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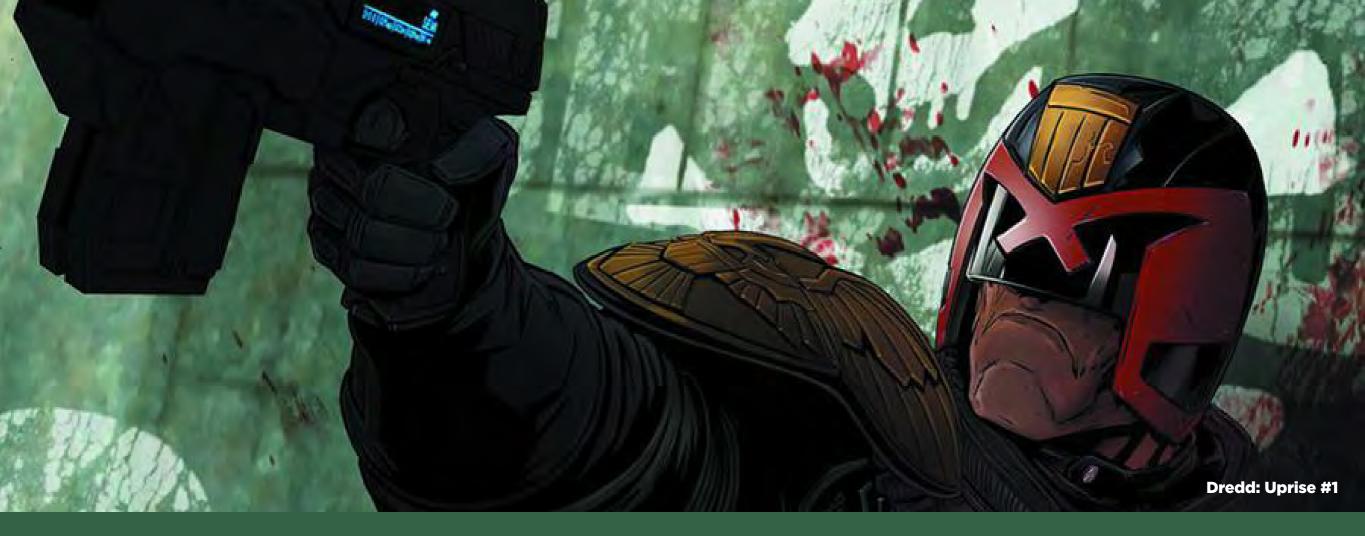
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DARK HORSE **NEW SERIES AND ONE-SHOTS FOR OCTOBER**



ALIEN VS PREDATOR: FIRE AND STONE #1

Christopher Sebela, Ariel Olivetti, E.M. Gist

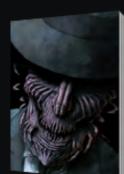
As the mercenary crew of the Perses leave the horror of LV-223 behind them, one passenger reveals a terrible new danger, and the crew soon find themselves in a deadly struggle between predator and prey! In Shops: 08/10/2014



ACTION PHILOS-**OPHERS** Fred Van Lente, Ryan Dunlavey, Maurizio Rosenzweig

Get a taste of Fred Van Lente and Ryan Dunlavey's award-winning, best-selling Action Philosophers! Read about Plato, the wrestling superstar from ancient Greece, and learn the lessons of Nietzsche, the original übermensch!

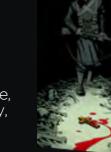
In Shops: 08/10/2014



COLDER: **BAD SEED** Paul Tobin, Juan Ferreyra

Life goes on for Declan Thomas after his deadly encounter with the psychotic Nimble Jack, but Declan's strange powers continue to develop, offering him a profound connection with the nature of insanity. Little does he know that the malevolent Swivel wishes to pick up where Nimble Jack left off!

In Shops: 22/10/2014

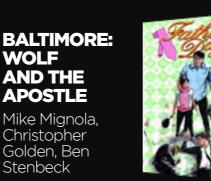


APOSTLE Christopher Golden, Ben

When Inquisition agents come to destroy a wolf that used to be one of their own men, they don't stand a chance without the ultimate ally!

WOLF

In Shops: 29/10/2014



Stenbeck As a mob enforcer he was called the Eastside Butcher, but twenty years later Silas has found peace. That is,



Frank J. Barbiere, Colin Lorimer, Rachel Dodson, Terry Dodson, Various

A mysterious dimension hopper. A psychokinetic prodigy. A beautiful and vengeful specter. A socially inept sorcerer. Only they can deliver us from Black Sky! Don't miss this value-priced primer with four actionpacked issues! Enter the thrilling universe of Dark Horse superheroes! Contains Blackout #1, Brain Boy #0, Ghost #1, and The Occultist: At Death's Door #1.

In Shops: 15/10/2014

PREDATOR: **FIRE AND** STONE Joshua

FATHER'S

Keron Grant.

Mike Richardson,

Gabriel Guzman,

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until his abandoned daughter shows

up to give him a piece of her mind . . . and unwittingly leads a legion of hit

men to settle accounts with Silas!

In Shops: 22/10/2014

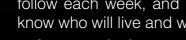
Williamson, Chris Mooneyham, Dan Brown, Lucas Graciano

As the Perses begins her long journey home, a deadly stowaway forces the crew into a savage conflict! While the crew defend themselves against this unseen predator, the hunter itself stalks a much more substantial game!

In Shops: 22/10/2014



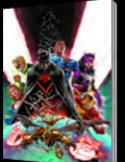




In Shops: 08/10/2014



An all-new digital first series begins! Bridging the gap between seasons 2 and 3 of the hit TV series Arrow. Season 2.5 follows Oliver Queen's story as he battles the Church of Blood, with the fate of Starling City hanging in the balance. Featuring an all-star cast of Oliver's greatest allies and enemies including the Huntress, Black Canary and Deathstroke! In Shops: 08/10/2014



EARTH 2: WORLD'S END #1

Daniel H. Wilson, Ardian Syaf, Jaime Mendoza, Various

New York Times best-selling author Daniel H. Wilson delves into the world of Earth 2 for the start of a new weekly series that will see the origins of a world much like the New 52 Earth, but yet so different. A world that saw its greatest heroes die - and new ones take their places. A world where Superman became it's greatest villain, and a man named Zod seeks to save it, along with Batman, Green Lantern, The Flash and other heroes. A world they can only save from the forces of Apokolips through great personal sacrifice! Death and destruction will follow each week, and you'll never know who will live and who will die!



ARKHAM MANOR #1 Gerry Duggan Shawn Crystal

When catastrophe strikes Arkham Asylum, where will Gotham City house the world's most dangerous criminals, and when inmates are murdered, what is Batman prepared to do in search of justice? Arkham's madness comes home in Arkham Manor!

