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How To Make A Book Cover: A Fast, Easy Way To Create An Ebook Cover Using Microsoft PowerPoint Or OpenOffice Impress



Synopsis

Learn a fast, easy way to make a book cover for your ebook. This may seem hard to you, maybe even harder than writing the book, but it does not have to be hard. Using the technique in this book, creating a book cover can be fast, easy, and fun. This book will show you a quick way to make your ebook cover using Microsoft PowerPoint or the freeware OpenOffice Impress. Creating a book cover can be easy and cheap, even free. No need to do it the hard way, let me show you the easy way.

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Five stars for well-written and totally honest approach. Yes, I confess, I can't draw a stick figure. But Jimmy Clay showed me how to create Ebook covers! I am thankful for his insight, and practical approach to a perplexing world of design for Ebook covers.

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This is one of the very few How-To books that I simply loved from the first paragraph. It clearly states the purpose, i.e. how to use the technology without trying to teach art, and it admirably sticks to this goal throughout. The steps are orderly, systematic, and accompanied by graphics showing the relevant computer screens. I am pretty well acquainted with Power Point and judging by the authors instructions, I am confident that his treatment of Impress is no less exhaustive and systematic. I can promise that if you follow Mr. Clay's EASY guidelines, you will succeed in making your book cover graphics in no time. Bravo!!!

I did find this book had some good information, but I didn't like the author's approach. For some reason the author's teaching was by telling you how to design a duplicate of his covers - down to

colors, fonts, photos, etc. I want to make my own cover! Teach me instead what I need to do to customize my own look - the mechanics and what everything does. I ended up going through the tutorials and went to YouTube to fill in some of the gaps that this book didn't cover.

Jimmy Clay has written one for the ages! This book has impressed me with the simplicity of words to directions; not one word wasted or thrown in for fluff! Thanks for sharing this information Jimmy.

Since I mostly use Office 2010 and this book was published in 2012, I picked it because I figured the software he used would be the same as what I have, and it does appear to be. I had already learned how to make e-books on PowerPoint from an online article, but this book delves farther into the process. The e-article recommended changing the slide to 6 x 9, whereas this author recommends a very different size and backs up the reason for doing that quite convincingly. And, as it turns out, the size he recommends, when saved as a jpeg, gives you the number of pixels that KDP requires, so it works out quite well (especially since Office 2013 has eliminated the handy Windows Office Picture Manager that allowed you to adjust the size of the jpeg to the required number of pixels). This book was worth the 99 cents it cost for that tip alone. And since the lowest priced premade covers I've seen cost \$15, if you make just one cover from these instructions, you've come out ahead.

Thank you, Jimmy. I was able to take your book and create my first bookcover. It would be helpful to add a section on how to use Paint or other tools to resize the jpeg that is created in Powerpoint. Once I resized, my cover met the demands on the ebook website. My book is See You Now: A Memoir of Shane's Triumph Over SMA and it will be coming soon to ! Once again, I was in a bind to get the cover completed, and Jimmy Clay's book got me started in the right direction.

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