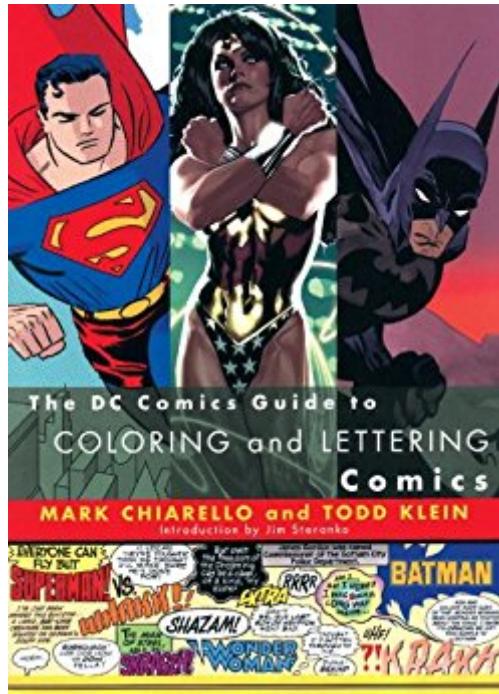


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# The DC Comics Guide To Coloring And Lettering Comics



## **Synopsis**

Acclaimed artists Mark Chiarello and Todd Klein demystify these essential steps in traditional graphic storytelling. Chiarello explains the entire coloring process, from computer and software choice to creating color effects that give the action its maximum impact. Klein discusses whether to letter by hand or by computer—“a hotly debated topic among working letterers”—and demonstrates an array of techniques for creating word balloons, fonts, logos, and much more.

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Just to start off - if you are just beginning to learn how to do computer coloring, DO NOT buy this book. Not yet, at least. The DC Comics Guide to Coloring and Lettering Comics is not written for the novice, but seems largely aimed at those who have had at least some experience with coloring before. While I'm sure I'll get some use out of this book later on, right now it is simply sitting on my shelf, unused, next to my other computer coloring books. The DC Comics Guides are always interesting, but they never offer what is really needed - hands-on examples and tutorials. Computer coloring is difficult enough - especially in the early stages when you are trying to isolate your line art and get it ready for coloring in the first place (this can be a highly difficult and, indeed, frustrating

process) and you need a book that will hold your hand through the process. The DC Comics Guide to Coloring and Lettering is, unfortunately, not that book. While DC certainly means well, trying to publish useful books with their brand name to get a foothold in the "How to Draw" market, they haven't yet hit upon a successful formula in my opinion. Why isn't this book successful, you ask? First, the lack of "how tos". There is really not one part of this book that offers tutorials with step-by-step instructions and screen shots to help you out. This is a book on the theory of coloring - in other words, once you know what you're doing, it will teach you how to improve, create subtlety, select the right colors and effects, etc. It is a finesse book, for those who want to add that extra something to their work. For those of us who are still on the first level, learning what to do, this book is a ways ahead of us. This goes for the "lettering" portion of this book as well.

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