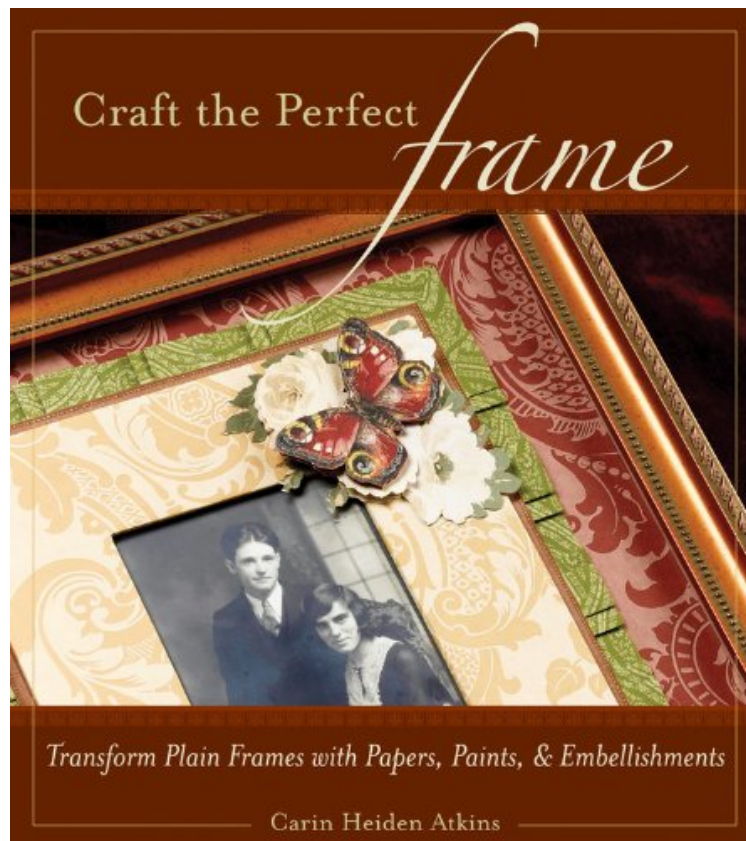


## Craft the Perfect Frame: Transform Plain Frames with Papers, Paints, Embellishments

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As author of this book and columnist for Create and Decorate Magazine anyone who is familiar with my work knows they can expect at least two things from me: great looking projects that are functional and fun to make and I tell it to you straight, meaning directions, information, and tips are easy to follow and understand. If you have never seen my work before here's a few things you can expect from this book.  
\* 25 elegant projects that use a wide variety of premade frames and different materials from paint to paper and a lot of embellishments in between.  
\* A variety of styles are represented from very simple to intricate. Modern, eclectic, whimsical, and elegant styles are well represented.  
\* Uses materials you can find in any general craft store like a Michaels, Hobby Lobby, Jo Ann's. Most scrapbooking stores might carry these supplies as well.  
\* Perfect for people who are interested in scrapbooking, paper crafting, general crafting, painting, fabric and/or ribbon addict, or people who want to test out their hidden creative abilities.  
\* This book caters to a beginning/intermediate level. Advanced talents might enjoy the book as well, and could just as easily alter the projects for your own taste.  
I hope you enjoy the book! It's high time to get those favorite pictures out of albums and dusty cardboard boxes and put them up on the wall and enjoy them in an artful way.  
Creatively yours,  
Carin Heiden Atkins  
Author Craft the Perfect Frame  
Columnist Create and Decorate Magazine

Craft the Perfect Frame presents 25 original projects to turn purchased frames into artistic decor accents and gifts. Crafters can create just the right settings for their favorite photographs, artwork, memorabilia, decorative objects, or scrapbook pages. Basic frames (plain, unfinished, shadow-box, or kit) and mattes are decorated with fabulous papers, specialty paints, and embellishments of all kinds. The step-by-step instructions and how-to photographs make it easy to create impressive results. Scrapbookers and crafters of all kinds will love these imaginative new ways to enjoy paper crafting, personalizing, and embellishing.

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