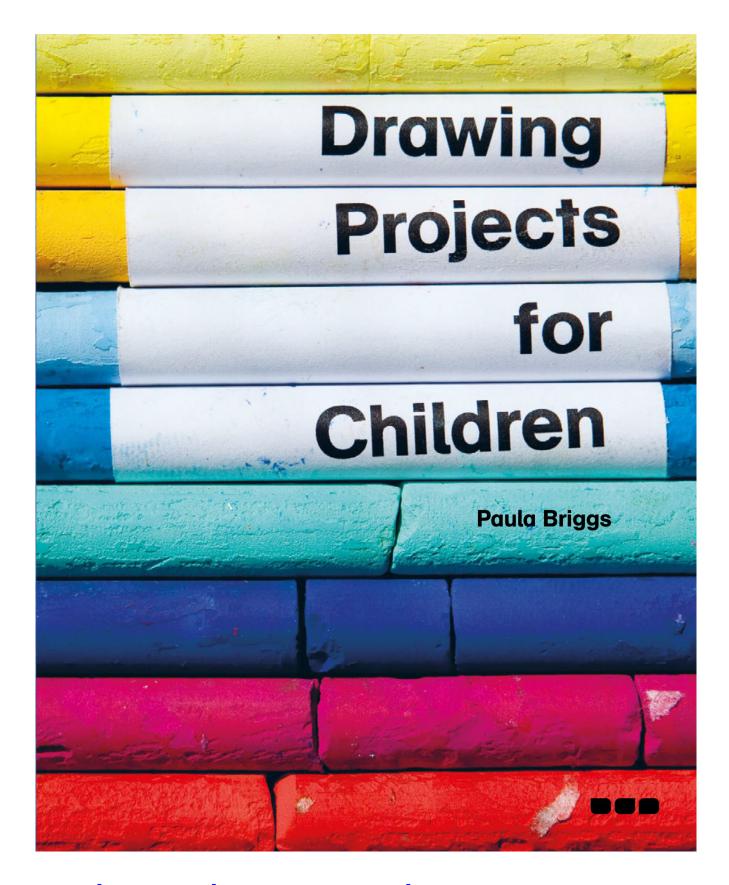
Two Beautiful Books to Inspire Teaching & Learning

Drawing Projects for Children and **Make Build Create** aim to inspire and enable children, teachers, facilitators and workshop leaders to explore drawing and sculpture in an active and adventurous way.

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Five Star Reviews of Make, Build, Create

★★★★★ Superb Introduction to Making

By Amazon Customer on 9 May 2016

This is a timely book and beautifully pitched. Paula Briggs manages to achieve a lovely balance in tone, creating a book which will appeal to children, without being patronising, but also one which will equally appeal to adults, whether they be parents or teachers or, even, inspired to have a go at making themselves. The book opens with a manifesto about making, which is a nice touch, and then a foreword where Briggs manages to get that tone just right, imploring children to take up making and realise their potential. The book then divides into sections on materials and projects. The materials section is extremely useful with clear instructions about how to use plaster, clay, glue guns and so on. Even quite young children should be able to access and understand it, such is the clarity of language employed, but this is clearly intended to help adults working with children. I think that it does this very well and can envisage a nervous teacher, with little experience, being much more confident as a result of reading this book. The projects section starts with quite open ended projects but then, as the book progresses, these become more specific; moving from 'Paper Manipulation', for example, to 'Wire Insects'. Again I think this is a success as it means that the appeal for the publication is broad. You might be a newly qualified primary teacher with very little experience and encouraged to let you children explore making, or a more experienced art practitioner looking for inspiration, both will be catered for here. Well done. An excellent introduction to the benefits of making.

*** A beautifully presented and 'open' book

By V. Brennan on 6 May 2016

A beautifully presented and 'open' book. Shared this book with my art teacher's network. I'm just about to start a project on treehouses with one of my classes so it arrived just in time to give me an extra boost. I'd say the aim of this book is to give you the confidence to try things out, and experiment and make mistakes. It's not a book of 'activities', it's a book of starting points on a creative journey.

** A brilliant book which children can easily follow alone or enjoy ...

By Tim Parsonson on 26 April 2016

A brilliant book which children can easily follow alone or enjoy using with parents. Uses innovative materials and more advanced mediums which children are not always exposed to, thus empowering them to create some of their best works. Thoughtfully written and illustrated by a true artist who treats children like little adults. We love it!

** Brilliant book

By A. Morrow on 22 April 2016

Another cracking book, lots of ideas that can be used as springboards to develop 3D work in the Primary classroom, After school club or at home.

Amanda Warren, NSEAD Network

Make Build Create is an inspiring book. Like its predecessor 'Drawing Projects for Children', it is beautifully produced, with beguiling photographs and a carefully laid out task which is easy to access whilst being packed with inspiration.

Based on the premise that children love to make things but probably are given insufficient opportunity, the book guides the reader through some basic premises (such as, "Why make?") and useful information about equipment and safe procedures. Some of the materials suggested may have been neglected in recent years (I confess it is a long time since I used plaster in powder form) and there are zany ideas, too. Making a plinth for a figure looks sure to appeal! And those wire insects! The photos can easily be shared with a group of children to inspire them or to illustrate processes.

My only query is who the book is aimed at. To begin with I thought it was a book for children, but the forward is definitely for teachers and facilitators. But does it really matter? The book is sumptuous, gorgeous and appealing. Paula Briggs has done it again; lets get making!

Amanda Morris-Drake, Darwin Centre for Young People

"Full of excellent ideas and beautifully presented"

Ros Corser

"Make Build Create by Paula Briggs is an informative and helpful manual which describes a series of creative sculptural projects designed to engage all. Beautiful photographs run throughout the book making it as visually appealing as it is inspiring. Thank you Paula for such an inspirational book, encouraging "hands on art" for everyone."