

My Ghostbusters 30th Anniversary Cover

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Who you gonna call? That's right . . . the Ghostbusters. For 30 years this movie has entertained people worldwide. So I made a special cover to celebrate this 30th anniversary.

I began by sketching the 4 Ghostbusters on 2 pieces of paper. I started by sketching the heads of Peter Venkman and Ray Stantz. Then I drew their flight suits and hands. The Ghostbusters logo on Peter's uniform was so small that it took a long time for me to get it right. Next came the fun part of drawing the Proton Gun and Proton Pack. Peter's Proton Gun was pretty easy to draw, even with all its tiny little details, though it still took me three hours. Ray's Proton Pack wasn't as hard to draw. Next, I added their hair and facial features. Once I was done drawing Ray and Peter, I put them aside for later.

On another piece of paper, I sketched Egon Spengler and Winston Zeddemore, starting with their heads and necks. After that, I drew Egon's hair, because I knew that it would take a while. Next was Winston's hair. I followed that up with their flight suits, Egon's glasses, eyes and nose, and Winston's facial features. Then I drew Egon's right hand holding his glasses. Drawing Egon's PKE Meter was really quite a challenge, because it was difficult making it look like it was discharging. Lastly, I drew Egon's logo, which, because it has no ghost, was much easier to draw than the other logos with the ghosts.



Now it was time to draw the Stay Puft Marshmallow Man. He is the only character in color on this cover. First came his head and hat, both of which I tried to make as marshmallow looking as possible. Next, I drew the rest of his body and arms, followed by his sailor suit and face. I had to make him look both angry and happy at the same time, which was NOT easy. To finish Mr. Stay Puft, I colored him in using the appropriate colors.

After scanning my drawings into the computer, I put them together to be printed on the envelopes. On the back of the envelopes, I included the Ghostbusters 30th Anniversary logo, which I found on the official Ghostbusters website.

On October 23, 2014, I took my 30th Anniversary Ghostbusters covers to the post office in La Crescenta and got them cancelled.

This article is dedicated to Harold Ramis, Bill Murray, Dan Aykroyd, and Ernie Hudson.