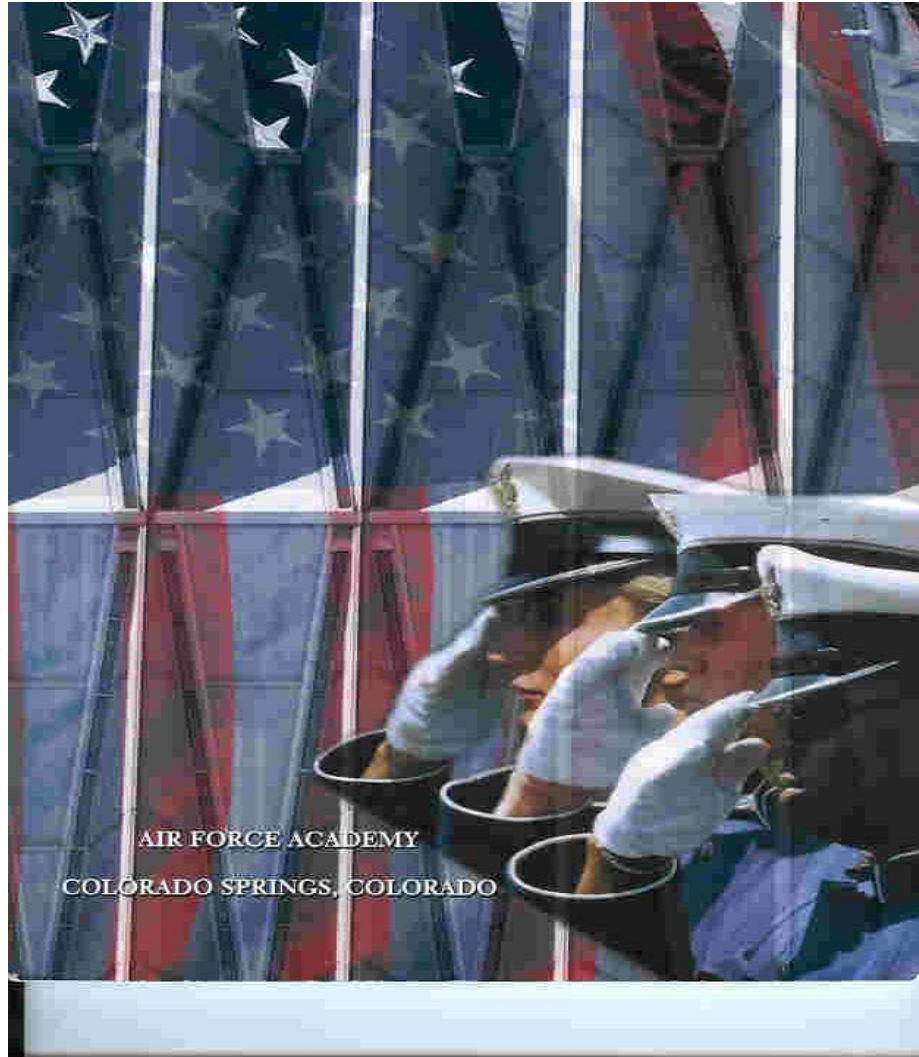


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Mood of Color



The Image above is the cover of the Air Force Academy in Colorado Springs, Colorado. I would say that this image covers incorporates desktop publishing and digital photography.

The image's colors communicate patriotism. From the colors of the flag to the colors of the uniform the image is strongly saying USA. The white of their hats and gloves symbolizes honor and dignity. Not to mention the flag itself and the meaning of the red, white, blue.

The three cadets have a serious expression on their faces. Their faces convey pride, loyalty, and respect. The three cadets are also different in race and gender symbolizing opportunity, unity, and equality. The cadets are also transparent and overlapped each on blending into the next communicating that they are a unit not three separate individuals. By the look of their faces you can almost imagine that the National Anthem is being played.

The background is also importing because it stands for establishment. The columns impart strength. It is also reflective communicating to everyone's own idea or dream that America means to them.

I believe that the designer has done what the Academy wanted and that is to attract young people to the institution. The designer has created an image that invites us to see what else the Air Force Academy can offer.