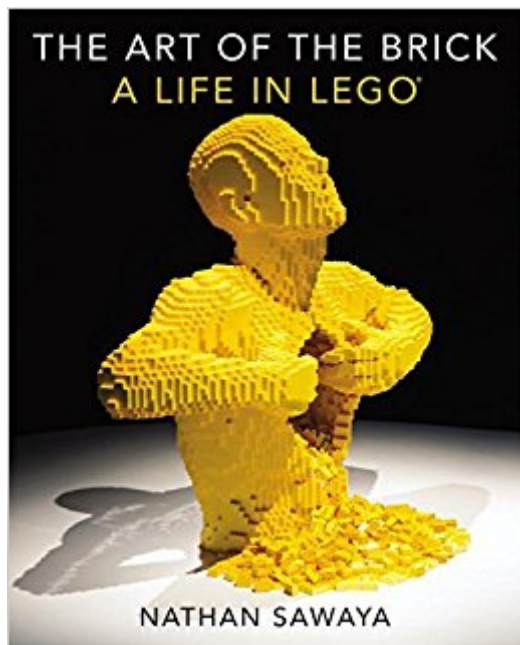


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# The Art Of The Brick: A Life In LEGO



## Synopsis

Nathan Sawaya is renowned for his incredible, sometimes surreal, sculptures and portraits—all made from LEGO bricks. The Art of the Brick is a stunning, full-color showcase of the work that has made Sawaya the world's most famous LEGO artist. Featuring hundreds of photos of his impressive art and behind-the-scenes details about how these creations came to be, The Art of the Brick is an inside look at how Sawaya transformed a toy into an art form. Follow one man's unique obsession and see the amazing places it has taken him.

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## Customer Reviews

Nathan Sawaya is the artist who first brought LEGO into the art world. He has more than 4 million tiny colored bricks in his New York and Los Angeles studios.

I saw this exhibit live, in Cincinnati in the winter of 2016. The pieces were so stunning, that I truly felt like I was in a museum. I took several pictures at the exhibit, but in describing the pieces to friends and co-workers, felt like I couldn't do the pieces justice. I purchased the book that showcased most of the pieces, and was pleasantly surprised to see the artist in progress, and thoughts and concepts behind the pieces. I highly recommend this book. It is great for people of all ages. It allows adults to stretch their minds to absorb the precise placement and designs, volume of pieces, and originality. It

allows children to believe that they can build absolutely anything that they can conceive in their minds. Big thumbs up!

I have been following Nathan Sawaya for the past five years. I love art although I have no real artistic talent myself. This book was amazing! It was an "easy read" as each picture (pictures were beautiful) explains its story...sometimes, over time, the meaning changes to the author. I loved his ability to explain each piece but at the same time, letting the reader know that at other times in his life, it has meant other things. I am an assistant supervisor of a vocational school in NY State (BOCES). I went around one morning showing the book to students and teachers and they were totally "awwwed" - One student said "Hey, Mrs. Cobb, do you think you could get him to come here?" I said, that would be awesome but I don't know about that - so what do you say Nathan Sawaya...do you want to do an exhibition at our facility? It is NORTHERN New York and a beautiful place to be on so many levels. I am so lucky to be a part of the lives of these amazing students day in and day out! You have no idea what you are missing, Mr. Sawaya. We have a very high poverty rate (although I don't know it off the top of my head) but I can tell you that "your" art already made a difference in the lives of these students just by me showing them your book. Imagine what it could do if you actually had an exhibition here!

This man is amazing! I went to his showing in Hollywood, FL about six or seven years ago and it was great. Most, if not all the pieces he had in the show are in this book including the yellow Lego guy on the front cover pulling open his chest. Very creative. Takes time and patience.

Purchased as a gift for Christmas for a grandchild. After looking at it, as neat as it is, I wouldn't recommend it for a child. It is more appropriate for older teen or adults who are interested in the history of each Lego design in the book. The pictures are beautiful and the stories interesting if you can appreciate it on that value. Very creative!

I gave this as a gift, but had to quickly flip through it to read and view the wonderful artistry and pictures of the Lego sculptures. My intended recipient loved it, has always been both a photographer and Lego builder and liked the marriage of the two. Recommend for artistic pictures as coffee book, and inspiration for adult Lego builders.

Had the opportunity to see his work at the Franklin Institute. It was simply fabulous. I just had to

purchase his book and I was not disappointed. I remain impressed by Sawaya creativity. I was captivated by the story behind each piece. Have shared the book with friends and family, they were all impressed.

We went to see the Lego exhibit at our museum and we all loved it. This book is based on what it in the exhibit. Great companion book for what you see. save your money and buy it from instead of at the show. Sorry to my museum for advising that.

My thanks to the artist for sharing his works and the inspirations behind his creations. Saw the Art Of The Brick exhibition and this book captures the feel of the exhibit perfectly.

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