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All around us we see internet web sites with product advertising and local media with commercials. We even see billboards, garage sale signs, and graffiti on walls and railroad cars that stand out because of their three dimensional lettering illusion.

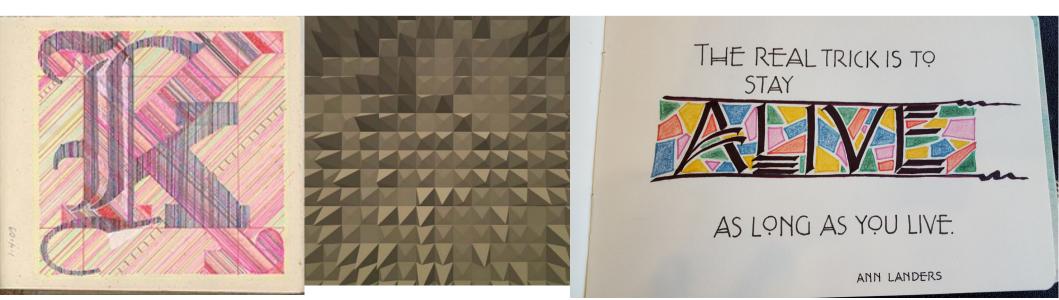
The traditional lettering arts with black ink on plain paper is good for books and newspapers. But if color is added, or the layout is uneven or slanted at an angle, then the lettering stands out on its own, and draws attention to it.

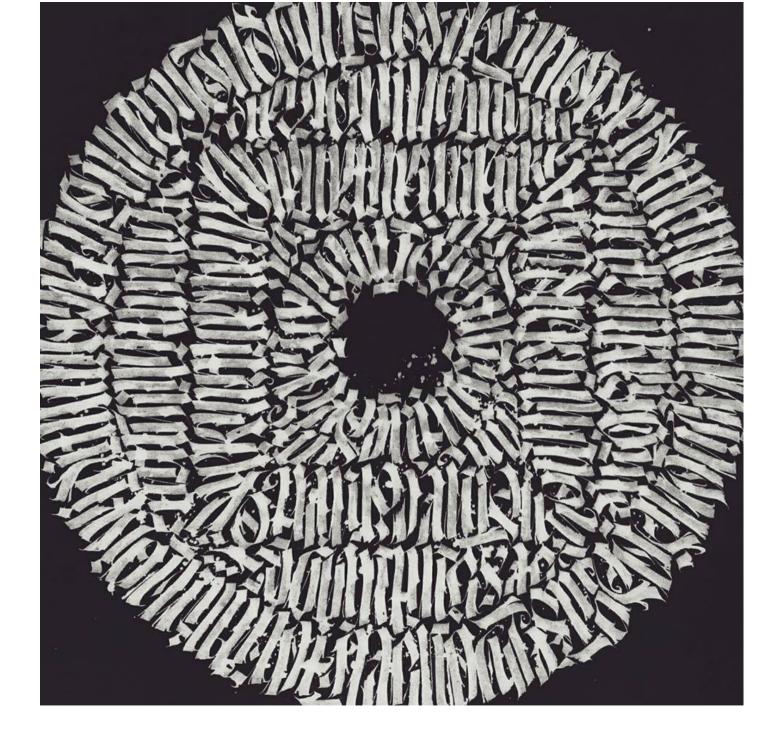
Looking at the old illuminated manuscripts with giant Versals and colorful borders will help to give you the basics of learning and creating your own 3-D Lettering Arts.

