

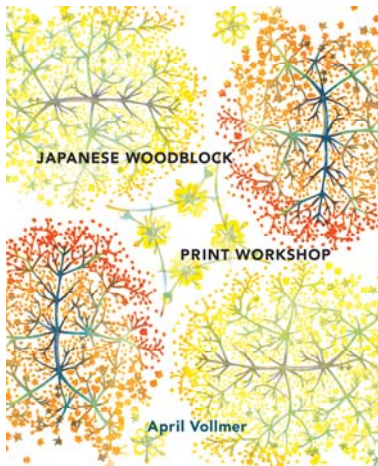


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The Japanese Woodblock Print Workshop

A Modern Guide

to the Ancient Art of Mokuhanga

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An increasingly popular yet age-old art form, Japanese woodblock printing (*mokuhanga*) is embraced for its non-toxic character, use of handmade materials, and easy integration with other printmaking techniques. In this gorgeous and gifty comprehensive guide, artist and printmaker April Vollmer—one of the best-known *mokuhanga* practitioners and instructors in the West—combines her deep knowledge of the historic printmaking practice with expert instruction and presents a collection of diverse and gorgeous prints by leading contemporary artists in the medium, as well as her own work. At once practical and inspirational, this handbook is as useful to serious printmakers and artists as it is to creative types who are drawn to Japanese history and aesthetics and are looking to experiment in other media.

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—Karen Kunc, Cather professor of art at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln

APRIL VOLLMER is an artist and printmaker living in New York City. She works primarily in *mokuhanga*, Japanese woodblock. In addition to exhibiting her work she teaches classes at workshops across the country. Her work has been published in journals including *Science*, *Printmaking Today*, and *Contemporary Impressions* and has been exhibited at AIR Gallery, the Islip Art Museum, Henry St. Settlement, and internationally.



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