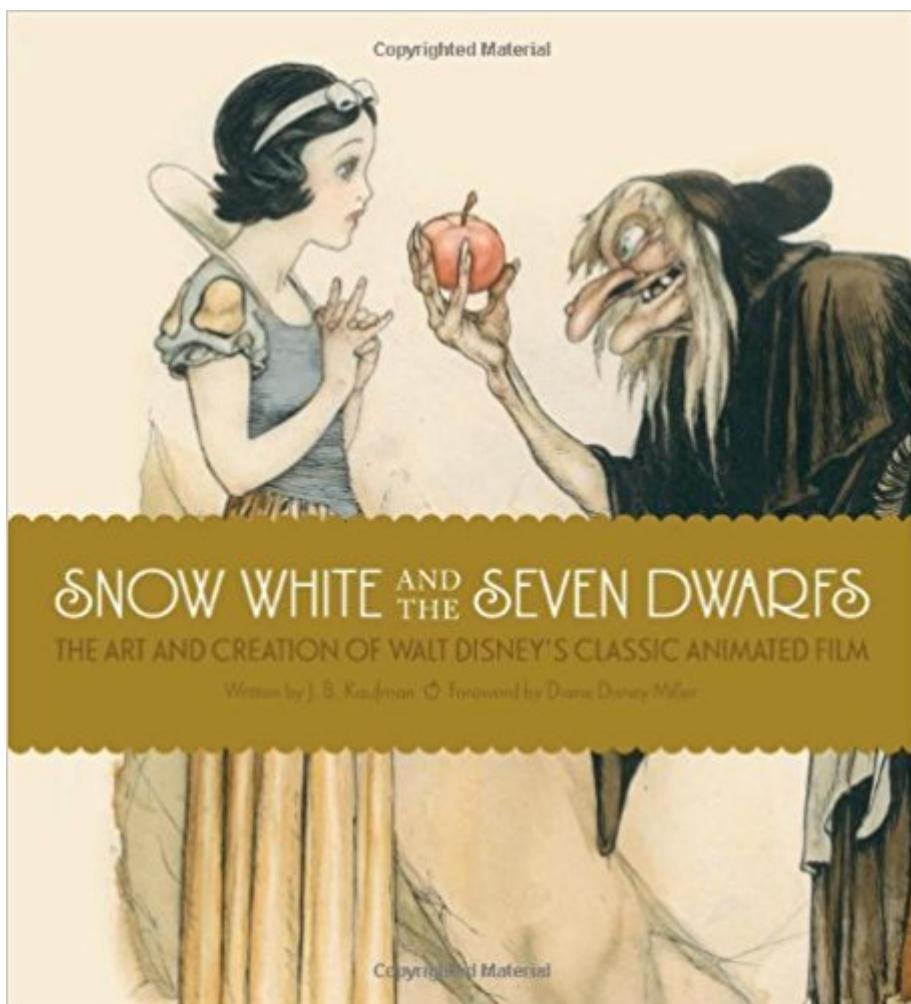


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# Snow White And The Seven Dwarfs: The Art And Creation Of Walt Disney's Classic Animated Film



## Synopsis

Released in 2012, in conjunction with the 75th anniversary of *Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs*, this book tells the fascinating story of the making of Walt Disney's groundbreaking animated classic. More than 250 artworks, including rarely seen concept sketches, background paintings, and cels illustrate the genius of Walt Disney and the creative vision of the artists who produced a beloved milestone in cinematic history. In 1933, Walt Disney was a rising star in the world of animation, just beginning to become a household name. Ambitious new ideas emerged from the Disney studio on a regular basis, and the film world waited eagerly to see what the creative young filmmaker would do next. The answer surprised them all: a full-length animated feature film, based on the traditional tale *Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs*. The production took three years and the talents of many of Hollywood's top artists . . . and, of course, created one of the best-loved classics of all time. This book, based on a ground-breaking exhibition of both familiar and never-before-seen art from the Walt Disney Animation Research Library, walks the reader scene by scene through the movie, accompanying the art with behind-the-scenes stories about the film's production. The book features over 200 pieces of art, many reproduced from original concept sketches, background paintings, and production cels, as well as alternate character concepts, deleted scenes, and step-by-step process shots.

