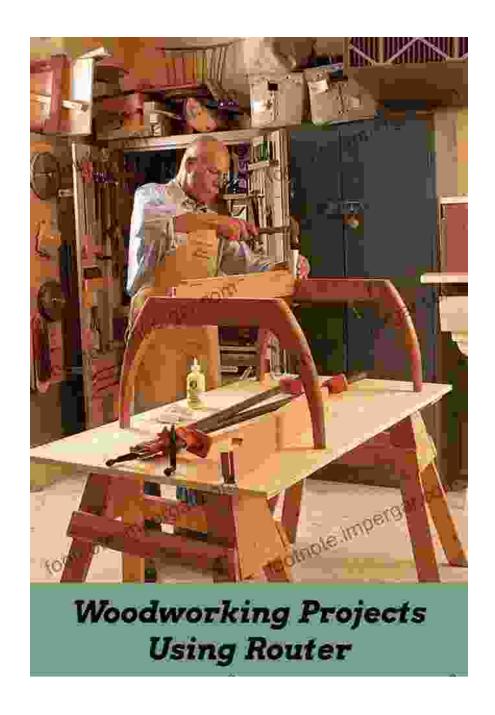
# Working By Hand And Discovering The Life You Are Meant To Live



In a world where screens and technology dominate our lives, we yearn for a deeper connection to ourselves, to our creativity, and to the tangible world around us. The act of working with our hands offers a powerful antidote to the challenges and distractions of modern life, inviting us to slow down, connect with our inner wisdom, and discover the life we were truly meant to live.

In her captivating book, "Working By Hand And Discovering The Life You Are Meant To Live," author and master craftsman, Sarah Jane Bosscher, shares her inspiring journey of self-discovery and empowerment through the transformative power of working with her hands. She weaves together personal anecdotes, practical exercises, and thought-provoking insights, guiding readers on a path to uncover their own unique talents, passions, and purpose.



### Making a Life: Working by Hand and Discovering the Life You Are Meant to Live by Melanie D. Falick

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#### **Reconnecting With Our Inner Craftsman**

Bosscher argues that working with our hands is not merely a hobby or a way to create beautiful objects, but a fundamental aspect of our humanity. It is through our hands that we connect with the physical world, express our

creativity, and bring our ideas to life. When we work with our hands, we tap into a deep wellspring of wisdom and creativity that resides within each of us.

Bosscher shares how, as a child, she found solace and fulfillment in working with her hands, creating intricate drawings and building miniature houses. However, as she grew older, she succumbed to the societal pressures to pursue a more traditional career path. It wasn't until later in life, when she rediscovered her passion for woodworking, that she realized the true power of working with her hands.

#### The Benefits of Working With Your Hands

The benefits of working with our hands extend far beyond the tangible objects we create. Bosscher outlines the multitude of ways in which hands on work can enrich our lives:

- Increased Creativity: Working with our hands stimulates both the left and right hemispheres of our brains, fostering creativity, problemsolving, and innovation.
- Enhanced Concentration: Engaging in hands-on activities requires focus and concentration, helping us to develop our attention spans and reduce stress.
- Greater Fulfillment: Creating something with our own hands provides a sense of accomplishment and fulfillment that cannot be matched by other activities.
- Improved Well-being: Working with our hands can be therapeutic, reducing stress, anxiety, and depression.

 Connection to Purpose: Through working with our hands, we can discover our unique talents and passions, leading us to a greater sense of purpose and fulfillment in life.

#### **Rediscovering Your Unique Talents**

Bosscher emphasizes that everyone has unique talents and abilities, waiting to be discovered. She encourages readers to explore different hands-on activities, such as woodworking, painting, pottery, gardening, or knitting, to identify what truly resonates with them.

Through a series of thought-provoking exercises, Bosscher guides readers on a journey of self-discovery, helping them to identify their strengths, passions, and values. She shares practical tips on how to overcome self-doubt, embrace mistakes, and persevere in the pursuit of their creative dreams.

#### **Building a Life of Meaning and Purpose**

Ultimately, Bosscher's book is about more than just working with your hands. It is about discovering your true calling, aligning your work with your passions, and creating a life that is authentically yours.

Bosscher shares inspiring stories of individuals who have transformed their lives through the power of working with their hands. From a former lawyer who became a successful potter to a stay-at-home mom who launched a thriving woodworking business, these stories demonstrate the transformative power of embracing our creativity and pursuing work that brings us deep fulfillment.

Bosscher provides concrete advice on how to transition to a more hands-on career, whether it's starting your own business, pursuing further education, or simply incorporating more hands-on activities into your daily life.

In a world that often values intellectual pursuits over manual labor, "Working By Hand And Discovering The Life You Are Meant To Live" is a refreshing and timely reminder of the profound power of working with our hands. Sarah Jane Bosscher's inspiring book is a roadmap to selfdiscovery, empowerment, and living a life filled with meaning and purpose.

Whether you are looking to rediscover your creative spark, find your true calling, or simply reconnect with the joy of creating, this book will ignite your passion for working with your hands and guide you on a journey of transformation and fulfillment.



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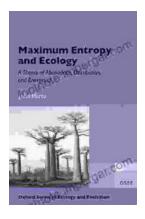


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