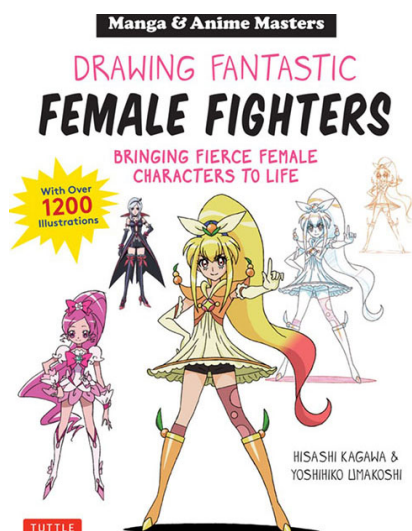


Manga and Anime Masters: Drawing Fantastic Female Fighters

Bringing fierce female characters to life

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Description

With a focus on technique, authors and professional animators Yoshihiko Umakoshi and Hisashi Kagawa teach you the essential skills required to create your own storyboards and action scenes featuring fierce female characters.

Helpful sidebars and tips appear in dialogue bubbles throughout this book, as the artists guide aspiring illustrators from initial ideas to finished artworks, pointing out common missteps and pitfalls that can easily frustrate beginners along the way. The essential techniques and design elements needed to create engaging female-led battle scenes are first reviewed in detail, then the author walks the reader through their entire creative process of developing an original story from beginning to end. Along the way, the authors give you hundreds of helpful tips on how to create compelling characters and render realistic expressions and poses, showing you how practised professionals work.

Starting from a storyboard sequence of simple sketches you'll progress to a polished finished drawing. With two different styles and approaches to the subject you will emerge doubly prepared to create scenes, stories and battle heroines of their own.

About the Author

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