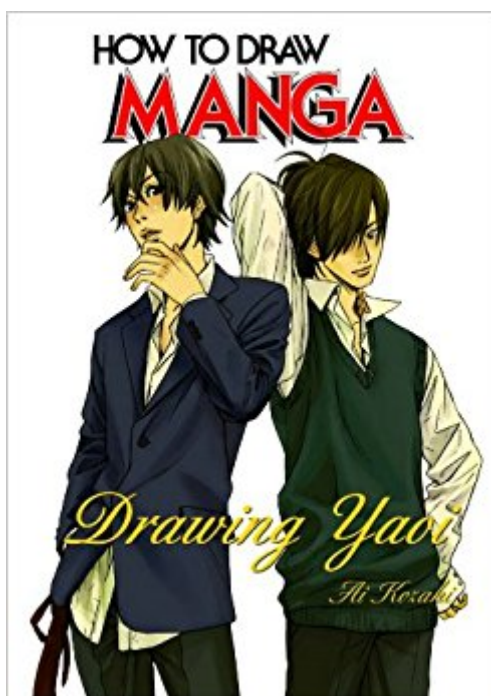


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# How To Draw Manga Volume 42: Drawing Yaoi (How To Draw Manga) (v. 42)



## Synopsis

This book introduces the techniques needed to draw the ultimate bishonen (literally, "beautiful boys"), vital to Yaoi manga and presents how to draw the typically delicately delineated bishonen characters. Illustrations accompany the carefully explained, step-by-step drawing processes, which are designed to give even beginners a clear understanding of everything from bishonen sketching basics to practical application. Trends in design are also traced, exploring characters from the 1960s, including the work of Shotaro Ishinomori; characters from the 1970s as represented in Keiko Takemiya's *The Song of the Wind and Trees*; characters from the 1980s, including from the Captain Tsubasa series; and characters from the 1990s up to the present. Eight styles of reflecting today's characters that represent a blend of such works as *Jojo's Bizarre Adventure*, *Death Note* and *Psycho*, are presented along with specific sample works.

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## Customer Reviews

This book is pretty fabulous, I wasn't seeking it for the yaoi either, but to expand my use of male form in cartooning. This book accomplishes that, and more~It contains in depth construction tutorials on the youthful male figure, with great attention to hands and feet, with one of the "How to Draw" series better examples of under drawing and figure construction for proportion and foreshortening. An added bonus are a few guides on how to incorporate or depict interactions with objects in the hand, more elaborate clothing section, and a great amount of detail on shoes. The glove and glasses pages are nice, and overall the book is more about constructing a character's appearance and mannerisms for use driving a story. Also giving examples of how to utilize the same

information in a broad range of graphic styles. There is a cute little history lesson on stylization too, which is sort of fun. If you were looking for something sexually explicit, this isn't the book for you, there is one diagram to show how licking should work (with ice cream) and one page showing how faces interact when kissing, but that is it besides the normal figures depicted in underwear you always see for anatomy lessons. If you want a book on specific male romantic interactions there is photo reference and a tutorial on how to incorporate that in the Drawing Bishonen book that can get more explicit ~How To Draw Manga: Drawing Bishonen If you are interested in yaoi for yaoi's sake, pick up both as a set.

I found this book very helpful for learning to draw the male form. There were actually only about six pages or so that had yaoi-scenarios towards the end, but that is easily overlooked when you consider all the other information it has for you. After all, if you can't draw guys in the first place then drawing BL is even more difficult. Which makes all the great drawings this has and the instructions that go with an absolute must-have. And if you think of those six pages as stepping-stones or starting points to give you a little inspiration then you're good to go!

More like a how-to draw guys rather than yaoi. Was hoping for posing tip, how to emote scenes. Shipping was fast.

However, it should not have "Drawing Yaoi" in its title. I agree with most of the people who reviewed this book, this is clearly a great guide to drawing nice looking boys but there is virtually nothing provided to help you draw yaoi. Also, not worth over 30.00. If you pay 50 or more, you will be disappointed!!

This book is an excellent resource for drawing yaoi manga in every style since the genre's beginnings. It has dozens of examples of anatomy and clothing to create any kind of character.

But that has been said a million times. What I wanted was more tips on how to draw, and I like the steps in this better than the How to Draw Manga: Male Characters. It gives you a load of tips to prevent you from going into all those amateur (like me) pitfalls, tips I would have never dreamed of. A bit misleading, but if you want to draw bishounen, this is a good start.

I am so glad I bought this book. But not because of yaoi, to be honest I am really not a fan. I

assumed this book would have a lot of male reference.... and it does, which will make drawing somewhat afemmine guys easier. If you want to buy it for the yaoi.... this will be a let down there is like two pages of yaoi and one of the pages are more like brotherly like interaction. But good book none the less.

While I have found that this book is quite informative and lots of fun as far as drawing bishonen (aka "Attractive Men/Boys"), I was rather dissapointed in it's actual info information on drawing YAOI, which is what it was created for. There are only 3 actual pages that show two guys together, (which is the nature of yaoi) and they're just full of reference images, but little instruction... /:All in all, if you want an excellent book on drawing pretty boys, and a cute bishonen-themed side-story, this is the book for you. But if you want to learn to draw two men together, you'd be better off with "How To Draw Manga: Drawing Bishonen", which features a LOT of yaoi, despite not being a book meant for it. Or even "How To Draw Manga: Portraying Couples", and I haven't yet purchased it, but Botan Yamada's "Let's Draw Yaoi!" looks promising. Cheers!

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