In Shops: 22/10/2014



BATMAN ESSENTIALS: THE BLACK MIRROR #1 SP ED Scott Snyder, Jock

In this special, a series of brutal murders pushes Batman's detective skills to the limit and forces him to confront

In Shops: 01/10/2014



Follow the adventures of Barry Allen as he struggles to balance his job as a police crime scene investigator, his unrequited crush on Iris West and his new life as Central City's guardian angel! Don't miss out!

In Shops: 01/10/2014



DEATH-STROKE #1 Tony S. Daniel, Sandu Florea

The DCU's deadliest assassin stars in his own ongoing series by writer/ artist Tony S. Daniel! See him as never before in this explosive new series, with one surprise after another as we see Slade Wilson in the fight of his life!

In Shops: 22/10/2014



GOTHAM ACADEMY #1

Becky Cloonan, Brendan Fletcher, Karl Kerschl

Welcome to Gotham Academy! Gotham City's most prestigious prep school is a very weird place. It's got a spooky campus, oddball teachers, and rich benefactors always dropping by... like that weirdo Bruce Wayne. But nothing is as strange is the students!

Like, what's up with Olive Silverlock? Is she crazy or what? Where did she go last summer? And what's the deal with her creepy mom? And how come that Freshman Maps is always following her around? And is she still going out with Kyle? P.S. Did you hear the rumor about the ghost in the North Hall?!

Gotham Academy is a new, monthly teen drama set in the shadow of Batman and the craziness of Gotham City, with new characters and old plus a secret tie to Gotham's past...

In Shops: 01/10/2014



GREEN LANTERN **NEW GODS GODHEAD #1**

Robert Venditti, Pete Woods, Francis Portela, Various

"Godhead" Act 1, Part 1: Highfather, leader of the New Gods, has long studied the infinite and infinitely mysterious Source Wall which surrounds the universe. Now, he has learned that during "Green Lantern: Lights Out," the ring-wielders broke through the Wall and stole secrets of cosmic importance. Determined to breach the Source Wall himself, Highfather must gain one of each colored ring in the emotional spectrum. But even mighty Highfather doesn't know all, and the forces he's about to unleash will have transformative effects on the whole DC Universe! Cosmic mystery, overwhelming odds, familiar and brandnew New Gods - This one's got it all!

In Shops: 01/10/2014



HARLEY QUINN ANNUAL #1

Amanda Conner, Jimmy Palmiotti. John Timms

We have to warn you, this issue stinks! Seriously! Like, unpleasant odors are literally in the story! In this first-ever Harley Quinn Annual, take a trip to Harley's home of Coney Island in a groundbreaking "scent-ticular" issue, featuring actual, honest-togosh smells. This issue comes polybagged to contain the stench!

In Shops: 29/10/2014



one of Gotham City's oldest evils.





INJUSTICE - GODS AMONG US: YEAR TWO ANNUAL #1

Tom Taylor, Marguerite Bennett, Jheremy Raapack, Various

Featuring two untold tales! Hal Jordan's alliance with Sinestro is tenuous at best. How can it continue? Then, as the resistance in Gotham City digs in, Commissioner Gordon works with his daughter Barbara for the first time. But their time together is running out!

In Shops: 01/10/2014



JUSTICE LEAGUE UNITED **ANNUAL #1**

Jeff Lemire, Neil Edwards, Jay Leisten

The Infinitus Saga begins as the Legion of Super-Heroes arrive with the shocking news that the 31st century has been destroyed! Now it's up to the Justice League United to save the future!

In Shops: 29/10/2014



In Shops: 08/10/2014

KLARION #1 Ann Nocenti, Trevor McCarthy

Klarion the Witch Boy makes his New 52 debut and stands for the forces of chaos in this new ongoing series!



INJUSTICE - GODS AMONG US: YEAR THREE #1 Tom Taylor, Bruno Redondo, Mike S. Miller, Neil

freedom. Now, Batman has found

an unlikely ally against Superman's

regime - and John Constantine is

ready to unleash a bit of chaos.

In Shops: 08/10/2014

Googe Superman's new world order is in effect across the globe. The world is transformed. Violent dictatorships have fallen. Wars have ceased. But this order comes at the expense of

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TRINITY OF SIN #1

J. M. DeMatteis, Yvel Guichet, Guillem March

Pandora, The Phantom Stranger and The Question have hated each other for centuries...and nothing has changed! Now the Trinity of Sin are forced to work together to save humanity and uncover the darkest secrets of the universe in this new ongoing series!

In Shops: 15/10/2014

NEW SERIES AND ONE-SHOTS FOR



The next chapter of the greatest adventure in DC's history is here!

When they last collaborated, Grant Morrison joined artist Ben Oliver (Lobo, Batman/Superman) for the acclaimed Action Comics #0. For their next team-up, the two take a spin around the self-obsessed Earth-16 - a.k.a. Earth-Me!

With all of the world's threats having been handled long ago by their parents, the next generation of supers - including Chris Kent, Damien

Megamorpho, Donna Troy and more - find themselves labeled as superstars more often than super heroes. But with that fame comes complacency, and when a massive threat unlike anything they've ever seen surfaces, this pampered crew finds themselves in way over their head. What secret is Damien keeping from Chris that could tear the world's finest friends apart? Who is the mysterious killer lurking behind the scenes among these spoiled superchildren? And what chance do they stand against the monstrous villain that's murdering its way across the Multiverse? All that and more in this exciting stand-alone issue which also acts as chapter three of the Multiversity saga. Join us, if your dare, for The Multiversity!

Wayne, Alexis Luthor, Offspring,

In Shops: 15/10/2014

Just in time for fall, pumpkin picking, changing leaves and candy corn is the Vertigo Quarterly: Yellow! Take in the crisp autumn air with some of the best talent in comics for an experiment in word association only Vertigo can deliver!

In Shops: 29/10/2014

VERTIGO

YELLOW

Philip Bond,

Various

QUARTERLY:

Steve Orlando,

LOBO #1

Cullen Bunn, Reilly Brown, Aaron Kuder

The all-new Lobo brings the ultraviolence to his new ongoing series! If

the first few blood-soaked pages of this issue don't shock you, nothing will! In Shops: 01/10/2014



DEAD SQUAD #1 Matthew

Federman, Stephen Scaia, Michael Montenat, Steve Firchow

The latest from Darby Pop! Three highly-trained Delta Force Operators embark on a high-stakes mission to obtain a mysterious serum. But when they are betrayed by one of their own, securing the drug immediately becomes a matter of life, death, and their own resurrection.

