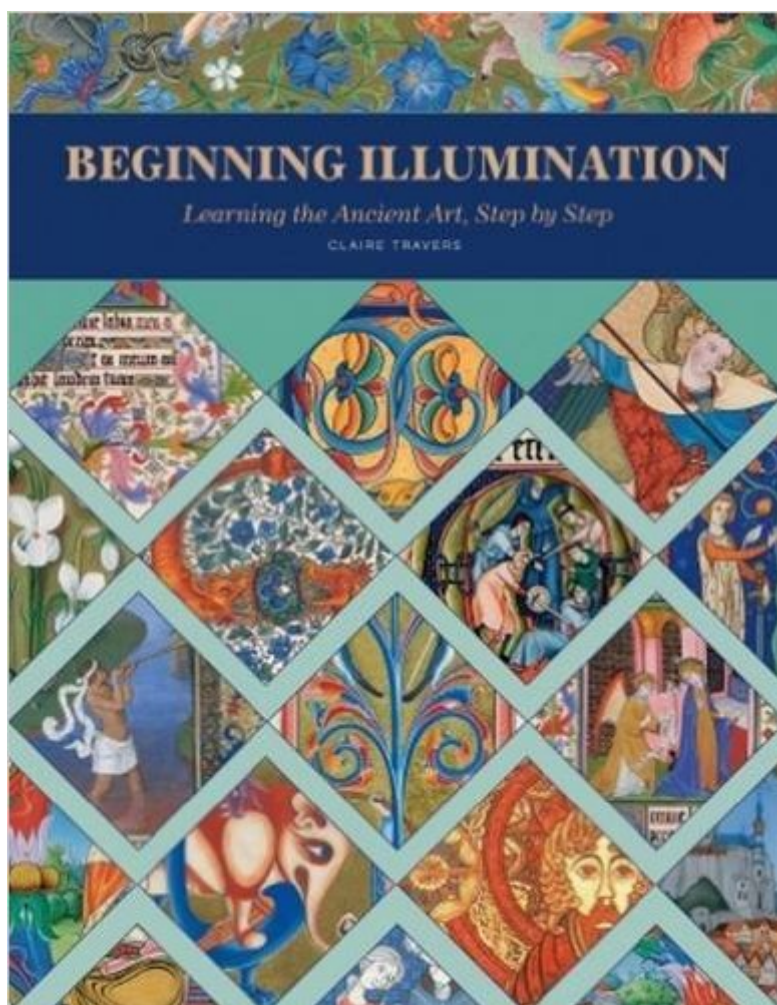


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# Beginning Illumination: Learning The Ancient Art, Step By Step



## Synopsis

This photo-filled guide offers you all the information you need to begin the fascinating ancient art of illumination, and then to improve your skills. A short history of the art, including photos of some of the world's great medieval masterpieces, gives you context, and then you're introduced to the materials and basic techniques. First learn the proper ways of preparing your parchment, selecting pigments, gilding, and using color. Next, the five steps of illuminating are clearly taught in detail, step by step. By learning to create friezes, detailed human faces, flourishes, creatures such as dragons and elephants, and much more, you'll discover a skill that has crossed the centuries. Today, illumination can be used to add a special flair to diplomas, invitations, family trees, or a memorable event like a wedding, a birthday, or an anniversary.

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Great book for beginning illuminators. Gives a good overview of techniques to apply gesso for building, make paint with pigments, layer colors, and take a project from pencil to finish. I liked the examples of colors from Medieval pigments. While certainly not exhaustive of period or modern techniques and materials, it's a great starting point.

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