

Chinese Brush Painting Book list

There is a multitude of books on Chinese brush painting. However many of them are now out of print or in other languages, especially Chinese. You may be able to find copies via the internet or in second-hand bookshops.

Please note: this list is just a sample of books on the subject – it does not imply approval or recommendation from CBPS.

Chinese History and Culture

Three Thousand Years of Chinese Painting (various authors inc **Cahill & Barnhart**): a comprehensive overview, with useful supporting lists.

How to Read Chinese Paintings, **Maxwell K. Hearn**

Some authors worth looking out for if you are interested in the history, principles and theory of Chinese painting. Many of these could be from the internet, or second-hand or antiquarian bookshops.

James Cahill

Craig Clunas

William Cohn

Max Loehr

Shane McCausland

Jessica Rawson

George Rowley

Jerome Silbegeld

Oswald Siren

Peter Swann

Michael Sullivan

Roderick Whitfield

“How to” books

Chinese Painting Techniques & Chinese Painting for Beginners

Two series of books published in Taiwan (ART Book Co Ltd), each book dealing with specific subjects and artists. Text in English or English & Chinese. Some books by this publisher are available via Sidewinder Studio. Some examples:

Flower & Birds, a Perspective. **Yang O-Shi**

100 Birds: Chinese Techniques For Painting Birds.. **Yang O-Hsi**

Chinese Techniques For Painting Flowers **Yang O-Hsi**
Drawing Little Birds. **Yang O-shi**
A Study of Chinese Paintings. **Chao Shao-An**
Selected Figure Paintings. **Liu Yueh-Sheng**
Chen Chih-Fo's Fine-Line Paintings. **Chen Chih-Fo**
Drawing Lotus. **Ho Kung-Shang**
Drawing Mountains And Water. **Zhang Chung**
Landscape Painting Vol - 111. **Li Xiaongcai**
Animals & Other Painting. **Ou Lizhuang**
The Paintings of Chih Pai Shih
Flowers of the Four Seasons. No 1 Spring, No 2 Summer, No 3 Autumn, No 4 Winter.
Flowers of the Four Seasons: the Fundamentals of Chinese Floral Painting

Books by members and friends of CBPS

These will mainly be found in UK but many have also been printed in other languages and by USA publishers. Some may be currently out of print, but available via second hand bookshops or the internet.

Pauline Cherrett

Introduction to Chinese Brush Painting
Chinese Brush Painting
Chinese Brush Painting: A Beginner's Guide
The Practical Art of Chinese Brush Painting
Chinese Brush Painting Studio
Chinese Brush Painting Masterclass

Maggie Cross

The Art of Chinese Brush Painting
A Beginners Guide to Chinese Painting Books 1 & 2

Jane Dwight

The Chinese Brush Painting Bible
The Complete Chinese Brush Painting Set
The Chinese Brush Painting Source Book

Jane Evans

Learn to Paint With a Chinese Brush
Landscape Painting With a Chinese Brush
Chinese Brush Painting
Chinese Flower Painting

Jean Long

Practical Chinese Painting
How to Paint the Chinese Way

Chinese Ink Painting
The Art of Chinese Calligraphy

Qu Leilei

The Simple Art of Chinese Brush Painting
The Simple Art of Chinese Calligraphy
The Complete Guide to Chinese Calligraphy
Chinese Calligraphy: Standard Script for Beginners
The Tao of Sketching

Wang Jianan & Cai Xiaoli

The Complete Oriental Painting Course

Rebecca Yue

Landscape Painting Made Easy
Chinese Calligraphy Made Easy
Chinese Flower Painting Made Easy
Chinese Animal Painting Made Easy

'How to' books for beginners (translated Wen & Cherrett):

Regular Script Calligraphy for Beginners
Running Script Calligraphy for Beginners
Chinese Bird-and-Flower Painting for Beginners
Chinese Landscape Painting for Beginners
Chinese Figure Painting for Beginners
Chinese Animal Painting for Beginners

Books that were sold in UK

May now be out of print but available via internet.
The Techniques of Chinese Painting. **Wu Yangmu**
Chinese Painting - Complete Self Tutor. **Francisca Ting**
Chinese Brushwork. **Kwo**
Mustard Seed Garden. **Mai-Mai Sze**
Chinese Calligraphy. **Chiang Yee**
Flowers In Art From East And West. **Hulton & Smith**

Books sold mainly in USA

May now be out of print but available via internet.
The Art of Chinese Painting **Ning Yeh**
An Album **Ning Yeh**
The Art of Henry Wo Yue-Kee