In Shops: 15/10/2014



HERO COMICS 2014 Sam Keith,

Mike Grell, Sam Keith, J. Scott Campbell

Another great all-star one-shot to benefit The Hero Initiative, the charity that helps comic-book creators in times of great need. Sam Kieth provides an all-new Maxx story, his first in nearly 20 years; Mike Grell takes us on a journey with his classic creation, Jon Sable, Freelance. There will also be several "Hero in action" one-page stories, featuring real-life events where Hero Initiative made differences in comic creators lives!

In Shops: 29/10/2014



EDWARD SCISSOR-HANDS #1

Kate Leth, Drew Rausch, Gabriel Rodriguez

An all-new adventure revisiting Edward Scissorhands five decades after the end of the fan-favorite movie!

In castle just outside a sleepy suburban town, a brilliant inventor created Edward Scissorhands...but left him tragically unfinished. Two generations of exile have left Edward digging through abandoned experiments, but once he wakes up a creature left buried, he discovers he isn't the only one missing a vital piece. As Edward tries to fix a grave mistake, he comes face to face with a teenage girl who was sure he was only myth... despite the stories her grandmother told her, about the man she could never touch. In Shops: 22/10/2014



The smash-hit videogame and toy sensation, Skylanders, makes its comic book debut this fall! This allnew series will focus on fan-favorite characters and features stories tying directly into the videogames that cannot be found anywhere else! In Shops: **08/10/2014**

#1

SKYLANDERS

Ron Marz, David Rodriguez, David

Baldeon, Mike

Bowden

NEW SERIES AND ONE-SHOTS FOR OCTOBER



DUNGEONS & DRAGONS: THE LEGENDS OF BALDURS GATE #1

Jim Zub, Max Dunbar, Sarah Stone

Evil, meet my sword! Sword, meet evil! Generations have passed since the original Heroes of Baldur's Gate saved the city and the Realms. Now a new threat rises and an unlikely group of misfits are thrust into adventure with MINSC, the legendary Ranger do-gooder with a heart of gold, brain of lead, and hamster of pronounced wisdom.

In Shops: 15/10/2014







TMNT / GHOSTBUSTERS #1

Erik Burnham, Tom Waltz, Dan Schoening

When a new invention goes haywire, the Turtles are sent to a whole new type of New York City. One with a whole lot more ghosts... and Ghostbusters! The two teams will have to learn to get along quickly, because a new foe from the Turtles past has followed them and aims to conquer NYC!

In Shops: 29/10/2014

NEW SERIES AND ONE-SHOTS FOR OCTOBER



THE OCTOBER FACTION Steve Niles, Damien Worm

The creative team behind Monster & Madman would like to introduce you to the ongoing adventures of retired monster-hunter Frederick Allan and his family... which include a thrill-killer, a witch, and a warlock. Because sometimes crazy is the glue that binds a family together. In Shops: 22/10/2014



V-WARS HUNDRED PENNY PRESS ED

Jonathan Maberry, Alan Robinson, Ryan Brown

Just in time for the second big story arc, get the story where it all started for only a buck! But be forewarned, there are no "sparkling" vampires in this world...

In Shops: 15/10/2014



KILLOGY HALLOWEEN SPECIAL ONE-SHOT

📕 Alan Robert

The critically acclaimed horror/comedy and soon-to-be animated series is back with a vengeance with a special Halloween one-shot! Devilocked horror punk Doyle Wolfgang von Frankenstein (formerly of the Misfits) stomps through the apocalypse like you've never seen him before! Written and illustrated by rock star-turned-comics creator Alan Robert (Crawl to Me), this issue also includes a 10-page first look at his much-anticipated miniseries The Shunned One, coming soon!

In Shops: 29/10/2014



SUPER SECRET CRISIS WAR COW & CHICKEN

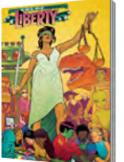
Louise Simonson, Jim Zub, Jorge Monlongo, Derek Charm

Cow's strange new robotic visitor from parts unknown has Chicken feeling overlooked and ignored. Our foul-tempered fowl is looking for options and the Red Guy is more than happy to oblige...

In Shops: 29/10/2014



NEW SERIES AND ONE-SHOTS FOR OCTOBER



CBLDF LIBERTY ANNUAL 2014 Various

A Comic Book Legal Defense Fund Benefit Book!

"Used your imagination lately?" Calling all dreamers and dancers, wanderers and wonderers, free speakers and free thinkers to this year's CBLDF Liberty Annual, compiled by former Marvel editor and ardent imaginaut Lauren Sankovitch. Within the pages of this year's Annual, a merry band of legendary creators has crafted 48 pages of thrilling adventure, powerful drama, and gut-busting hilarity that is not only all-new but all ages! So grab your favorite life forms and gather 'round for a series of tales to test the bounds of your imagination and celebrate our freedom to do so!

All proceeds from this book benefit the important First Amendment work of the Comic Book Legal Defense Fund, who've been fighting censorship in comics for over 25 years!

In Shops: 08/10/2014

Cutter: Issues 1-4, weekly throughout October! What if that kid you and your friends picked on in your youth came back with a vengeance...to kill you and your friends? That dark guilt-ridden fear is at the core of Cutter, a cautionary tale about the sins of your past coming back to haunt you. Jeremy lives a guiet life with his wife in a rural town. Successful and stable, Jeremy is the guy next door. But he and his high school friends share a dark secret. And when that secret literally comes back to haunt them, Jeremy must confront his past and his own sanity as he comes face to face with a vicious serial killer... "The Cutter."

CUTTER #1

Robert Place

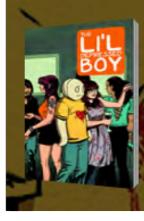
Fahey, Chris

Dibari

Napton, Seamus

From television writer Seamus Kevin Fahey (Battlestar Galactica, The Following) and comic writer Robert Place Napton (Son of Merlin) with art by acclaimed horror artist Christian Dibari.

In Shops: 01/10/2014



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don't miss out!

compassing look at the wider world

of East Of West. Part atlas, part en-

cyclopedia, part timeline, and part

apocrypha, East Of West: The World

is the must-have one-shot compan-

East Of West: The World will contain

pivotal plot and character info that

will not be in the regular series...so

The Apocalypse is illuminated in

ion to the spellbinding series.

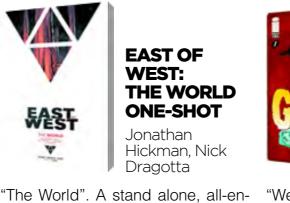
East Of West: The World.

