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Helen Cohen : Whimsical Elegance: The Costumed Cat Dolls of Helen Cohen before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Whimsical Elegance: The Costumed Cat Dolls of Helen Cohen:

1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. A treat for doll makers and doll lovers, costumers and cat fanciersBy SukkiThis book is a work of love by the author, the photographer and the publisher. A quick look says "whimsy"; further study reveals exquisitely detailed and historically accurate costumes on individualized figures, with the text providing the historical context.My eight and ten year old granddaughters and I read it together, laughing over the cats and pointing out to each other the delicious ornaments.This is serious work in a light-hearted presentation.Recommended for doll makers and doll lovers, costumers and cat fanciers of all ages1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. Pure eye candy! Imaginative!By Shari SheppardIf you are at all interested in costumes,

costuming, or any type of theatrical presentation this book is a delight. Doll lovers will especially drool over this one. Helen Cohen also includes a wonderful historical fashion glossary in the book along with specific information on each of her creations. Beautifully photographed. 1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. Gorgeous photography, lots of detail for costume designers By Elaine Walsh Beautiful photography and extremely interesting and detailed descriptions of the elaborate and historically accurate costumes. For someone who loves and makes art dolls, it is inspirational.

Doll artist, Helen Cohen, has created a cat fancy in *Whimsical Elegance* like no other! A self-taught doll maker and passionate costume and fashion aficionada for over forty years, she has made and sold numerous dolls, many of them during her twenty-two years as owner of *The Doll Lady*, a shop in Bucks County, Pennsylvania. Bringing fresh approaches to the creation of each figure, 20 of her miniature dolls were displayed in a custom-made dollhouse at the White House in 1981. Sophisticated and adult dolls in human proportions are shown in this collection, but with a twist CAT faces grace the pages along with a primary emphasis on historical fashion, representative of the 1500s through 1920. Each figure is unique, reflecting 31 variations on a theme. She focuses on her skill and experience in working with a wide variety of fabrics and generously imparts and shares helpful tips. The artistic color photographs by David Gehosky bring to life and into sharp focus her dazzling details, exuberant adornments, and embellishments, in concert with amazing fabrics on beautiful cat dolls. This exciting Cohen collection displays theatrical qualities, designed to offer a treasure trove of ideas and inspiration for anyone who enjoys costuming for dolls, puppets, marionettes, stuffed animals, or people.

About the Author Helen has created and sold a wide variety of dolls. Completely self-taught, many articles have featured her work. She resides in southeastern Pennsylvania with her husband, Gene.