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## Customer Reviews

"Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs: The Art and Creation of Walt Disney's Classic Animated Film is

filled with such detail, from the beginning of production in July 1934 to the completion in December 1937. This beautiful art book is also informative." (Fred Patten, Animation World Network)"Author J.B. Kaufman spent years researching the film's history, interviewing participants and studying the marvelous archival art that appears in these pages. The result is a work that can be appreciated equally as a piece of film history and as a collectible art book, a joy for anyone who loves film, animation and the magical world that Walt Disney created." (D23, The Official Disney Fan Club)"The most surprising thing about the catalog, is that if it had been handed to me without any hint that that "main book" (The Fairest One of All: The Making of Walt Disney's Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs) existed, I would have been convinced that this was the best art-book ever about the movie. That "catalog" is 256-page long and must contain about 600 illustrations, at least 30% of which I believe I had never seen before." (Didier Ghez, Disney History blog)

J.B. Kaufman is an author and film historian who has published extensively on topics including Disney animation and American silent film. He is the author of *South of the Border with Disney*, and coauthor, with Russell Merritt, of *Walt in Wonderland: The Silent Films of Walt Disney* (winner of the Kraszna-Krausz Award and the Society for Animation Studies' Norman McLaren-Evelyn Lambart Award, and chosen by *The New York Times* as a Notable Book of the Year), and *Walt Disney's Silly Symphonies*. He has also been a regular contributor to the Griffith Project at *Le Giornate del Cinema Muto*, the distinguished annual silent-film festival in Pordenone, Italy, and speaks frequently on Disney, silent film history, and related topics. The Walt Disney Family Museum was co-founded by Walt's daughter, Diane Disney Miller, and grandson, Walter Miller. Located in San Francisco, the museum is dedicated to sharing and celebrating the life, work and legacy of Walt Disney through innovative exhibits and programs.

From the time you hold this in your hands, the delicate-looking, ethereal, translucent quality of the drawing will... haunt you. It's beautiful, with lots of rarely-seen (and I've seen a lot of these, concerning Snow White,) photos and drawings, and for the price you can find it for new, here on ...All I can really say is that if you're reading a review of this, therefore have at least a decently strong inclination to purchase it, do yourself a favor and order it already. A fantastically rewarding purchase, and I haven't even read through all of the text yet. This is a fitting testament to the timelessness and mastery that we all miss from Disney, as a whole.

As an avid Disney geek and collector of original Disney art for over 30 years, I thought I knew

everything about the making of Snow White. Well, I was wrong and this book by J.B. Kaufman has taught me a great deal. After some background information on the Snow White fairy tale, each chapter examines all of the scenes and sequences of the film and explains how they came to be and how some did not make the final cut. Beautiful art is depicted throughout the book, of course, but the real value in this volume is the incredible amount of research Mr. Kaufman has put into his work. If you're a true Disney geek; you must have this book.

Anyone who is an animation buff, Disney-phile or just a kid at heart will love this book. It is beautifully compiled with numerous drawings, animation cells and inside information on the creation of an American classic of film history. It keeps the legend and love for Walt Disney alive.

This was published at the same time as a large Disney volume on Snow White. The other one is arranged more topically, this one more chronologically. I like this one better and don't miss the additional material. It delves into the animation process as well as development of the movie.

I like this book a lot. It has a lot of sketches, and pre sketches of the characters. My favorite ones are of snow white, and how they were going to draw her before. It's interesting to see how the character development changed. This is just like the art of Disney books, but a little more informative. It is also bigger than a typical art of disney book.

Like all of J.B. Kaufman's books this one is absolutely a pleasure to own and read. Clear, informative writing, beautiful pictures and photos, well printed and put together. He never disappoints me. "Snow White" is my favorite Disney film, and along with the book "The Fairest One of All", also by Kaufman, I found I love the film even more than I thought I did. Bravo to Mr. Kaufman!

Disneys first masterpiece and quite possibly still the masterpiece of Disney artists. Gives a good history of both the story and Walt Disneys venture into it. Early concepts, Finding the right dwarfs, etc. Shows the many steps taken from totally blank paper to the finished product. A lavishly colored and illustrated book. I highly recommend it.

I collect Snow White memorabilia. This is a nice addition to the collection

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