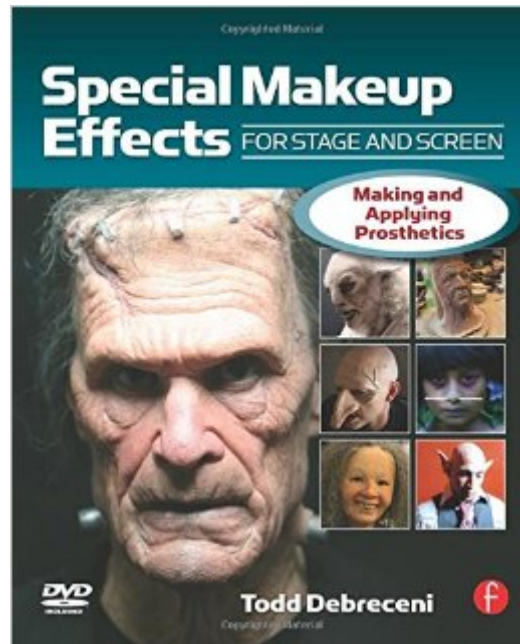


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# Special Makeup Effects For Stage And Screen: Making And Applying Prosthetics



## Synopsis

In the world of film and theatre, character transformation takes a lot of work, skill, and creativity. Dedicated solely to SFX, this book will show you tips and techniques from a seasoned SFX makeup artist with years of film, TV, and theatrical experience. Not only will this book take you through the many genres that need a special effects makeup artist, like horror, fantasy, and sci-fi, but it will also tell you about the tools you will need, how to maintain your toolkit, how to take care of the actor's skin, and how to airbrush properly when HD is involved. The author shows you how to sculpt and mold your own makeup prosthetics, focusing on how human anatomy relates to sculpture to create the most realistic effects. Case studies feature some of today's top makeup artists including Neill Gorton, Christopher Tucker, Miles Teves, Jordu Schell, Mark Alfrey, Matthew Mungle, Christien Tinsely, Vittorio Sodano, and Mark Gabarino. Put your new techniques into practice right away and see how some of the looks from the book were achieved with the step-by-step tutorials on the must-have DVD.

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Ok I just recieved my copy of the new Special Makeup Effects For Stage and Screen and I haven't slept in 29 hours lol. This is by far the best book I have ever bought. Want a conversion chart... its in the book. Want to know whether its best to use alcohol activated makeup for a certain piece or stick with grease paint... its in the book. Wonder which glue will hold down a certain material best... its in the book. Need to know the definition for terms in the book... ITS IN THE BOOK! lol Want a recipe to

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I have been doing special makeup effects for many, many years and have probably read most of the books on the subject. My first "book" was Dick Smith's Monster Makeup Handbook. I read it until the pages were tattered and torn and the staples finally fell out.When I decided to order this book, I expected to get another run-of-the-mill makeup handbook that might have a tidbit of information I could use. Boy, was I wrong! The information contained in this book would take the average makeup artist many YEARS to learn! This is the kind of information that most makeup artists only get if they're lucky enough to work in a top notch special effects shop - and that's pretty much impossible nowadays.Todd offers easy to understand, step by step instructions along with pictures of the processes. Did I mention it comes with a DVD? That alone is worth the price of the book.Other things I think you should know is that Todd explains what you SHOULDN'T do, and describes why some things you expect to work - won't. There are simple tips and tricks described that I didn't know - even after well over 25 years of being a special makeup effects artist. Incredible.If you are a novice - this should be your #1 makeup bible. If you're a pro - this should be the "go-to" book in your library.I can't promote this book enough. You just have to buy it. The information in it is worth double or triple the price.Did I mention it comes with a DVD?In closing, let me give you an idea of how well this book is put together: my 4-year old granddaughter will sit for hours looking at the pictures! She will even take it to bed and have me explain the makeup process. When I'm in my studio making prosthetics, she will ask me if did this or did that, to make sure I haven't missed something.

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