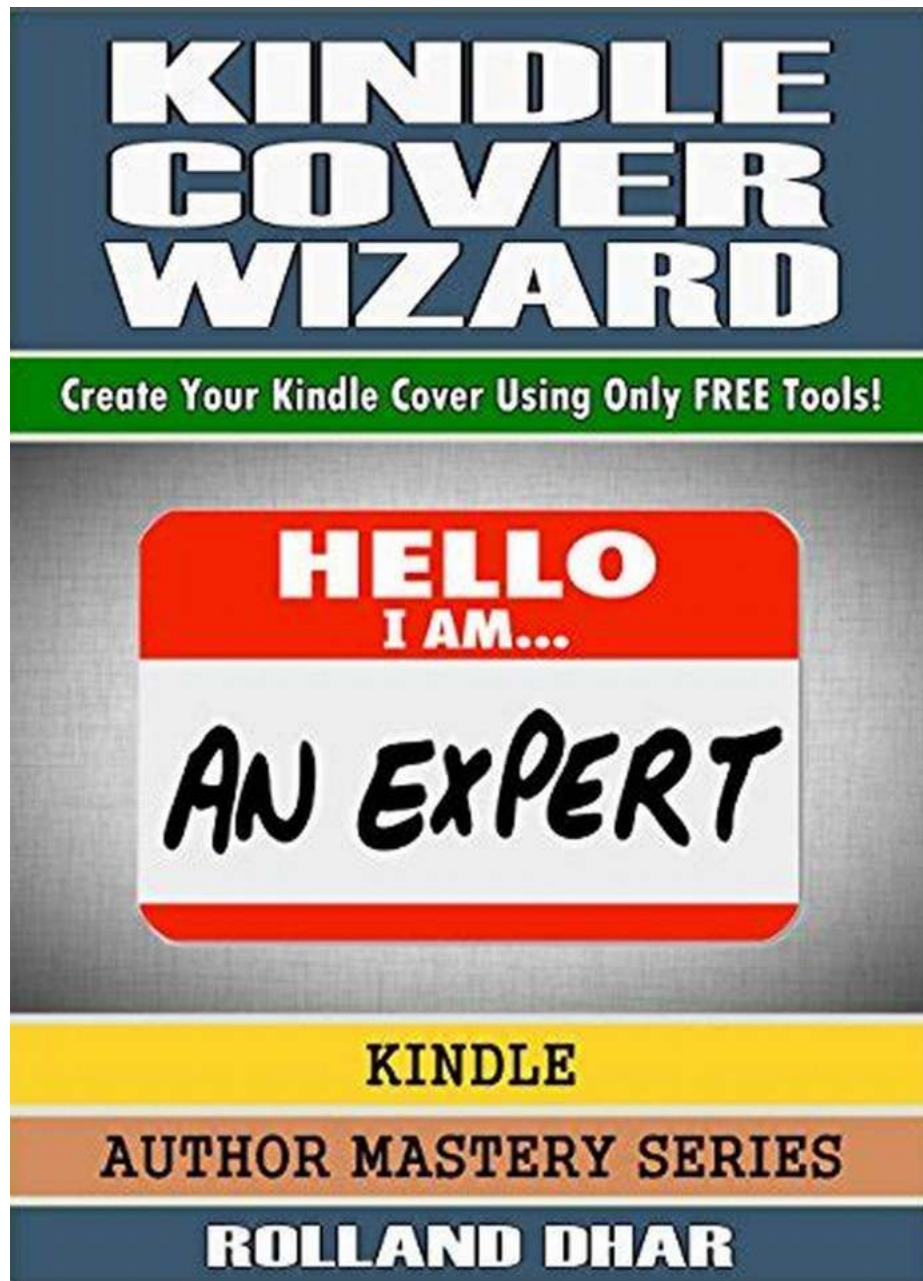


Create Your Cover Using Only Free Tools

Author Mastery Series



Are you an aspiring author looking to publish your book but struggling with the high costs of professional cover design services? Look no further! In this article, we will guide you through the process of creating a captivating book cover using only free tools.

The Importance of a Compelling Book Cover

We often judge a book by its cover, and the same goes for potential readers. A visually appealing book cover can attract attention, generate interest, and ultimately convince someone to pick up your book. It is the first impression readers get of your work, so it's crucial to make it memorable.



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While professional designers can create stunning book covers, not everyone has the budget to hire one. Thankfully, there are several free tools available that allow authors to design their own eye-catching covers.

Free Tools for Creating Beautiful Book Covers

Here are some of the best free tools you can use to design your book cover:

- **Canva:** Canva is a popular online graphic design platform that offers various templates, fonts, and graphics. It is user-friendly and requires no prior design experience.

- **GIMP:** GIMP is a free and powerful image editing software that rivals professional tools like Photoshop. It provides advanced editing capabilities and allows for complete customization.
- **Pixlr:** Pixlr is a web-based image editing tool that offers a range of features similar to GIMP. It has a user-friendly interface and is perfect for quick and easy cover designs.