In Shops: 29/10/2014

LI'L DEPRESSED BOY: SUPPOSED TO BE THERE TOO

S.Steven Struble, Sina Grace

"Always Something In My Blindspot". The fan favorite Li'l Depressed Boy returns for the everyday adventures of love, life, and vinyl. Li'l Depressed Boy enjoys his new relationship in spite of work woes. But how will he cope when the last person he wants to see reappears? In Shops: 01/10/2014



GONERS #1 Jacob Semahn,

"We All Fall Down," Part One. From the colonization of Roanoke to the Cold War, the world famous Latimer Family has been humanity's lone defense against paranormal horrors for centuries...until tonight. A deadly assault on the lineage forces an unprepared brother and sister to solve their parents' murder while trying to escape the grim landscape of horrors that stalk the children themselves.

In Shops: 22/10/2014



BIRTHRIGHT #1

Joshua Williamson. Andrei Bressan, Adriano Lucas

For the Rhodes family, losing their son was the most devastating thing that could've ever occurred... but it couldn't prepare them for what happened when he returned.

Skybound's newest original series turns fantasy into realit, by creator/ writer Josh Williamson (Ghosted, Nailbiter) and artist Andrei Bressan. In Shops: 08/10/2014



W SERIES AND ONE- SHOTS FOR OCTOBER



MASTER-PLASTY **ONE-SHOT** James Harvey

A young man decides to leave his college girlfriend after getting a new medical technique which drastically modifies the physical appearance of the human body in ways both beautiful and hideous. Will changing the outside change what's within? The cult online comic is finally available in print. The print debut of UK writer/artist James Harvey, beautifully illustrated in the tradition of Jamie Hewlett and Katsuhiro Otomo. In Shops: 01/10/2014



RASPUTIN #1

Alex Grecian, Riley Rossmo, Ivan Plascencia, **Rilev** Rossmo

Dracula at Downton Abbey!

In one night Rasputin was poisoned, beaten, stabbed, shot in the head, drowned, then tied up and thrown in a frozen river. It was really bad timing. His beard was just coming in nicely.

New York Times bestselling author Alex Grecian and fan favorite artist Riley Rossmo reunite for the first time since their critically acclaimed series Proof!

In Shops: 29/10/2014



WITCHBLADE **CASE FILES #1**

Ryan Cady, Various

Michael Turner, John Tyler Christopher,

WYTCHES #1 Scott Snyder, Jock

Across the globe, century after century, men and women were burned, drowned, hanged, tortured, imprisoned, persecuted, and murdered for witchcraft. None of them were witches. They died protecting a terrible and hidden truth: witches, real witches, are out there. They are ancient, elusive, and deadly creatures that are rarely seen and even more rarely survived. This October, superstar creators Scott Snyder (Severed, Batman) and Jock (Snapshot, Batman) unveil Wytches, and introduce you to a world of unimaginable horror in a special extra-sized first issue with 30 pages of story and no ads!

In Shops: 08/10/2014

PUNKS THE COMIC #1 Joshua Hale Fialkov, Kody Chamberlain

Dog, Skull, Fist, and Abe Lincoln live in a house, beat the #### out of each other, and frequently humiliate themselves. There is bleeding and sadness; Morrissey would likely approve.

The cult hit comedy returns with new stories and a classic in the back. From Eisner/Harvey nominees Joshua Hale Fialkov (The Bunker, I, Vampire) and Kody Chamberlain (Sweets, The Ride). In Shops: 08/10/2014

Take a look into the personal files of Sara Pezzini! 19 years and 180 issues of juggling her career as both a law enforcement officer and the Balance of Good and Evil means a whole lot of crooks, ne'er-do-wells, and straight-up monsters, and we've got the scoop on the worst of them. Includes a never-before-seen backup story from Talent Hunt run-

In Shops: 15/10/2014

ners-up!





REVOLUTIONS #1

Dennis Hopeless, Ken Lashley

Companion series to Marvel's newest blockbuster event. Avengers And X-Men: Axis! Featuring stories from the Avengers and X-Men's epic battle with the Red Skull! As the Red Skull broadcasts hate across the globe, will our heroes be able to quell the madness? Or might they just be swept up in it?

In Shops: 29/10/2014



AXIS:

Red Skull has exploited the gifts of the world's greatest telepath to broadcast pure hatred across the globe. Now, born of the murder of Charles Xavier, World War Hate has begun. Tony Stark discovers a secret truth that will upend not only his life, but also the lives of everyone he cares for. Can The Avengers and X-Men finally unite? Magneto murdered the wrong man, releasing the greatest evil the Marvel Universe has ever known. Now Rogue and Scarlet Witch are all that stand in it's way.

I bet some people would love to get

their hands on his DNA to clone him...

Logan's old pals Deadpool and Ste-

ve Rogers are gonna make sure that

doesn't happen.

In Shops: 29/10/2014

In Shops: 08/10/2014



AXIS: HOBGOBLIN #1

Kevin Shinick, Javier Rodriguez

"Avengers And X-Men: Axis" tie-In! Roderick Kingsley, the one and only Original Hobgoblin is back in the suit (for real this time! We swear!) and back in New York with a brand new mission.

Robot Chicken writer Kevin Shinick (Superior Carnage, Superior Spider-Man Team Up) and fan favorite artist Javier Rodriguez (Daredevil) team up to bring you a Hobgoblin book unlike any you've ever seen!

In Shops: 22/10/2014



"Avengers And X-Men: Axis" tie-In! Carnage is back in NYC and the city will never look at him the same way again! Something incredible has happened to the symbiote serial killer in Avengers And X-Men: Axis that will have Cletus and you reeling!

AXIS:

CARNAGE #1

German Peralta,

Rick Spears,

Alexander

Lozano

In Shops: 29/10/2014



"Act I: The Red Supremacy". The Following the tragedy of Original Sin. what becomes of Bucky Barnes, the Winter Soldier? Find out in this new ongoing series. In Shops: 01/10/2014

DEATH OF WOLVERINE: LOGAN LEGACY #1 Charles Soule, Oliver Nome

BUCKY

BARNES:

WINTER

Rudy

SOLDIER #1

Ales Kot, Marco

Wolverine-the greatest X-Men everis dead! With this mutant powerhouse now permanently out of the picture, various factions of both good and evil are scrambling to fill the void left by Logan's death! Will Wolverine's Legacy be shaped by heroes who valiantly fought alongside him or by those villains treacherous enough to have challenged him over the many years of his long life? The answers will be revealed in this special 7-issue limited series that spins directly out of the megapopular Death Of Wolverine! This series will feature unique solo adventures of several instrumental figures in shaping Logan's Legacy: X-23, Sabretooth, Daken, Lady Deathstrike and Mystique! In Shops: 15/10/2014



DEADPOOL'S ART OF WAR #1

Peter David, Scott Koblish

Sun Tzu's Art of War has been called the definitive work on military strategy and tactics and has influenced leaders in both warfare and business for hundreds of years... which means it's totally in the public domain and ripe for being ripped off by Deadpool! And what's Deadpool's plan to ensure his version of Art of War outsells the original? Make sure the entire world is at war when it comes out! In Shops: 15/10/2014

COVER STAR 🛪 **DEATH OF** WOLVERINE: DEADPOOL **AND CAPTAIN** AMERICA #1 Gerry Duggan, Scott Kolins, Ed **McGuiness** Did you know Wolverine is dead?



