Web Design Tools and Techniques, résumé

This book is beautifully illustrated. It covers the entire spectrum of Web design techniques, from HTML and graphics, through JavaScript to Quicktime VR, XML, and database-based publishing. The problem is, it tries to cover too many topics with not enough depth. Web design is becoming so multifaceted that books that attempt to be comprehensive are either thick Bible-like tomes or cram too much into too little space.

Peter Kentie, who wrote the acclaimed "Web Graphics Tools and Techniques", takes a graphic designer's slant in this book on the art and science of Web design. Photoshop is emphasized throughout for graphics. Tools like GoLive and Filemaker are favored over hand coding. Mainly Kentie's advice is excellent but unfortunately he recommends fixed font and table sizes, which don't translate well into the ever-variable Web. Using variable sizes like EM and percentage widths are more user friendly.

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