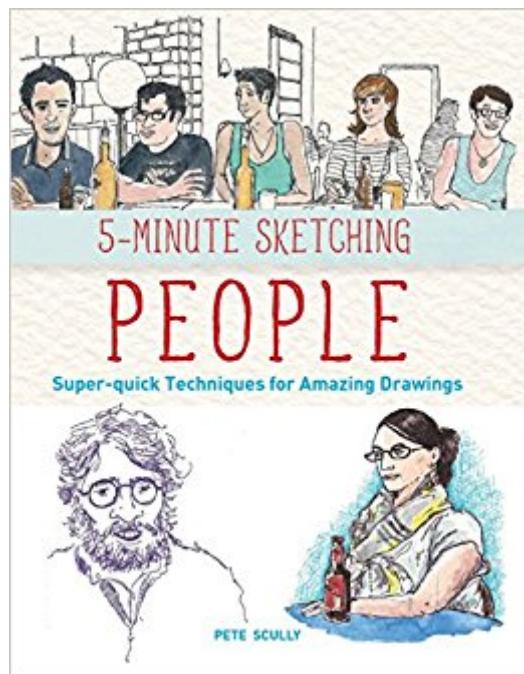


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5-Minute Sketching -- People: Super-quick Techniques For Amazing Drawings



Synopsis

Sketching has become an extremely popular pastime. For example, on YouTube, "Tips to Draw Better in 6 Minutes" has 1.7 million views, and "How to Draw Better in 2 Minutes", has 2 million views. Every day, the website @Sketch_Dailies tweets an "inspiration" to 45,000 followers who can upload their work for juried selection. Why the rage? Simply put, drawing is a fun, meaningful and inexpensive way to spend precious time. It's a renaissance of paper and pencil, an escape from digital overload.

5-Minute Sketching -- People can help artists of all abilities to nurture their creativity and to develop skills and speed. Each spread features six expert tips and ideas. Examples of amazing 5-minute sketches inspire readers who are short on time or short on ideas, showing how easy it is to make drawing a part of everyday life. There are tips on how to focus on the key elements of a scene, how to capture faces and features quickly, how a variety of techniques can help to create mood and movement. Here is some of what the book's four sections cover:

- How to See** -- Perspective, scale, foreshortening, viewpoint and resources distance, basic shapes, perfect profiles, proportion, facial features, hair, posture, composition, background, negative space, how to deconstruct figures and faces quickly
- Who to Draw** -- Passers-by, crowd scenes, commuters, children, urban scenes, conversation, quick direct poses, master poses (seated, repetitive, dynamic), dance, sports
- Useful Techniques** -- Basic shapes, proportion, minimal lines, loose lines, tight lines, thick lines, mark-making, contour drawing, negative space, shading hatching and crosshatching, scribbling, texture, shading, light, tonal values, contrast, color
- Tools and Materials** -- Ink, pencil, graphite, colored pencils, markers, paint, pastels, watercolor wash, paper, digital sketching.

Sketching has gone global. The Urban Sketchers community has 62 chapters around the world plus 42,000 members on Facebook and 8,200 Twitter followers. The actual number is surely higher.

5-Minute Sketching -- People is an ideal introduction to a rewarding pastime and a source of inspiration for new, experienced and lapsed sketchers alike.

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Urban sketcher Scully's book on drawing people includes four chapters on observation, subject matter, time-saving techniques, and supplies. Clear and catchy headings such as "hair in a hurry" describe short idea sections consisting of diagrammed examples and five brief tips. There are no step-by-step exercises, but instead many examples of sketches by a variety of artists with short explanations of methods used. This guide encourages readers to jump right in, providing the basics on composition; proportions of human faces and bodies; the details of facial features; and posture and portraiture. Discussion of technique focuses on speed. With this guide, anyone who wants to fit making art into their busy schedule will find ample inspiration and practical advice to make that happen. (Heather Halliday Library Journal 2017-02-02)

Pete Scully has been a correspondent for the global sketching phenomenon Urban Sketchers since 2008. A prolific artist, he gives talks about Urban Sketching across the United States, and his sketches have been featured in multiple books and exhibitions. He lives in California and is the author of four books.

The only thing this book needs to be perfect is to practice for you! Glad I bought it, though. Nice insights.

I have been a fan of Pete Scully's sketches for several years, so I was excited to learn more about his techniques for sketching people. This book is great for someone who is just starting to sketch and also for more experienced sketchers who would like to improve their ability to draw people quickly. The book is divided into many short sections, making it easy to read on the go. I was surprised by just how much information was covered in a book of this size.

I was really hesitant to buy this book - twenty bucks is a lot of money for me. But after reading the reviews, I was convinced that it would be worth the price of admission. I'm a "shade tree" artist and love to "urban sketch" people when I'm out and about. I'm being treated for breast cancer and

spend a lot of time in doctor's offices and in the chemo chair - perfect for people sketching. This book is so specific for what I do (and what I was looking for) that I don't regret spending the twenty bucks one little bit. Excellent explanations and examples, I can see myself referring to it until it falls apart. Pete Scully seems to have known exactly what I was looking for, and presented it in a way that I can immediately apply it to my sketching. It's kinda cool to start seeing results right away. Like I said, worth the price of admission.

I have been sketching for many years, but I have never been satisfied with my sketches of people. This book is the perfect balance of a tiny bit of basic necessary portrait proportions, and a lot of skills and tips for the urban sketching environment. I love it!

I wanted to see some step by step tutorials. Instead there is discussion of techniques and suggestions. Lots of examples though. The artist is good, I visited his work on the net. Just did not like the book. Same problem with the other book in this series.

Love this 5-Minute Sketching book. There is plenty of artwork and information about how to draw people correctly. This book is truly a learning experience and I am truly enjoying it. Pete Scully's artwork is great.

Great book!

Great book, different from other that only give you big highlights, this book develops chapters that give tips and space to practice. I feel my people sketch improve

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