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# Steampunk Gear, Gadgets, And Gizmos: A Maker's Guide To Creating Modern Artifacts (Electronics)





# **Synopsis**

Unleash Your Inner Mechanical Mastermind Welcome to the wondrous world of Thomas Willeford, aka Lord Archibald "Feathers" Featherstone, in which he shares his closely guarded secrets of Steampunkery. Filled with do-it-yourself projects, Steampunk Gear, Gadgets, and Gizmos: A Maker's Guide to Creating Modern Artifacts shows you how to build exquisite, ingenious contraptions on a budget. Learn from Lord Featherstone as he distills his wealth of hard-learned skills, describes how to use the readily available tools of the modern mad scientist, and expounds on the art and philosophy of scavenging unique components and raw materials. The perfect companion for the hobbyist and advanced machinist alike, this inventive volume will guide you through the creation of your very own infernal devices. Get steamed with these provocative projects: Aetheric ray deflector solid brass goggles Calibrated indicator gauges Ferromagnetic self-scribing automated encyclopedia (or, the Steampunk book drive) High voltage electro-static cannon (or, the lamp gun) Tesla-pod chrono-static insulating field generator (or, the mobile device enclosure) Altitude mask with integrated respiratory augmentation Armoured pith helmet Mark I superior replacement arm with integrated Gatling gun attachment Visit the companion website, www.mhprofessional.com/steampunk, for videos, images, and more bonus content! Make Great Stuff! TAB, an imprint of McGraw-Hill Professional, is a leading publisher of DIY technology books for makers, hackers, and electronics hobbyists.

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## **Customer Reviews**

Thomas Willeford has degrees in physics, history, and art. His alter ego, Lord Archibald "Feathers" Featherstone, has displayed his work, which blurs the line between art and engineering, throughout the United States and Europe for years. Willefordâ ™s work (including the E-pod) was recently featured in the exhibit, â œDevice and Contraptions Extraordinaireâ • at the Ashmolean University of Oxford museum of the History of Science. He has made costume pieces for Abney Park, Beautiful Deadly Children, and GhostFire. Willeford has been called, "The most photographed person in the Steampunk community.â • He has been featured in Steampunk Bizarre, the BBC, MTV, the Steampunk Worldâ ™s Faire, Whitby Gothic Weekend, Glasgow Markerâ ™s Faire, Pirate magazine, and the Daily Mail.

The pages hidden between the lovely covers are full of fun and amazingly well layed out projects created, innovated and presented in a wonderfully easy to follow and incredibly well written and thought out style. Thomas Willeford is a name well know to most Steampunks and his skills and amazing style of art and crafting have generated incredibly beautiful wonders he freely share with the world. This book shows step by step how even novice makers can embrace their inner Steampunk and create not just Steampunk but costumes and accessories for any kind of Cosplay! And he's so cool in person He'll autograph your copy is you get to meet him at a Con! (But be cool in asking since he would be working). Thanks for both the cool books!!!! Oh Ya check out the other one too!

Steampunk Gear, Gadgets, and Gizmos: A Maker's Guide to Creating Modern ArtifactsI've bought lots of DIY books, and read many steampunk books. This book is simply amazing. It has beautiful step by step directions on how to build those impossible steampunk devises. I can not recommend it enough. Check out the table of contents. Then look at the detailed instructions, and the exquisite pictures and I'm sure you will agree. Even if you are not already a DIY person you will be tempted to try one of the simpler projects. If you're into steampunk you know you want to. Go a head, you don't have to be a "Girl Genius"

Thomas Willeford is unarguably the most photographed and talked about artist in the Steampunk Community. It's no surprise that his book is not only beautiful (well it does have Lady Clankington on the cover!) but it also has meat on it's bones. It's the maker's How-To Book and a must have for any proper Steampunk Library. Willeford's step-by-step, cautions and how-to hints are a treasure and

we are all the better for his opening the doors of Grimmelore Manor to show us what's inside that genius brain of his. I've been waiting for Book Two! Hope to see that soon.

I had gotten into Steampunk, somewhat, a few years ago. The concept always fascinated me as I grew up a Jules Verne and H.G. Wells fan. Their world of ideas was far-reaching, with wonderous concepts of what the future could be like, from a Victorian perspective. It's really remarkable how some of those concepts eventually materialized (portable wireless communication devices, flying machines, trips into outer space, etc.). The world of Steampunk brings much of that awe and wonder in design to our current modern world. It's nice to see the great "days gone by" living in front of us again. Sometimes, we must remember to give respect to our past, and sometimes, that past may have still bee the best or classiest way. This book - Steampunk Gear, Gadgets, And Gizmos - is a great look at the designs, and means to create and build your own, Steampunk styled stuff. Very detailed, and nicely put together. I think it had some 16 creation projects, and some other examples. If you're a Steampunk fan - either long term or just getting into it - this book is a nice start into the world of Victorian modernism. Plenty of enjoyment from it.

I you like Steampunk and building stuff then this is for you. This book contains 12 step-by-step projects for building your own steampunk artefacts from the essential goggles right up to a steam powered artificial arm with gatling gun. Ok, it's not really steam powered and the gun doesn't fire but it certainly looks the part so don't walk into a bank while wearing it !All the projects are designed to use common and affordable tools and if you are comfortable using those tools then you should be able to build these projects, especially if you start with the simple ones and work your way up from there. It is also well written and fun to read. Highly recommended.

I started getting into steampunk and wanted a book with some info to make steampunk accessories. This was exactly what I was looking for. It is not for a beginner maker but someone a bit more seasoned. Lots of good into and tips, will be build some of the complicated stuff soon.

I have made several of the projects in this book, and I love it! There are a few items listed to use, but Mr. Willeford makes it easy to either substitute with something else, using my own creativity, or providing the object. For example, the brass plumbing piece used to make the goggles is difficult to find, so he posted on his Facebook page that he would sell that piece! Also, the cannon on the helmet decoration can be substituted with a different item, or you can find a how-to video on

YouTube of Mr. W showing how to make a mini cannon out of a brass rod! How awesome is that!Also, the book has great information on Steampunk. I used the book as a reference for my research paper. Thomas is a great writer, artist, person, and I can't say enough good about him. :D

Very interesting book. Lots of good information and ideas.

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