Steps to Create Your Book Cover Using Free Tools

Now that you know about the tools, let's dive into the step-by-step process of creating your captivating book cover:

1. **Research:** Before starting the design process, conduct research on book covers in your genre. Take note of popular design elements and color schemes that attract your attention.
2. **Choose a tool:** Select a tool from the ones mentioned above based on your comfort level and requirements. Create an account if necessary.
3. **Select a template:** Browse through the available templates in your chosen tool and choose one that resonates with your book's genre and message.
4. **Add graphics and text:** Customize the template by adding relevant graphics, images, and text. Use high-quality images and fonts that align with your book's theme.
5. **Experiment and refine:** Play around with different elements, colors, and layouts to find the design that best represents your book. Don't be afraid to try new things and iterate.
6. **Review and finalize:** Once you are satisfied with the design, review it thoroughly for any errors or inconsistencies. Get feedback from friends or fellow authors, if possible.

7. **Export and save:** Export your design in the desired format (e.g., JPEG or PNG) and save it in a location where you can easily access it when needed.

Choosing the Right Images and Fonts

The images and fonts you choose for your book cover play a significant role in capturing the essence of your story. Here are some tips to help you make the right choices:

- **Images:** Select images that align with your book's genre and reflect its mood or theme. Ensure that the images are high-quality and evoke the desired emotions.
- **Fonts:** Choose fonts that are easy to read and match the tone of your book. Serif fonts are commonly used for traditional genres, while sans-serif fonts are popular for modern themes.

Creating a visually appealing book cover doesn't have to break the bank. With the help of free tools like Canva, GIMP, and Pixlr, you can design your own captivating cover that will attract readers and showcase your author mastery. Remember to research book cover designs in your genre, choose appropriate images and fonts, and iterate on your design until you are satisfied. So, why wait? Start creating your cover today!



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You may have tried the KDP cover creator, but found out that it only does marginally well at creating a nice looking cover. It's not bad, but it is free.

If you have someone else create your cover, you can buy them for as cheap as five bucks and they won't be awful, but you do get what you pay for. Pre-made covers are available for \$40 on up, but usually after you get it you can't customize it anymore and have to pay more - again - to make any changes.

And if you want a truly custom cover, then be prepared to spend a few hundred dollars!

So what do you do? Well, why not create your own cover.

If you have no graphic design skills or think that only experienced Photoshop owners can create great covers - think again!

In Kindle Cover Wizard, I walk you through creating a cover from scratch with completely free tools. The software, images, and fonts are all 100% free to use commercially - you just have to know where to find them. (Hint - I tell you!)

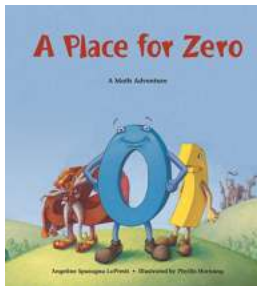
As a bonus, I also point you to a video series I created that walks you through by hand how I did everything in the book. Watch over my shoulder as I create a very

cool cover from scratch. And like I said, it's free to you for buying my book.

So after spending a few bucks on this book, put your wallet away! The rest is completely free. Really.

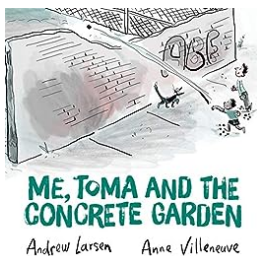
If you don't believe me, take a look at the cover of this book. It was created with the same tools and software that I mention in the book. And I created it all myself in under an hour. The best part is that I can change it anytime I want - and don't have to pay someone else to do that.

So grab a copy and start creating!



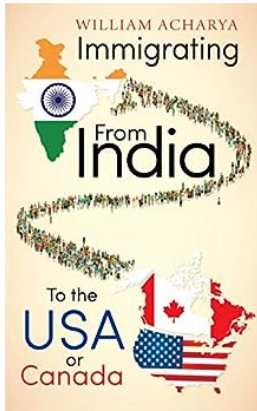
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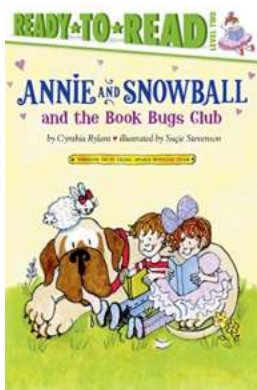
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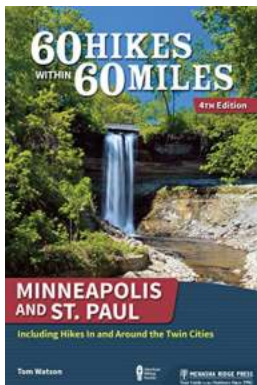
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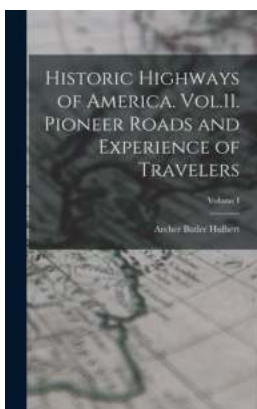
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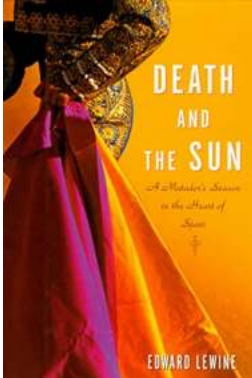
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Series A	Scaling the business and building out the sales and marketing teams.	Angel investors; venture capitalists.
Series B	Expanding the business into new markets and developing new products.	Venture capitalists; private equity firms.
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