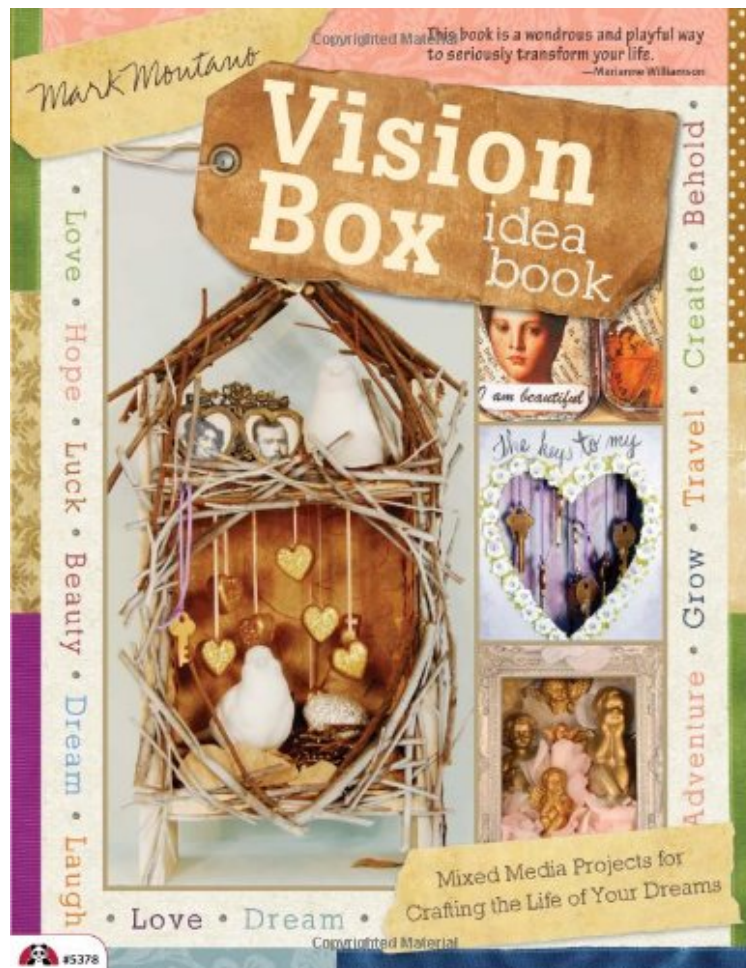


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Mark Montano : Vision Box Idea Book: Mixed Media Projects for Crafting the Life of Your Dreams (Design Originals) before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Vision Box Idea Book: Mixed Media Projects for Crafting the Life of Your Dreams (Design Originals):

3 of 3 people found the following review helpful. Another great book from Mark MontanoBy L. A. SmithMy copy of Mark Montano's Vision Box arrived on Friday, so I got to spend the weekend leafing through the pages, admiring the great photography, poring over the easy-to-follow instructions, and marveling at how he manages to fill this slender volume with so much creativity, inspiration, and joy. The book features 22 projects that you can recreate or riff on as

your own muse carries you away. The instructions for constructing a couple of basic box shapes are clear and concise. And the themes he explores for each project are perfect jumping off points for doing as the subtitle suggests and "crafting the life of your dreams." The idea of vision boxes gets right to the heart of what it is to be creative, to be an artist, and to be a person who wishes to look more deeply into what makes life interesting, exciting, and beautiful. Whether you need to capture a great idea, chronicle a grand adventure, mend a broken heart, or simply collect your thoughts in a whole new, visually tantalizing way, Mark Montano has you covered in this book. 7 of 7 people found the following review helpful. Definitely a Great Hands-On Art Book!! By Journalling Shannon I have two other Mark Montano books (The Big Ass Book of Crafts 1 and 2), so when I saw that this book was coming out, I got a copy without hesitation. I'm so glad that I have it - I have already spent hours going through the projects and making notes and building a couple of my own vision boxes. Mark Montano makes these projects all so "do-able" with his quirky stories and tips. It's pretty hard to read this book and NOT get right into making your own style of vision box. With tons of ideas on how to start, what materials to use (including inexpensive options!), and how to put your own individual twist on your vision box, this book really makes this artform accessible to everyone. Skilled artists and dabblers alike will be inspired and gently guided into making their own vision boxes. Oh, I almost forgot to mention the photos in the book - EVERY project is photographed and detailed so that you really can follow the steps to create your own. Definitely a great book for anyone who loves mixed media!! 6 of 6 people found the following review helpful. Incredibly Inspiring! By Kelli Barkema I adore this book almost as much as I adore Mark Montano! In this book, memory keeping has been taken to the next level. As a former scrapbooker who got a bit bored with what there was out there - this has revolutionized how I think about crafting my family's memories. One of my favorite things about Mark's projects is that I don't need to go to a fancy scrapbook store, or even spend any money. Mark is the master re-purposer and uses things you probably have lying around the house. In addition, the step-by-step instructions and fabulous pictures make this book uber-easy to use! You will be the envy of your friends when you display this ingenious mixed media (my favorite of all crafting) vision boxes!

Let Mark Montano be your crafty life coach as he guides you through 20 inspirational dream box projects. Each of Mark's charming projects will help you discover the inner self, acquire a sense of wonder, and provide inspiration.

I am always looking for fun and creative ways to display my "stuff", and Vision Box Ideas has definitely given me MANY ideas. (Now if only I had all the time in the world to do crafts!) The book is by Mark Montano. If his name sounds familiar to you (like it did to me!) it is because he was one of the designers on the TLC Show "While You Were Out" (which for a while was hosted by 2gether member Evan Farmer so I made sure to never miss an episode!) Vision Boxes are 3-D mixed media projects. The book shows you ways to make your own boxes or you can buy a deep frame at the craft store and work from that. (I think shadow boxes would probably also work.) There are a lot of cute ideas in the books with a list of supplies in order to duplicate them, but I think if I get around to making one of them I will modify it so it is more "me". The book is full color and shows images throughout the steps of creating the boxes so you can be sure not to "mess up" (however, a lot of times in crafts such as these it is often the things that are done as a mistake that really give the items a life and look of their own!) From the Back Cover Create an Inspirational Vision Box What is a Vision Box? A Vision Box is a 3-D mixed media art project that helps you focus on something important to you - very much like a Dream Board. Vision Boxes connect the spirit of creativity with life. Each of Mark's charming projects will help you discover your inner self, acquire a sense of wonder, and provide inspiration as you visualize your goal. Be empowered as you assemble your personal mojo into an individualized display of your life. Bring your mind, hands, and spirit into focus through the simple steps. Vision Boxes are unique and require no artistic training. Expand personal messages in your projects as you discover your hidden potential. Appreciate the special quality of your experience in the world as you create distinctive art and discover the infinite possibilities that spring from creativity. About the Author Mark Montano is the author of Big Ass Book of Crafts, Big Ass Book of Crafts #2, Big Ass Book of Home Decor, Pulp Fiction and others. He has been a contributing editor to CosmoGIRL! magazine and his weekly column, Make Your Mark appeared in more than 70 news papers across the country. His television credits include being a designer on While You Were Out (TLC), and She's Moving In (WE TV) as well as hosting 10 Years Younger (TLC) and My Celebrity Home (Style Network). He holds a Masters Degree from the Fashion Institute of Technology in New York City where he also runs a successful boutique.