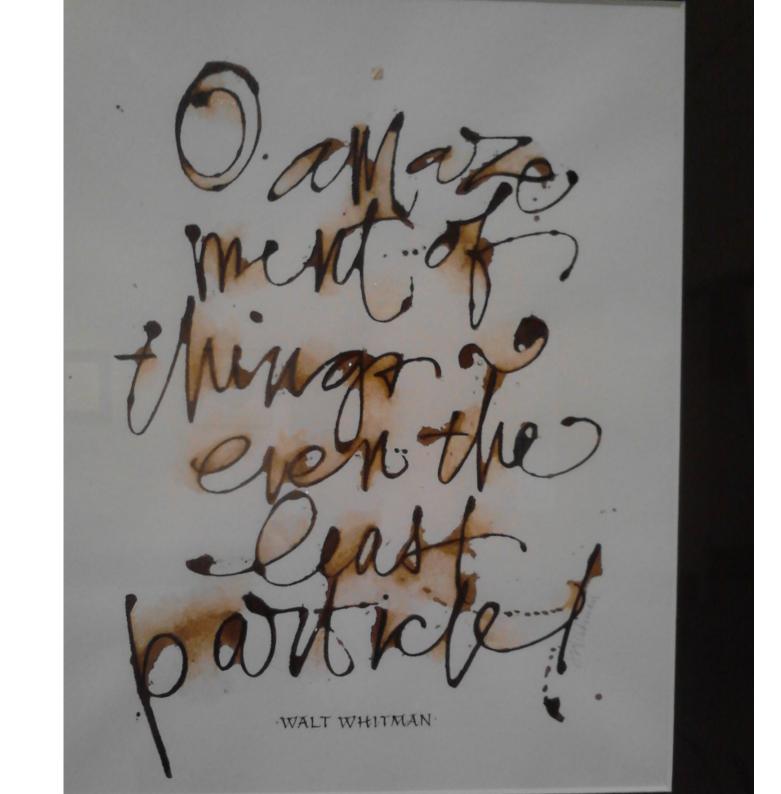




Lettering or designs that have an added dimension of shadows brings out that letter or symbol to appear in the foreground (3-D). One can also write your calligraphy in a constrasting color from the background. Similar to the idea of using woodcuts or rubber-stamps over papers.









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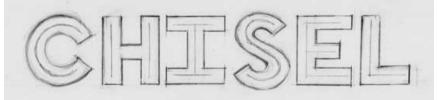
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#### **3-D** Chisel Letters

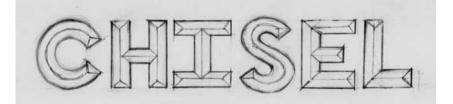
- a) Choose Roman block type letters
- b) Carefully draw the name or logo a bold font

c ) Add a center line to your letters which should not touch the edges of the letter, rather, leave some space because we will connect the corners to this center line at an angle

d) Choose the direction of the light source and shade the opposite two sides.



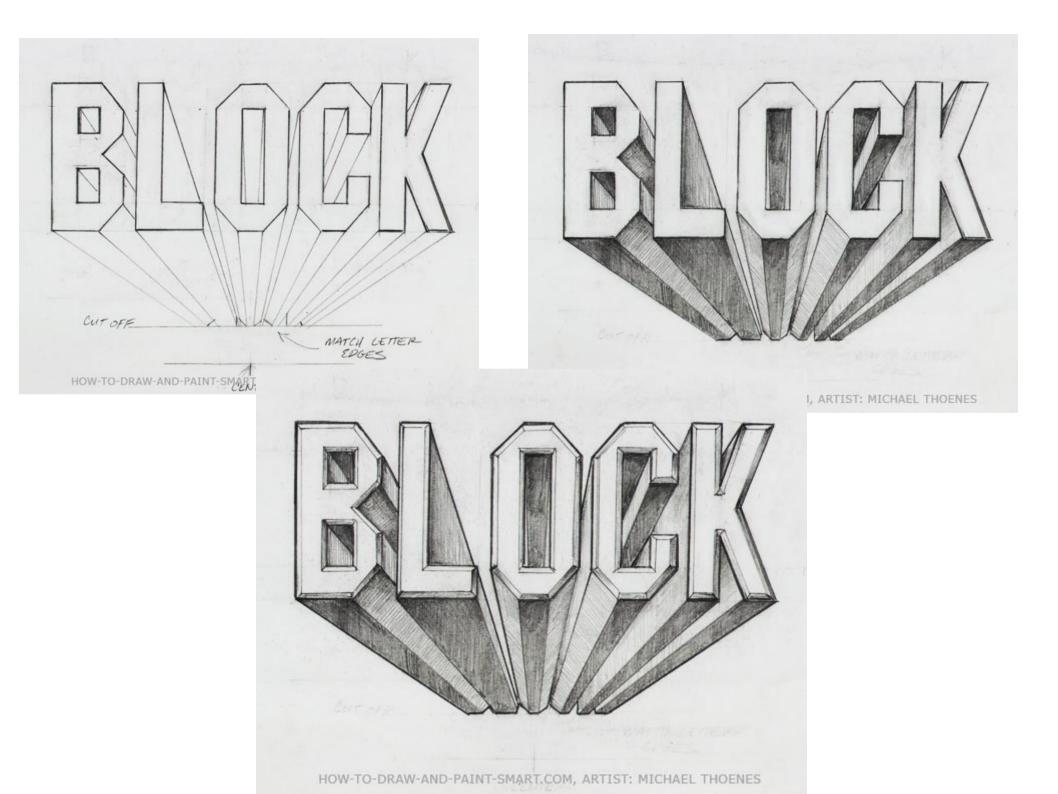
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