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Anime's influence can be found in every corner of American media, from film and television to games and graphic arts. And Fred Patten is largely responsible. He was reading *manga* and watching *anime* before most of the current generation of fans was born. In fact, it was his active participation in fan clubs and his prolific magazine writing that helped create a market and build American *anime* fandom into the vibrant community it is today. *Watching Anime, Reading Manga* gathers together a quarter-century of Patten's lucid observations on the business of *anime*, fandom, artists, Japanese society and the most influential titles. Illustrated with original fanzine covers and archival photos. Foreword by Carl Macek (*Robotech*).

**Fred Patten** lives in Los Angeles.

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