DEATHLOK #1 Nathan Edmondson, Mike Perkins

"Enemy of My Enemy". After Michael Collins, there was Henry Hayes. A medic who travels to war zones to heal the wounded, he has no idea that when he's in the field, he's activated by a mysterious group and becomes the ultimate weapon of assassination and war: Deathlok.

From the writer of Black Widow and The Punisher comes a new take on the iconic cyborg character making waves on Marvel's Agents of S.H.I.E.L.D.

In Shops: 29/10/2014



MEN OF WRATH #1

Jason Aaron, Ron Garney

Ever since Great Grandfather Isom killed a man over some sheep, a black cloud has hung over the Rath family. Now, over a century later, Ira Rath, the coldest hitman ever to walk on Alabama soil, has taken a job that will decide the fate of his cursed family once and for all. Writer Jason Aaron (Southern Bastards, Scalped) and artist Ron Garney (Weapon X, Thor: God of Thunder) team up once again, to bring you the story of a Southern family, whose only heirloom is violence.

75TH #1

MARVEL ANNIVERSARY **CELEBRATION**



Various

A super-sized celebration of 75 years of the World's Greatest Comics!

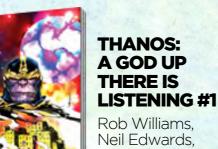
What happened the day the Marvel Universe was born? James Robinson and Chris Samnee have the answer! Legendary artist Bruce Timm adapts the very first Captain America story Stan Lee ever wrote, from 1941!

As Spider-Man battles the Kingpin, Peter Parker's pals -n- gals lament his absence, in a story by Tom De-Falco and Stan Goldberg.

Brian Michael Bendis & Michael Gaydos quide Netflix's Jessica Jones as she investigates a case with roots in the past of the Marvel Universe!

Wolverine's "father" Len Wein and Paul Gulacy recount an untold encounter between Logan and Sabretooth! And More!

In Shops: 29/10/2014



Dustin Nguyen, Various At the close of Infinity, Thane discovered he was the son of Thanos and that his touch was death. Now, accompanied by the constantly whispered advice of the Ebony Maw, he

wants to discover his father's history, and his own future.

In Shops: 08/10/2014

THOR #1

Jason Aaron, Russell Dauterman

The great hammer Mjolnir lies on the moon, unable to be lifted by anyone in all the heavens! Even Thor! Something dark has befallen the God of Thunder, leaving him weakened and for the first time in forever... unworthy! But when Frost Giants invade the Earth, the hammer will be lifted and an all-new Thor will arise! A Thor unlike any we've ever seen before! Who is this new Goddess Of Thunder? Not even Odin knows!

Jason Aaron teams with hot up-and-coming artist Russell Dauterman (Cyclops) to create a bold new chapter in the storied history of Thor! In Shops: 01/10/2014



3000 #1 Dan Abnett. Gerardo Sandoval

Dive right into the action as the original Guardians of the Galaxy-Vance Astro, Yondu, Martinex, Starhawk and Charlie-27--try to save the future universe from the menace of the Badoon. But what happens when the Guardians discover something behind the Badoon, something even worse than they could have ever imagined? The very future itself is in danger, and the only possibility of salvation relies on the shoulders of this ragtag, bombastic group of underdogs!

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Various Everybody has one.

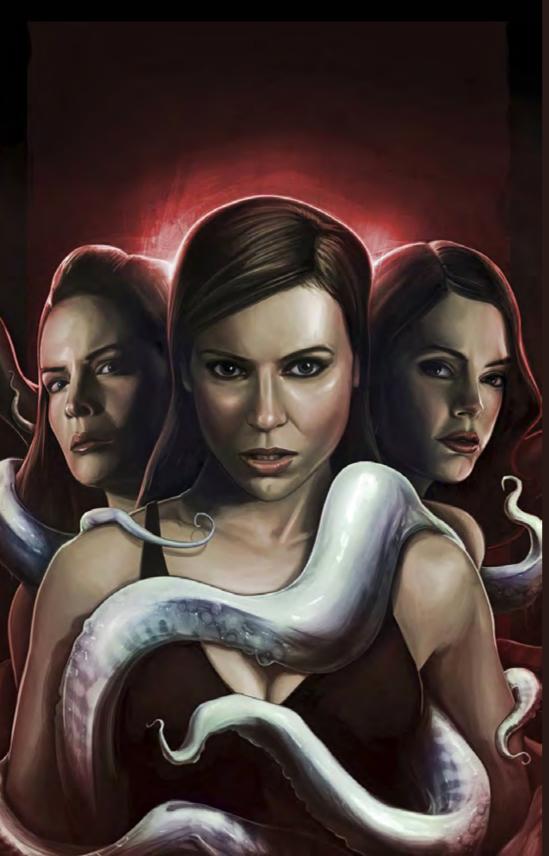
ANNUAL #1



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NEW SERIES AND ONE-SHOTS FOR OCTOBER





CHARMED - SEASON 10 #1 ZENESCOPE Patrick Shand, Elisa Feliz

The wait... is over! The Power of Uncle Grandpa is everyone's magiofficial continuation of Charmed! When an ancient evil older than time itself targets the Charmed Ones, they will have to call on help from the magical community... including their estranged sister Prue and the sets its sights on the Halliwells?

An all new epic storyline begins, written by Pat Shand (Robyn Hood, Grimm Fairy Tales) and up-andcoming artist Elisa Féliz, edited by Charmed fan favorite Paul Ruditis! In Shops: 08/10/2014



AMAZING WORLD OF **GUMBALL** 2014 SPECIAL BOOM!

Patrick Crotty, Matt Cummings, Jemma Salume, Various

Who hasn't woken in the middle of the night wishing for more Tina Rex in their life? Even if you've never watched The Amazing World Of Gumball, this special is a perfect spooky October read.

Gumball and his friends are getting together to see who can tell the best scary story. The competition is going to escalate guickly as this group of friends fight to creatively outdo each other in fright!

In Shops: 08/10/2014



UNCLE **GRANDPA #1** BOOM! Zac Gorman,

Bob Flynn, Cory Fuller, Various

Three finally returns in Zenescope's cal uncle and grandpa, and he's come to help kids with their problems in surreal and wacky ways! It's a MAD Magazine-style comic collection of zany shorts, games, and strips starring Uncle Grandpa, Pizza Steve. Mr. Gus. and all the former demon Cole... for help. But other crazy characters from the hit will it be enough when an Old One Cartoon Network show created by Peter Browngardt.

