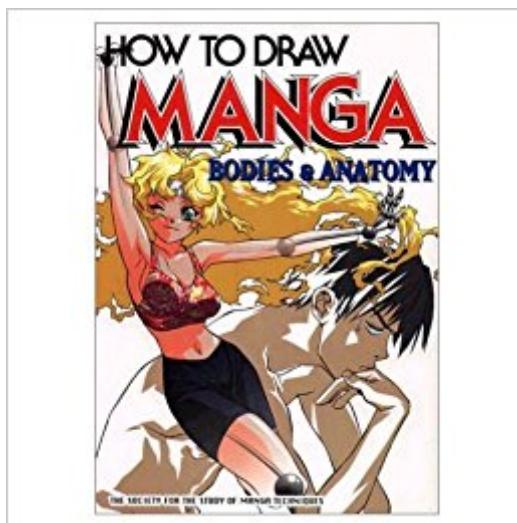


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I have eleven How to Draw Manga books, and have been using them to guide my illustration techniques and general knowledge. I set out looking to draw people, specifically female characters, for the purpose of creating product renderings specific to military, LEO, and combat attire. After checking into several figure drawing books and disliking nearly all of them I finally decided to give this book a try. Here is what I found: The How to Draw Manga series won't tell you how to draw. You have to find your own way to use the information in these books and without a specific goal and a lot of practice you're not going to get your money's worth. This book in particular contains a lot of fleshed-out images of people in a variety of positions along with "wireframe" illustrations. These "wireframes" (my term, not the book's) break down the anatomical parts into basic shapes, then positions them according to the fully fleshed-out image next to them. This allows you to practice by

drawing the wireframes and adding detail from there. The fleshed-out imagery consist of naked females and guys in underwear, which is weird for an anatomy book because I would have expected everyone to be naked. However, nudity is limited to butts and nipples, as it is assumed you actually will use these on your characters and won't be needing explanations of how to draw genitalia. I basically went through this whole book and replicated all the wireframes, which built up my ability to draw a proportionally accurate figure with no detail. I then moved to More How to Draw Manga 4: Mastering Bishoujo Characters (go to that product for my review of it) and found that I was able to jump right into working on final character drawings. I'll come back to this book in the future for reference and to practice drawing nude/semi-nude figures with an emphasis on bone and muscle contours. In all I like this book and am very happy I found a use for it. Some people don't like it because it's not "how to draw, but with a good approach you can find the best way to apply this book to your drawing skills. Some people are also unhappy about the nudity, but frankly I'd be shocked if it didn't have any nudity. In all it is definitely a top-notch resource for learning to draw the human form.

It's great! This book is for a more realistic type of manga. Nevertheless really enjoyed the product

I like the detailed instructions and the various styles shown. This has explanations of how anatomy would work, making it very easy to create characters and scenes based on realistic movement that is believable. Great for aspiring manga artists.

This book explains the way muscles and body parts correspond to one another in actions and poses very well. Short tidbits give insight on overlooked details such as when the outlines of bones are revealed or hidden, or the small webbing between fingers, and much more. There is some nudity but that is all part of art and helps give you a better understanding. I recommend reading this and not just looking at it for the pictures.

Very good illustrations.

Great series to follow for beginning and intermediate artists. I loved all the angles of bodies they provided in the book, as well as guidelines for proper portion.

Good book for basics. After all, to get the form down even if it's not anatomically correct comes from

basics. Picasso as a child mastered the art of drawing first before he eventually went into abstract. Yes, the women in this book are depicted virtually nude, whereas the men have briefs drawn in. Nevertheless, female characters are more popular and more widely drawn in both manga and anime. You also probably don't want your characters to all look like the old astro boy; so as I said, basics are good and this book helps with drawing until you can develop your own style. Good Luck

I had read a lot of reviews about this book, and nudity was mentioned quite a bit. If you have ever been to a life drawing class you would have seen some of these views of nude bodies. I can see why some folks were surprised by the poses, but when you sit in a circle around a live model at class you don't get to pick your view, and sometimes you end up drawing some interesting parts in strange perspectives. I really needed a reference book for drawing bodies for manga characters, so this was exactly what I was looking for. The detail really helps me a lot.

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