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Beginner's Guide To Creating Manga Art: Learn To Draw, Color And Design Characters



Synopsis

Bursting with knowledge and brilliant artwork, *Beginner's Guide to Creating Manga Art* offers a comprehensive, practical guide to this art form and is an unmissable title for anyone wanting to learn how to capture that classic manga style. *Beginner's Guide to Creating Manga Art* explores the core aspects of this artistic style and takes you through the process of designing manga- and anime-style characters from the initial concept to full-color images. The diversity of the authors featured in these pages offers an exciting blend of perspectives and techniques from around the world, with industry greats including Steven Cummings (an American comic book artist in Japan whose clients include Marvel and DC Comics) and Gonzalo Ordóñez (the author of *Legendary Visions: The Art of Genzoman*) among the leading names. These talented artists open a window into their world and present tutorials covering everything from drawing features, anatomy, and expressions to designing clothing, perfecting poses, and coloring characters with a mixture of traditional and digital artistic tools. Steven Cummings is an American comic book artist who has worked for the likes of DC Comics and Marvel Comics, and is currently a member of the famous Udon Entertainment team in Japan. Gonzalo Ordóñez specializes in manga characters and is the author of the popular book *Legendary Visions: The Art of Genzoman*.

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I will edit this review once I finish the book, but this is my initial assessment of this product. It's good but as others have said, I believe it's for someone with previous drawing experience. Not for beginners looking for helpful tutorials on creating their own characters. This is more like a study of the art style itself. While it doesn't have character analysis, it does have other forms of helpful advice and shown tutorials on how the artist created some of their characters. Steven explains that he asks himself questions about the character in order to make his initial sketch and move on from there. They don't go thoroughly in depth on character construction, but it's a nice book. Packaging was the best, but the quick shipping made up for that. Plus my item came thankfully without a mark.

This book is excellent! I give it 5/5 reason is because the book is so detailed the only thing that wasn't was the eyes... i mean still everything in the book is amazing! the tip they give you and all the goods they show you... even coloring.. EVEN CRAYON COLORING!!!!.. The cons for this book is probably the eyes... not very detailed on how to start it!

This book was a huge hit with my 11 year old anime-obsessed niece. She already has some drawing and coloring skills so this just enhances it and provides inspiration. It's a great buy!

This book is awesome. Great for inspiration for artists new to Manga or even those looking for some pointers. There are wonderful ideas in here and it really dives in to several other artists work, their tips and tricks. What I love most about this book is that it offers different types of art styles and coloring options.

I was so pleased with the book, not only its contents but also the quality of the paper and the print. Gives you the basics of drawing a complete manga character from head to tow. Also there're 11 different characters to draw as a project, starts from sketching to coloring. The first 8 projects are done traditionally, and only three were digitally painted (with photoshop). I wished if they're mostly focusing on digital painting instead of traditionally, but it's up to me whether I want to color the characters digitally or traditionally. I love the book and it needs a lot of work and practice.

Book arrived in great condition and is not only a high quality publication, but a fantastic addition to my art book collection. If your a fan of manga, you should definitely add the this little gem of quick education and beautiful art work to your collection. Sidenote: this kind of publicaton is more suited for a more knowledgeable and/or advanced artist/illustrator, rather than a fresh out the gate beginner to the art of manga or drawing.

This book is great for beginners but don't expect it to spoon feed you with steps. There is steps in the beginning of the book that shows you how to draw a face in frontal and profile and how to draw eyes. But it doesn't have steps to draw the body (at least not in the same way as they did for the head). The artist giving tutorials do talk about their process, materials, and tips that they use. Overall, it's a nice book, just not for those that need to be spoon feed the steps (just saying).

Extremely useful and aesthetically elegant, the best that I can recommend to my students and friends!

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