In Shops: 01/10/2014



SLEEPY HOLLOW #1 BOOM!

Marguerite Bennett, Jorge Coelho, Phil Noto

After dying on the battlefield during the Revolutionary War, Ichabod Crane awakes in present-day Sleepy Hollow, New York. His resurrection is tied to the reappearance of the Headless Horseman, one of the Four Horsemen of the Apocalypse. Realizing it is his mission to help stop the end of the world, Ichabod teams with Lt. Abbie Mills to meet each evil threat head on. When minor miracles start to sweep the town and backfire violently, Abbie and Ichabod must find time between saving the world to save the citizens of Sleepy Hollow...

In Shops: 15/10/2014



SIMPSONS COMICS **EXPLOSION**

BONGO

Matt Groening, Jason Ho, Various

A new, explosive, oversized, 96-page, annual comic collection with loads of highly-charged, Simpson-sational stories from cover to cover! Homer becomes TV's newest reality star as his bottomless appetite and cast iron stomach are pushed to the limits week after week on Man <u>Vs. Beast</u> Vs. Food. Bart and Ralph are teamed together as part of a new program called Kid Cops, but when it comes down to it, which one is the good cop, and which one is the bad cop? This bountiful and bomb-tastic annual will blow your mind to smithereens!

In Shops: 29/10/014



SONIC **BOOM #1** ARCHIE

Ian Flynn, Evan Stanley, Rick

Bryant, Patrick Spaziante Based on the new hit TV and video game comes Sonic Boom, a new ongoing Sonic the Hedgehog comic book series from Archie Comics! Sonic the Hedgehog and his friends

are back and ready to do battle with the evil Dr. Eggman and his diabolical death-machines! This groundbreaking new chapter in the Sonic the Hedgehog franchise puts a new "spin" on all your favorite heroes and villains - plus new faces and hilarious new stories chock-full of action!

In Shops: 29/10/2014



EVIL ERNIE #1 DYNAMITE

Tim Seeley, Steve Seeley, Rafael Lanhellas, Carlos Rafael

Teen psychopath Evil Ernie is dead, resigned to Hell where he belongs. But when reality is threatened by an evil even the Devil can't handle, he calls on the only weapon that can prevent total megadeath: Evil Ernie himself! Mistress Hel has found new love... three of them! And the antihero to end all antiheroes is the world of Chaos' only hope.

In Shops: 08/10/2014



VAMPIRELLA: FEARY TALES #1 DYNAMITE Nancy A. Collins, Jack Jadson, Various

While exploring the Transylvanian castle she's recently inherited. Vampirella discovers a strange old book of "Feary Tales" that seems oddly familiar. Upon opening it, she is sucked inside its pages and lands in a weird alternate reality, where she is compelled by a disembodied voice calling itself The Storyteller to live out each of the 'feary tales' if she ever hopes to return to reality. In the first issue, Vampirella is surprised to discover herself married to an infamous wife-killer in "Bluebeard's Blood" and then finds herself both the belle and the bête of the ball in "Cinderella? Vampirella!"

In Shops: 08/10/2014



HOLMES VS HOUDINI #1 DYNAMITE

Anthony Del, Conor McCreery, Carlos Furuzono, Aaron Campbell

The world's most famous detective meets the world's most famous magician... and death ensues! Famed detective Sherlock Holmes and brash showman Harry Houdini must combine forces to defeat a mysterious mystic dedicated to destroying Houdini's career and killing anyone who gets in his way. A new fiveissue series by Anthony Del Sol and Conor McCreery, the Harvey Award-nominated creators of Kill Shakespeare.

In Shops: 01/10/2014



An all-new mini-series written by Peter David with art by Sal Velluto! The original Ghost Who Walks - The Phantom - returns in this late-1940s adventure. This classic tale pits The Phantom against the Singh Brotherhood and their metal-handed leader who are intent on plundering an ancient fabled City of Gold. Only The Phantom, Diana and a newly found ally (taken from the pages of the first Phantom adventure) can stop them! Filled with action, suspense, intrigue and surprises that will thrill both newcomers to the legends and his millions of already existing fans! In Shops: 01/10/2014



SHERLOCK HOLMES -STEAM DETECTIVE #1 ANTARCTIC Joe Wight

All about London and the surrounding lands, dastardly and/or desperate men misuse and abuse the steam-powered technological marvels of the 19th century to deceive, defraud, or even dispatch their fellow Britons. It's up to the dashing detective of 221B Baker Street and his stalwart companion to fire up their gears, both physical and mental, to outwit the villains and save the day!

In Shops: 29/10/2014



WAR STORIES #1 AVATAR

Garth Ennis, Matt Martin

Garth Ennis' War Stories find a new home at Avatar with the launch of this ongoing monthly! Pulling tales from real conflicts throughout modern history, this series is where a master storyteller brings the horrors of war to life in comics. Ennis travels the timeline to pull some of the most harrowing tales of valor and bloodshed from history's most violent battles with his trademark wit and spoton dialogue to show the humanity within the inhuman horrors. The first story is Castles in the Sky, a tale of early bomber pilots and their incredibly difficult missions.

In Shops: 29/10/2014





GFT: DARK SHAMAN #1 ZENESCOPE Joe Brusha, Various

Sela Mathers visits a campus as a quest speaker but little does she know that the campus is built upon an ancient American Indian burial ground. And a local Shaman will make sure that those who have desecrated his land will pay the ultimate price. A brand new horror series from Ze-

nescope Entertainment has arrived! In Shops: 22/10/2014



Q2: RETURN OF QUANTUM & WOODY #1 VALIANT Christopher

Preist, M.D. Bright

The most demanded return in comics is finally here! The original Quantum and Woody are back! Legendary creators Christopher Priest and M.D. Bright return to one of the most acclaimed series of the modern era for an all-new mini-series event! Whatever happened to the world's worst superhero team? Twenty years past their prime, the unlikely crimefighting duo known as Quantum and Woody (not a couple) have long since parted ways. Can these former friends set aside their differences... and their age... and their numerous as X-O Manowar, Unity, Bloodshot, health difficulties... to join forces one last time on a life-or-death mission without driving each other crazy?

In Shops: 15/10/2014

NEW SERIES AND ONE-SHOTS FOR OCTOBER



DREDD **UPRISE #1** 2000AD Arthur Wyatt,

Paul Davidson

From the writer of Dredd: Underbelly and the artist of X-Men Legacy comes a new Dredd movie sequel mini-series. In the neglected sector of Mega-City One known as The Spit, tensions are reaching boiling point amongst the citizens as the shiny new mega-block Oemling Tower is being constructed for those that can afford to live in it. As the Judges face running battles with rioters, the underground movement known as Uprise stokes the flames of dissent.

