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Searching for crafty inspiration?

Eager to try some new techniques?

Need some more junk for your trunk?

Well, look no further!

In this cheeky sequel, Mark Montano picks up where his wildly popular *The Big-Ass Book of Crafts* left off, with even more spectacular—and easy-to-make—projects sure to satisfy crafters of all skill levels. Turn colorful ribbons into a show-stopping scarf . . . transform old cargo pants into a kick-ass carryall . . . a high-drama neckpiece made out of zippers? Absolutely. Along with a host of other wearable wonders, this exciting all-new volume includes sections such as *Pillow Talk* (fun, comfy, and made from the most surprising materials), *Letter Perfect* (cool designs to pop into the mailbox nearest you), *Hey, I Could Use That* (make a big statement with little things from magnets to nail polish), *Just Kid-ding* (cheery dÉcor made from kid-centric stuff, guaranteed to make you smile!), *That's Shoe Biz* (fun fixes that give sidelined footwear and handbags a whole new life), and dozens of other ideas that are inventive, imaginative, and just plain fun.

With his trademark humor and no-holds-barred approach to crafting, Mark will have you tapping into your creative soul and taking simple techniques to a whole new level in no time. We're not talking plant-hangers and potholders here—the more than 150 handmade projects in this truly unique compendium are artistic, eye-catching, and cutting-edge, from cool brooches and earrings to ingenious belts and bags, from Bauhaus-style furniture to fishbowl lanterns, and so much more!

## **The Big-Ass Book of Crafts 2 Details**

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## **From Reader Review The Big-Ass Book of Crafts 2 for online ebook**

### **Heather says**

This is just like the first book, not lacking in quantity, but less than par in quality. The crafts are easy, but impractical, with the exception of a few gems tucked away in some of the pages.

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### **Hybridhopes says**

I think he must've been taught the same thing I was taught, briefly, in my pediatric nursing rotation. When drawing for kids, don't draw better than they do.

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### **Blaine says**

This was a fun book to look over. I definitely earmarked some of the DIYs to do for Christmas presents this year.

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### **Ligaya says**

Interesting, curious, but ultimately, NO. Creative, weird, and some just plain ugly. Inspirational? Meh. Many of the projects presented here aren't very durable and thus not worth the time to do them.

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### **Betsy says**

Wish it had more variety instead of trying to fit projects to match certain themes. Still, the techniques are useful.

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### **Stephanie says**

I was so excited to read this book but sadly most of the ideas were just...strange. Maybe if I had read this when I was in my teens, I'd have used some of these ideas. Not much I could use now, though.

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## **Michelle says**

bizarre, random, sometimes strange, but totally accessible if you're the least bit handy.

it'd be a fun book to use for a craft day with the girls and create something weird and/or fun. A bottle of wine would be required to help you let go of your preconceived ideas of what "art" is.

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## **Bree says**

This one was better than the first. I think the things were cuter and more logical such as the striped stool or glitter nailpolish. I didn't find it as hideous as the previous book. I was actually looking forward to these books because I hate those ones were it looks like my grandma would have made it back in the 70's, such as knitted potholders which cost more to make than going to Walmart and twice as ugly.

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## **Lori says**

This is a sequel to the Big Ass Book of Crafts One. Mark Montano provides more great ideas for artists and crafters alike.

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## **Anna says**

I didn't even know this book existed until I went to the library. It was in the drawing section and I wanted to see what type of art it contained. There weren't any drawings in it but there were tons of crafts, just like the name implies. I needed a mask for an English assignment and this book had a mask pattern so I figured I just got lucky by stumbling upon this book, however once I finished my mask I looked at some of the other crafts and knew that I needed to own this book, now I need to read the first one. This book is great for assignments or for some fun projects to take on and I am very happy that I decided to open that book.

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## **Lisa says**

If you think you'll be trapped in your house for a long while then this is the book for you! It will show you how to make things with all the stuff you can find in a vacuum bag. There are a handful of fun things to make, but overall it's just really weird. I'm giving it 3 stars instead of 1 because it did make me laugh and I have to give the author credit for being creative. I know if I had had a book like this as a kid I would have been a very happy camper.

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## **Jessica says**

Can't wait to try the Mother Nature Chandelier and the Fancy Fishbowl Lantern! Most projects use stuff that

you probably have around your house already. The How To photos are really helpful. There is lots of inspiration here!

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### **Marissa says**

I loved the first book this one just didn't do anything for me.... This one had a lot of wearables.... Also um what's up with his baby doll head fascination? I'm afraid he just decorates his house with them .....

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### **Emily says**

I've looked at this author's other craft/decorating books and some of his ideas are just plain weird. Even for me. And that is especially true here. There is an entire chapter devoted to crafts using doll's heads. And the doll-head night light isn't even in that chapter! Weird! And honestly, a little bit creepy.

There were a few projects that I liked or I could picture one of my crafting pals making. They are the Muffy Alexis headband (page 32), the zipper corset (page 44), the Pegasus weather vane (page 58), the twig address sign (page 64), and the vinyl computer sleeve (page 136).

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### **Carol says**

Most of the crafts in this book are a little too weird for me. Pretty sure I wouldn't get much sleep if I had a baby doll head night light in my room. There were a few that I would make for myself though and a few that I would use for teen programs at the library.

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