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Manga Magic: How To Draw And Color Mythical And Fantasy Characters



Synopsis

What do you get when you cross popular manga style with legends of mythology and folklore? Manga Magic! In this one-of-a-kind guide, beloved and prolific manga artist Supittha "Annie" Bunyapen (a.k.a. Ecthelian on deviantART) shows you how to put original spins on popular fantasy figures and creatures, with insight on everything from what they wear to where they dwell. Inside, you'll learn how to: Develop fantastic characters--from basic anatomy to important details like hair and skin tones. Design costumes fit for a goddess (or fairy, or Pan, or what-have-you) right down to armor, jewelry and footwear. Color with confidence. Achieve various results using basic watercolor techniques, special effects and markers. Set the scene with great backgrounds--from aerial views to underwater scenes. Bring it all together, step by step. 20+ start-to-finish demos feature a variety of mythic characters, from wood nymphs and Golem, to multiple gods and goddesses. Whether you base your characters on traditional Greek mythology, Japanese folklore or fantastical renditions of your own imagining, this guide will lead you step by step through the creation of your own magical manga worlds!

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Customer Reviews

Supittha "Annie" Bunyapen, South Carolina, is a prolific, young manga artist of Thai decent and author of best-selling Shojo Wonder Manga (IMPACT, 2011). Known as Ecthelian on deviantART, her site has received more than 2.6 million pageviews as of September 2015.

Great book!!!!!!

Don't waste your money this book does not show you how to draw or color. Instead it promotes the artwork of the author. And the text is way too small for a book that size. I should have known better when only 6 people like it.

Get it for learning how to watercolor, not for how to draw. 1-2 pages on subjects like body types and clothing wrinkles barely scratch the surface of how to draw, but the watercolor step-by-steps are fantastic.

I was pretty shocked to get this early in the mail! This book is amazing and it has several watercolor painting tutorials. However, this book is not a how to draw manga book, which was fine with me. If you are looking for a book that explains painting with watercolors I would recommend this book to anyone that is a fan of fantasy or manga style art. This book is really helpful if you have some background knowledge in painting because it is one step up from a beginner's tutorial painting book. If you are a beginner, you might want to pick up this book to have on hand once you get better. :) Also this tutorial painting book covers fantasy based artwork so it's pretty true to the title of the book. The tutorial steps are not as long compared to Shoji Wonder Manga Art school but I think that is because Echthelien uses more layers with Copic markers to get textures or certain shades of color through blending. If you are looking for a how to draw or use Copic markers tutorial book, you should pick up Echthelien's other book Shoji Wonder Manga Art School. What does this book cover:-Watercolor Painting Techniques-Tools-Eastern and Western Fantasy Characters (The book focuses on characters more than background settings.)-A Mix of Backgrounds, Anatomy, ETC.-There is more but I don't want to spoil it for you all. :) I hope this helps anyone interested in picking up this book.

Great book on learning watercolor techniques! Great for experienced artists who want to try a new medium.

Great! Very helpful in learning how to draw Manga characters. 4.5 stars

Lovely pictures and the details are great. Wish it had more content in it.

Awesome!

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