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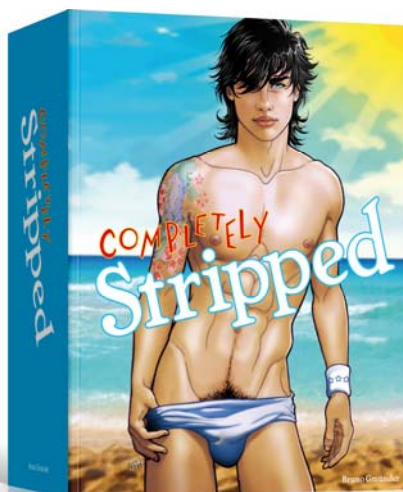
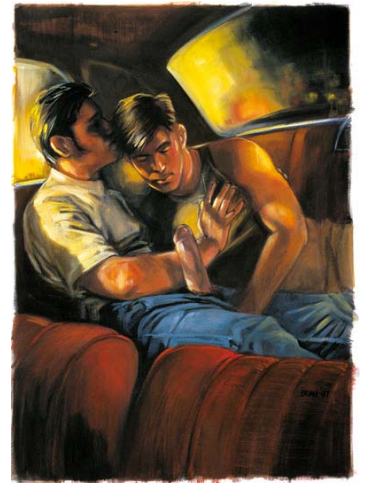
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COMPLETELY STRIPPED

What would be the most fitting appellation for art that focuses on the sensual and sexual aspects of male life? Well, if these artworks are created by men who love men, if they are dedicated to men who love men, then “gay art” surely is the term which brings it to the point best. Standing for its own this term would be a crude and improper generalization, of course, but when we think about it as the thread of the stunning 600-pages coffee table book **COMPLETELY STRIPPED**, these two words make pretty obvious, in how many different, creative and always unique ways a simple term like “gay art” can be filled with life.

COMPLETELY STRIPPED unites the successful anthologies *Stripped* (2006) and *Stripped Uncensored* (2009) in one impressive volume. There are truly no borders for fantasy! Most of the pictures are simply bursting with lust and virility—everything is allowed to be bigger and more muscular and juicy. But you’ll also find images of great intimacy as well as abstract drawings and photo-realistic paintings. **COMPLETELY STRIPPED** easily ranges from frisky to dirty, from simply beauty to provocative.

Speaking of more than just Tom of Finland when speaking about gay illustrations today is not least the credit of Bruno Gmuender Publishing, who has published the works of artists like Mioki, Patrick Fillion, Michael Broderick, BEAU and Anthony Gonzales internationally ever since 2001. *Stripped Uncensored* offers exciting new works from the above as well as lots of works from rather unknown, upcoming talents like Hokane or Eddie Lopez. A marvelous compilation of gay art—for adepts as well as for people who are just curious. **COMPLETELY STRIPPED** is a mirror of the gay zeitgeist, convincing with every page. Completely.



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