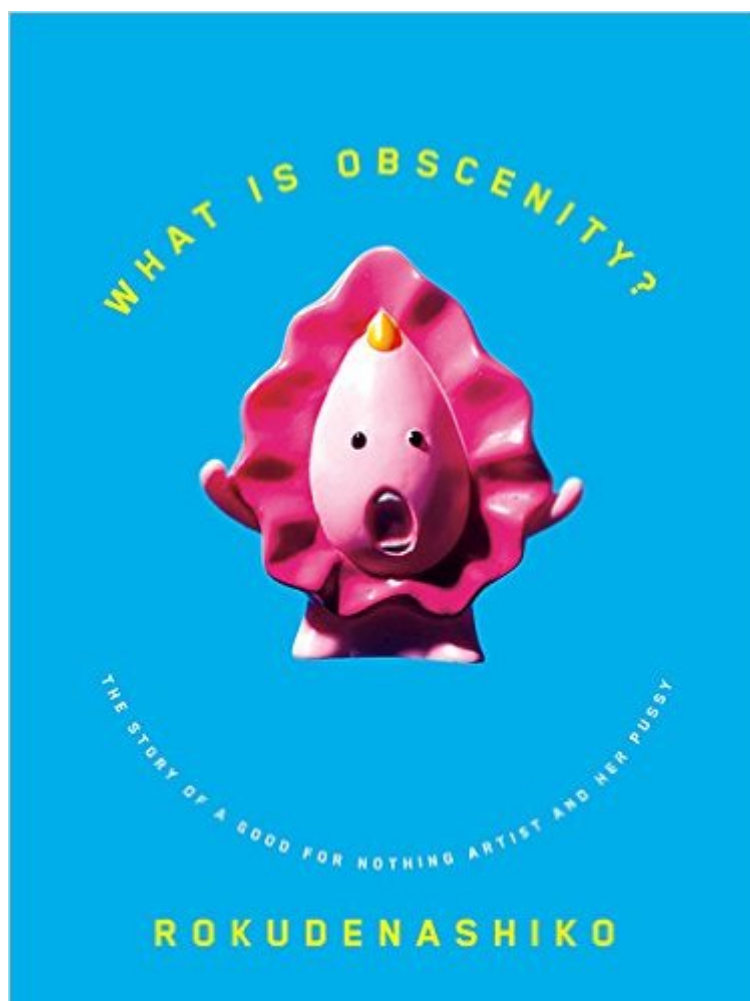


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What Is Obscenity?: The Story Of A Good For Nothing Artist And Her Pussy



Synopsis

A graphic memoir of a good-for-nothing Japanese artist who has been jailed twice for so-called acts of obscenity and the distribution of pornographic materials yet continues to champion the art of pussy. In a society where one can be censored, pixelated, and punished, Rokudenashiko asks what makes pussy so problematic? Rokudenashiko (a good-for-nothing girl •) is a Japanese artist. She is known for her series of decorated vulva moulds, or "Decoman," a portmanteau of decorated and manko, slang for vagina. Distributing a 3D scan of her genitalia to crowdfunding supporters led to her arrest for alleged violation of Japanese obscenity laws.

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Customer Reviews

Rokudenashiko has written and drawn a very personal account of her experiences with life, art, and the Japanese legal system. She bravely reveals how she got to where she is today, and it makes for very interesting reading. She's quite naïve at the beginning, but learns how things work, and how messed up a culture can be about a basic fact of life. The book was originally written in Japanese, and the Japanese right-to-left reading pattern is preserved. While I can't vouch for the exact accuracy of the translation, since I don't read or speak Japanese, I can say that it is well-written, with excellent grammar and spelling, two things not always found in manga translations, or scanlations as they're sometimes called. The English is modern and mature, and expresses the story and its related emotions very well. If you're interested in art, manga, or modern Japanese society, I recommend this book for you.

Rokudenashiko's story has been all over the news, but the news has left out so many interesting (and depressing) details about what exactly happened. Not simply a story about free speech, Rokudenashiko's story illuminates the failings of the Japanese criminal justice system, the sexism of the Japanese media and Japanese politics. A definite must-read that shows how obscenity laws are not applied equally.

Rokudenashiko uses her cute drawing style to tell the serious story of her absurd arrest and imprisonment. It made me laugh out loud at times, and I am so impressed with her fighting spirit. She's an inspiration!

This is an adorable book. The artist who wrote it went through a great ordeal. Love the illustrations and the humor.

Great little auto biography that takes a look society's body issues and Japan's feminist issues.

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