In Shops: 29/10/2014



ARMOR **HUNTERS** -AFTERMATH #1 VALIANT Robert Venditti, Cafu, Diego

Bernard

The fallout of the summer's blistering crossover event starts now - and no hero can escape what happens next! The Armor Hunters invasion has passed, leaving massive casualties and a fractured populace in its wake. Don't miss the epilogue to Robert Venditti's galaxy spanning epic, Armor Hunters, in the book that will set a new status quo for all of your favorite heroes! Find out here The Harbinger Renegades and many more forge a new frontline of defense for the people of Earth!

In Shops: 01/10/2014

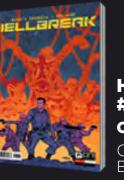


ZOO-HUNTERS #1 ASPEN Peter

Steigerwald

Abros Kel is a ZooHunter-a man who is hired to capture animals for zoos on alien worlds. He and his young son Ty have lost everything due to a tragedy, and together this uncomfortable pair set out into the stars to train Ty as a ZooHunter. Along the way they encounter scores of alien life-forms on far away worlds including Qaurec-an unscrupulous rival ZooHunter who is hunting Abros down. Can Abros and Ty stay one step ahead of his villainy and prove successful in their quest?

In Shops: 29/10/2014



HELLBREAK #1 ONI Cullen Bunn, Brian Churilla

There are thousands of Hells, each unique, each terrible. Empires where the most perverse are wellrespected. Wastelands roamed by prehistoric monstrosities. With the proper tools and know-how... you can infiltrate Hell whether you're dead or not. With the proper tools and know-how, you can break out. Project Kerberos has developed this forbidden technology, and a special forces extraction team is dispatched to rescue lost souls from the infernal realm.

In Shops: 01/10/2014



NOVEL DEAS **NEW GRAPHIC NOVELS AND** COLLECTED EDITIONS ARRIVING FROM OCTOBER ONWARDS...





LOCKE & KEY **VOL.6: ALPHA** & OMEGA **IDW** Hill, Rodriguez



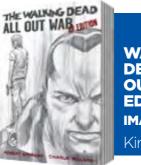
ORIGINAL SIN (HC) MARVEL Various



LOBSTER **JOHNSON:** GET THE LOBSTER **DARK HORSE** Mignola, Arcudi. Zonjic

The Honorverse expands to comics! Based on the bestselling military science fiction novels by David Weber, this original comic book series introduces spaceship captain Honor Harrington on the eve of her execution. From prison, Honor relays her epic adventures, starting with a command outpost to a hellish backwater star system that ends up being the lynchpin of an interstellar crisis that will bring war to her home planet. Collects Tales Of Honor: On Basilisk Station #1-5.

In Shops: 29/10/2014



WALKING **DEAD: ALL OUT WAR - AP EDITION (HC)** IMAGE Kirkman, Adlard

This special edition collects the monumental All Out War story arc all in one volume-as seen through artist Charlie Adlard's raw pencils. Read the story in a whole new way, never before collected together in one single volume.

Collects The Walking Dead #115-126.

In Shops: 01/10/2014

It took two lifetimes and countless victims, but Lucas "Dodge" Caravaggio has his terrible prize at last: the key which will open The Black Door. Dodge descends into the Drowning Cave, to throw back the door and release the demons on the other side. Those who have stood against him for so long - Tyler, Kinsey, Scot, Nina, Rufus, and all the rest take their places as the final tragedy unfolds... A confrontation between decency and hate in the caverns a hundred feet beneath Keyhouse, at the threshold of an evil kept for generations under lock and key.

In Shops: 29/10/2014



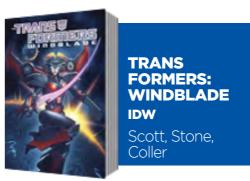
The first ten issues of the classic all-ages series are back in a new collection! Don't miss these tales of the Dark Knight featuring appearances by The Joker, The Penguin, Catwoman, Scarecrow, Killer Croc, Clayface, The Riddler and more!

In Shops: 05/11/2014

Who killed the Watcher? The mysterious space-god who observes mankind from the moon is dead. Thus begins the greatest murder mystery in Marvel history! As Nick Fury leads a cosmic manhunt to the far corners of the universe, other forces marshal and other questions arise. Who is the Unseen? What was stolen from the Watcher's lair? What did the Watcher see? As all the truths come tumbling into the light, discover the Original Sins of dozens of major characters, from the Inhumans to Dr. Doom to J. Jonah Jameson!

Collecting Original Sin #0-8, Original Sins #1-5 and material from Point One #1.

In Shops: 22/10/2014

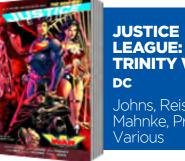


In the aftermath of Dark Cybertron. Windblade takes the planet by storm! But where did she come fromand what does her secret mean to the future of the Transformers?

In Shops: 08/10/2014

A Manhattan wrestling match goes terribly wrong when the ref is killed in front of a live audience by two crazed-and seemingly bulletproofwrestlers. Lobster Johnson's attempt to subdue the mad duo ends with him becoming public enemy number one! Will the Lobster be able to clear his name with the full power of the city's cops after him? Collects Lobster Johnson: Get the Lobster #1-5.

In Shops: 10/12/2014



TRINITY WAR Johns, Reis, Mahnke, Prado,

The blockbuster event of the summer is now in paperback, featuring stories from Justice League #22-23, Justice League Of America #6-7, Justice League Dark #22-23, Constantine #5, Trinity Of Sin: Pandora #1-3 and Trinity Of Sin: Phantom Stranger #11. When the three Justice Leagues go to war with one another, whose side will everyone be on?

In Shops: 26/11/2014

NOVEL DEAS NEW GRAPHIC NOVELS AND COLLECTED EDITIONS ARRIVING FROM OCTOBER ONWARDS...



V-WARS VOL.1: CRIMSON QUEEN DW Maberry, Alan Robinson, Ryan Brown





STRAY **BULLETS** VOL.1: INNOCENCE **OF NIHILISM** IMAGE Lapham



SUPERMAN UNCHAINED **DELUXE ED** (HC) DC Snyder, Lee, Williams, Various

V-Wars is set in a world transformed by a global pandemic caused by a millennia-old virus that, once triggered, affects individuals differently depending on their DNA. The result is vampires as unique as their cultures, a response from unaffected humans like never before, and a story that is old-school, scary and complicated.

Times best-selling author, Jonathan Maberry, this collection begins a non-stop thrill ride of action, horror, and suspense!

In Shops: 15/10/2014



ORIGINS (HC) DC Beechen, Duce, Hitch, Various

BATMAN:

ARKHAM

Based on the hit video game, this volume collects in print for the first time the ground-breaking, multi-path digital comic. This prequel story features an inexperienced Batman going up against crime bosses Black Mask and The Penguin for the first time!

