



to all our fans, **ROB and Mark**

A SKIN GRAFT Features Syndicate
TRUE ART FAIR
BY ROB SYERS and MARK FISCHER



FOSTER BROTH: ASPIRING CARTOONIST by Huge Hefner & Dick Van Lesbian



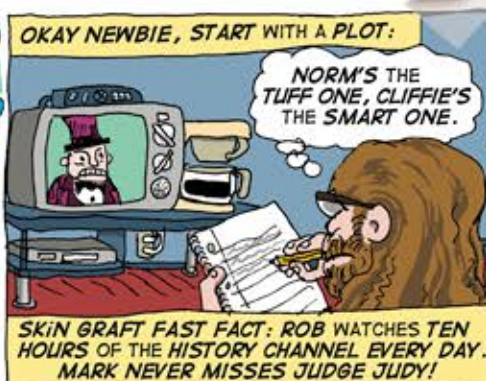
HI, I'M ROB SYERS. AND I'M MARK FISCHER.
WE'VE BEEN DOING COMICS FOR TWENTY YEARS AS SKIN GRAFT COMICS. NOW YOU TELL US YOU WANNA MAKE COMICS TOO?



ASK YOURSELF THIS IMPORTANT QUESTION:
AM I MAN ENOUGH TO ENTER A FIELD THAT WOULD PUT ME IN DIRECT COMPETITION WITH THE SKIN GRAFT GUYS?



HOW TO DRAW COMICS THE SKIN GRAFT WAY?
TOOLS OF THE TRADE:
Coffee maker BFA Cable TV computer with internet
New Goo's Archie Swipe file paper something to draw with



OKAY NEWBIE, START WITH A PLOT:
NORM'S THE TUFF ONE, CLIFFIE'S THE SMART ONE.
SKIN GRAFT FAST FACT: ROB WATCHES TEN HOURS OF THE HISTORY CHANNEL EVERY DAY. MARK NEVER MISSES JUDGE JUDY!



GOT YOUR PLOT? GOOD, THINK ABOUT IT WHILE YOU BREW MORE COFFEE.
BUILD A SHELF OR SOMETHING THAT YOUR WIFE BOUGHT FROM IKEA.



IF WORKING WITH A PARTNER, DISCUSS THE STORY TO WORK OUT ANY PROBLEMS.
YEAH, I'VE SEEN THAT EPISODE. INSTEAD OF HAVING HIM PUT TOO MUCH SOAP IN THE WASHING MACHINE, LET'S MAKE IT THE DISHWASHER.



AFTER SCREWING AROUND FOR A WHILE, TAKE THE PLOT OUTLINE AND DRAW A ROUGH "SCRIPT" ON THE BACK OF SCRAP PAPER.
OKAY, NOW MAKE SOME HOT DOGS AND FRENCH FRIES FOR YOUR KID.



DID YOU KNOW: ALL THE GREAT CARTOONISTS OF YESTERYEAR SMOKED! IF YOU DON'T, WHY NOT GET A PIPE AND A COMFORTABLE SMOKING JACKET FOR THOSE LATE NIGHT DEADLINE CRUNCHES?
PIPE TOBACCO IS KNOWN TO CAUSE CANCER IN THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA! LIVING IN THE MIDWEST MAKES IT SAFE TO SMOKE!



ALL RIGHT, THE SCRIPT IS DONE. NOW WATCH MORE TV OR SHOP FOR CD'S ON LINE.
NEXT: HITLER'S LIFO'S, ON HISTORY'S MYSTERIES!



NOW IT'S TIME TO DRAW! MAKE SURE YOU HAVE...
Red Bull Soda water watch Drawing Board Paper
Pen Coffee



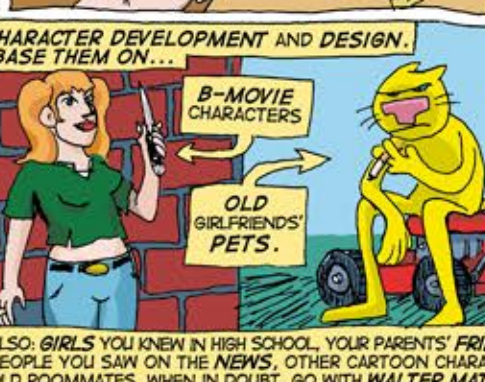
TO GET THAT IMPORTANT SENSE OF REALISM, WORK FROM PHOTOS YOU HAVE METICULOUSLY ARRANGED AND TAKEN.
THIS IS MY CAT MACMILLAN, SHE'S A SWEETHEART!



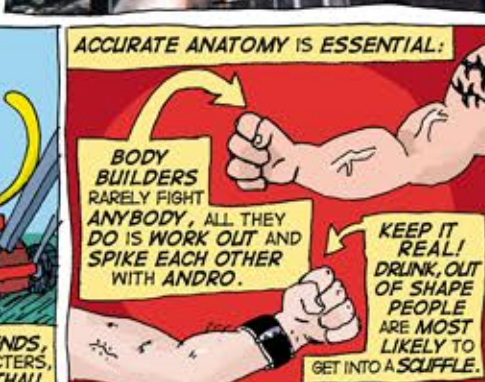
HERE'S THE FINISHED PANEL THE PHOTO WAS TAKEN TO REFERENCE.
I'll Show You Fruit Salad!



