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Like so many other areas of life, the world of art has been turned on its head since the technological revolution took hold in the 20th Century.

You are no longer expected to fork out for canvases and drawing tools to pursue your artistic dreams. Instead you can load up a graphics application, fiddle with its tools and create a gorgeous creation that can be shared instantly with the rest of the world online.

Becoming the digital equivalent of Monet or Van Gough needn't take a lifetime of practice. Many of the

world's greatest digital innovators only made the switch to computer-based design very recently, proving how easy the medium can be to get into.

We feature some of the best graphics geniuses on the planet, showing you what can be done with a bit of artistic flair and a copy of a top Web graphics application. Programs such as Photoshop and Fireworks give you the power to transform dull, poor quality images into a thing of beauty.

Enjoy the sites and don't forget to write in with your recommendations to pwp@paragon.co.uk

BEATBOX.TV

www.beatbox.tv

We're amazed that human beatboxing has yet to be recognised as an Olympic sport. If you want to mimic the likes of Justin Timberlake and the bloke from Police Academy and master the art of knocking out a funky beat with your lips then look no further than this site. Beatbox.tv was created by BZ Productions and Berry Blanton, who combined Fireworks and Flash to present a series of slick video tutorials on beatboxing. The scrapbook-style graphics used on the site look great, and the only thing missing is a free cloth to wipe down your monitor after you've finished the video workshops.



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www.zanzinato.com

According to the prophetic motto of this Web design studio, 'design is love, and everything is designed'. There's plenty of evidence of passion in the work of Zanzinato, and you'll find beautifully presented examples of its efforts in the 'Our work' section of the site. The team use a variety of applications, including Photoshop, Flash and Illustrator to create glorious graphics for clients within a range of sectors, including software, technology, education and entertainment. The impeccably designed home page contains information on the agency's work, and is kept updated with a scrolling Flash news section.



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TOM OPASINSKI

www.tom-arthur-opasinski.com

Having been awarded the 2002 Photoshop Guru award from Photoshopworld, Tom Opasinski has gone from strength to strength, producing stunning graphical creations with mind-boggling regularity. You don't need to look any further than his home page for proof and the site bears testament to his undoubted talents. His compositions are paraded for all to see, and there's even a 'Download' section where you can get a slice of his work for use on your desktop. Our only criticism with Tom's site is the dark grey on black text he has opted for is a little difficult to read at times.



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