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The 14TH EDITION of GARDNER'S ART THROUGH THE AGES provides you with a comprehensive, beautifully-illustrated tour of the world's great artistic traditions! Easy to read and understand, the fourteenth edition of the most widely-read art history book in the English language continues to evolve, providing a rich cultural backdrop for each of the covered periods and geographical locations, and incorporating new artists and art forms -- all reproduced according to the highest standards of clarity and color fidelity. A complete online environment, including all images and an eBook, is also available. The unique Scale feature will help you better visualize the actual size of the artworks shown in the book. A new timeline within each chapter, along with "The Big Picture" overviews at the end of every chapter, will help you review for exams.

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This book is required for my Art 101 class, which is clearly becoming a very demanding class, did not expect that from Art 101, however, this book will take you as far as 3000 BCE, it is well written and is enjoyable to read once you focus on it and are in a quiet area, you can actually time travel to these places, I am enjoying the Ancient Aegean chapter very much. Delivered this book in two days. Brand new book fully wrapped like a mummy. Shop with confidence.

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If you love to read about Art trends and evolution of the modern art and architecture this is the right book for you. The chapters neatly divided over Art eras cover everything you need to know about art in the past. I was fascinated to know about the Roman and Egyptian art trends, their burial traditions and interest in perfection is fascinating for me.

I used this textbook front to back like crazy for my Humanities credit and art history course. I don't know how else I would have gotten such a fantastic grade without this lifesaver with its pictures, visuals, and descriptions. Plenty of definitions too which was a must have for the vocabulary portions of exams.

I had to get this book in a few days and it is known for being super expensive because of the volume of the pages, but I got this one pronto and at a way lower price than what my school was trying to get me to pay. Bless! Five stars all the way!

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