WHAT? YOU CAN'T DRAW? THAT'S OKAY GO TO ART SCHOOL AND GET YOUR BFA*. WE'LL BE HERE WHEN YOU GET BACK.
YOU NEED ANOTHER BEER?
NO.
*GOT YOUR MFA? CHARGE AN ADDITIONAL \$1.25 PER CARTOON.



CHARACTER DEVELOPMENT AND DESIGN. BASE THEM ON...
B-MOVIE CHARACTERS
OLD GIRLFRIENDS' PETS.
ALSO: GIRLS YOU KNEW IN HIGH SCHOOL, YOUR PARENTS' FRIENDS, PEOPLE YOU SAW ON THE NEWS, OTHER CARTOON CHARACTERS, OLD ROOMMATES. WHEN IN DOUBT, GO WITH WALTER MATTHALI.



ACCURATE ANATOMY IS ESSENTIAL:
BODY BUILDERS RARELY FIGHT ANYBODY, ALL THEY DO IS WORK OUT AND SPIKE EACH OTHER WITH ANDRO.
KEEP IT REAL! DRINK, OUT OF SHAPE PEOPLE ARE MOST LIKELY TO GET INTO A SCUFFLE.



ORIGINALITY IS IMPORTANT.
LASAGNA.
CIGARETTES.



STOP! TAKE TIME OUT EACH NIGHT TO RESPOND TO YOUR FAN MAIL.
"I HAVE BEEN LOCKED DOWN IN PRISON FOR THREE YEARS. PLEASE SEND ME A FREE COMIC AND T-SHIRT".



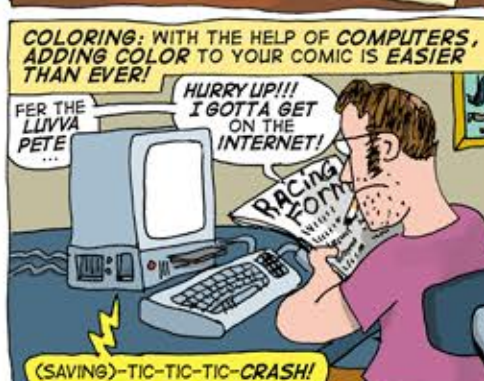
DRAW SOME MORE. CHOOSE COMPELLING AND DYNAMIC POSES FOR YOUR CHARACTERS.
WHOA! VINCENT PRICE MARATHON TONIGHT! BETTER JUST KNOCK OUT A HEAD SHOT...



DON'T JUST SWIPE FROM OTHER COMICS! DRAW FROM LIFE WHENEVER POSSIBLE.
CAN WE GO TO TARGET NOW?
JUST A FEW MINUTES MORE, HONEY. NOW, EMOTE, I'M NOT FEELING IT YET...



CARTOONIST DISTRACTIONS: WIVES!
ROB, PUT THE COMIC AWAY! IT'S TIME TO GO TO TARGET!
USE YOUR NEWFOUND FAME TO NET A GIRL PREVIOUSLY OUT OF YOUR LEAGUE. BE CAREFUL! WIFE MUST HAVE HIGH TOLERANCE LEVEL FOR JACK KIRBY AND ERASER SHAVINGS.



COLORING: WITH THE HELP OF COMPUTERS, ADDING COLOR TO YOUR COMIC IS EASIER THAN EVER!
HURRY UP!! I GOTTA GET ON THE INTERNET!
FER THE LUVVA PETE
(SAVING)-TIC-TIC-TIC-CRASH!



REVIEW YOUR WORK ONE FINAL TIME BEFORE TURNING IT IN. MAKE ANY NECESSARY CHANGES.
HMMM... THE COLONEL MIGHT LOOK BETTER WITH TWO HEADS...



CAREFULLY PACK UP YOUR COMIC AND SEND IT OFF TO THE PAPER. WATCH OUT! MAKE SURE YOU USE THE RIGHT AMOUNT OF POSTAGE!
ONCE THE FINISHED PRODUCT ARRIVES, IT'S PASTED UP AND SENT TO PRESS.



CONGRATULATIONS! IF YOU FOLLOWED EACH AND EVERY STEP (IN ORDER!), YOU ARE NOW A WORKING CARTOONIST! ANSWER YOUR CALL FROM THE CARTOON NETWORK AND BEGIN DESIGNING YOUR HAPPY MEAL BOX. AT HIS NEXT BIG EVENT, TELL P-DIDDY WE SAID "HI!"
SKREET!
DRIVER, DO DONUTS IN THE CHURCH PARKING LOT!
VROOOM!