wonderful pictures. I wish that he/she would have taught techniques as to shading. Shading is taught but not how to actually make the marks with your pencil.

This is a wonderful book if you're interested in painting flowers. Billy Showell is a fantastic artist and explains her techniques very well.

An incredibly talented artist, who can teach a very technical form of painting and still make you want to work that hard. She is clear, concise, and adds joy to the presentations. Her compositions make you want to leave the real world and do nothing but create using her style of painting.

This book is worth buying simply for the flower portraits. The detailed well written instructions are easy to follow and very encouraging.

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