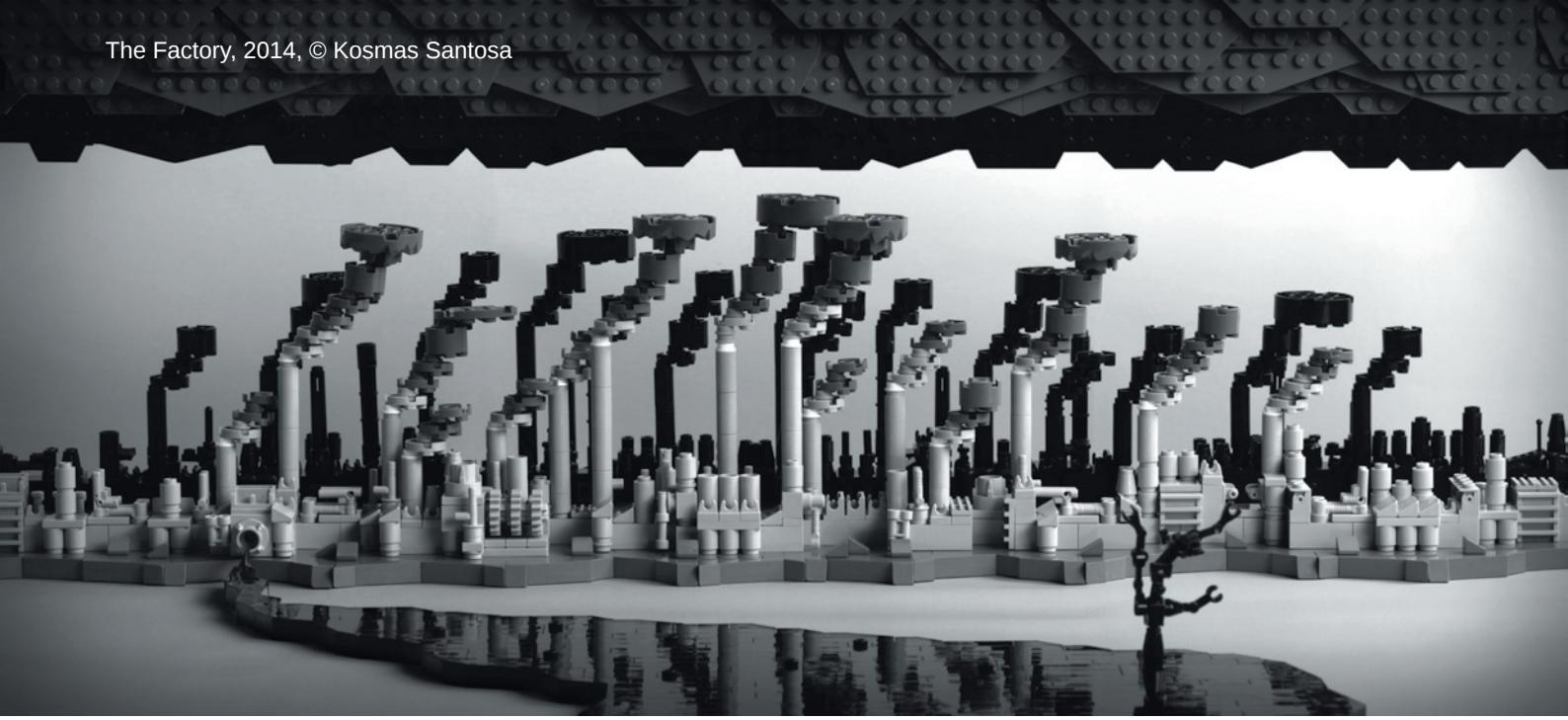


BEAUTIFUL LEGO® 2

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Review: Beautiful LEGO® 2: Dark

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Title: Beautiful LEGO 2: Dark

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This is not the first time we talk about Mike Doyle in our magazine. In previous issues we talked about his creations and also about the first volume of this book. No Starch Press has been kind enough to send us a copy of the second volume of Beautiful LEGO®.

This book is a little different from the usual books published about the world of LEGO bricks. It is not about building techniques, it doesn't include instructions, nor is an illustrated guide of minifigs or any of the LEGO lines, it is primarily a book of inspiration.

This carefully bound book has 325 pages, divided into chapters according to the theme of the photographs. At the end there is a complete index of the photos and their authors. Under the broad umbrella of the word "Dark", the author makes a journey through a fantastic collection of creations made with LEGO bricks that for sure will be attractive for both AFOLs and the uninitiated in this world, who will be attracted by the beauty of the images and the art they contain. The variety of creations is much greater than its title might lead to believe, and some chapters are memorable for their quality and originality.

Not much text, there are just some testimonies about their creations and hobby by some of the creators included in the book. You don't need more, the goal of the book is clear and the words are not necessary to admire its interior.

I must say that I was surprised that a few pages only include a photo in a very small size for the book format, leaving much blank on that page. I don't quite understand the reason and I think it's the only "but" I can put to the book. Including computer rendered creations can also be a questionable decision, but that I leave to the taste of the reader, personally it does not bother me in the least.

Therefore I find it very easy to recommend this book to all those who like to see true works of art made with LEGO bricks, or for those seeking inspiration for their own creations. It is a book beautifully crafted book with outstanding content.

Thanks to No Starch Press for the book and graphic material.
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