In Shops: 03/12/2014

Miles Morales, the Ultimate Spider-Man, is back in action with a new status quo and a new outlook on life! But New York is about to be turned upside down as events explode in a way nobody saw coming when Spidey takes on Spidey - and only one of the two Ultimate Spider-Men will rise!

Collecting Ultimate Spider-Man Springing from the mind of New York #200 and Miles Morales - Ultimate Spider-Man #1-5.

In Shops: 05/11/2014

ANGEL & FAITH -**SEASON 10** VOL.1 DARK HORSE Gischler, Conrad,

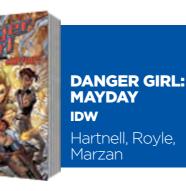
time he averted an apocalypse, part of London turned into a chaotic stew of supernatural forces. Who better to watch over it than Angel himself? Or so he thinks. Meanwhile, Faith begins a new chapter in her life-slaving the undead, and

Collects Angel & Faith - Season 10 #1-5.

In Shops: 10/12/2014

With the return of Stray Bullets, it's time to roll out the "by story arc" trades of David Lapham's influential crime masterpiece....

These are their stories. Follow the lost lives of people who are savagely torn apart by events beyond their control. As the innocent world of an imaginative little girl is shattered when she witnesses a brutal double murder. And learn the story of the most infamous gangster who ever lived, Amy Racecar, who talks to God, lunches with the President, and just may be responsible for the end of the world. These tales will rip out your guts and break your heart. Collects Stray Bullets #1-7. In Shops: 22/10/2014

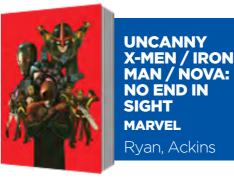


An all-new cast of sinister characters! Secrets from Deuce's past! Fans of the original and best-selling Danger Girl series can't miss what's sure to be the wildest adventure yet.

In Shops: 22/10/2014

The entire nine-issue Unchained series by the superstar team of writer Scott Snyder and artist Jim Lee is collected in this amazing hardcover! When satellites start to fall from the sky, the big question is who stopped the last one from falling. Lex Luthor, Lois Lane, Batman, Wonder Woman, eco-terrorists, the U.S. Army and, most of all, the mysterious being known as Wraith all figure in this epic story from two of comics' hottest talents!

In Shops: 03/12/2014



Three of Marvel's best books collide as Uncanny X-Men, Iron Man and Nova cross over! But what force could bring the Children of the Atom, the Armored Avenger and the Human Rocket together? You've got to read it to find out, effendi!

Collecting Uncanny X-Men Special #1, Iron Man Special #1 and Nova Special #1.

In Shops: 29/10/2014



Fischer, Various

Angel's work is never done. Last then going corporate...

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BREAKING THE RULES

Max Landis, son of film director John Landis, made a profanity laden video a few years back, talking about DC's infamous Death of Superman storyline. It is a well made film, about fifteen minutes long and packed full of famous actors. Provided you are not offended by the language, it is well worth a watch, but I digress. There was a passage in his monologue which recent comic news brought to mind.

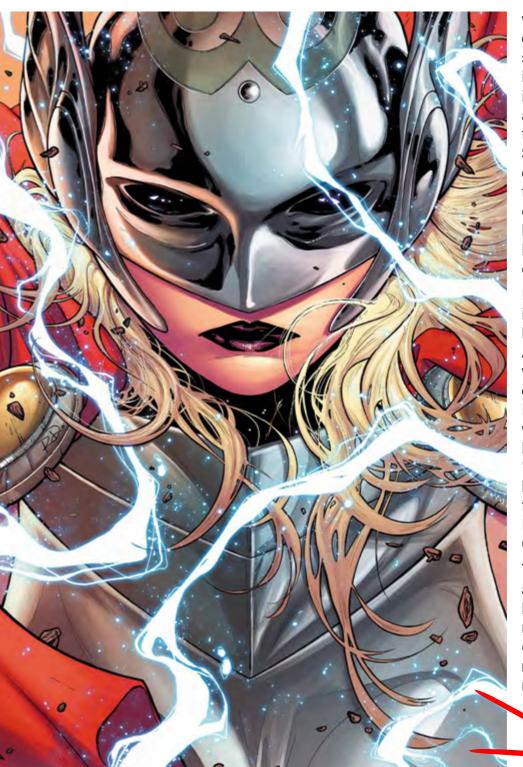
'There is something my dad made up, which is he told me when I was little and frustrated about rules in movies he said "How do you kill a vampire?" and I was like stake through the heart, garlic, sunlight and my Dad was like "No. You can kill a vampire however the f*** you want because vampires don't f***ing exist! You can make up any kind of rules you want!"'

He is right, a writer can decided which rules are implemented in their stories, and they are free to break them as and when they choose. Marvel and DC seem to have taken this attitude to heart recently, blithely killing characters, bringing them back, destroying the odd universe, making three of four more, predict the absolute future, ignore it a week later.

So now Thor is going to be a woman. Not a woman is going to wield the Hammer of Thor, she is going to be Thor. This reveal had many marvel fans creasing their brows in confusion. Other characters have held Thor's Hammer and didn't suddenly sprout silly hats and unusually shiny armour. Why would it change this time?

Well the answer is simple; if Marvel wants it to happen, it can. If they think that it will boost sales, they can make anything happen to anyone at any time and in any way. There are no rules other than the rules they choose to impose and they have an absolute ability to break them. It is not impossible or even difficult for any comic book company to make these changes.

But it is lazy writing. Writers or editors can invent a new deus ex machine that proclaims "When the Watcher's eye is held up by that guy



with an eyeball for a head everyone gets a new memory so we can shoehorn any storyline we want to into their comic." What they can't do is make that idea make sense to the audience. DC are just as guilty of this kind of laziness. Who can forget Superboy Prime punching the walls of reality, causing Jason Todd to return to life? What happened to the catastrophes and chaos left behind by the events of Forever Evil? It all looks like business as usual in the current comics.

If the big two publishers want to draw in new readers they need to establish that their universes make sense. Advising customers who ask about what is the best way to get into X-Men or Justice League is getting tricky. I have visions of me holding up a white board and scrawling out some Lovecraftian diagram while saying "So we had 52 different universes, but then Darkseid came along with the anti-life equation and... wait, did I talk about the effects of Booster Gold's time travel yet?"

You can choose to break the rules at any time, but if you do nothing but break them then you risk scarring away new customers. Plus you don't give the existing audience much incentive to come back to you next month.



KIRKMAN, ADLARD, VARIOUS

Alexandria has been destroyed. Can Rick rally the other communities against Negan's army?

Collects The Walking Dead #121-126.



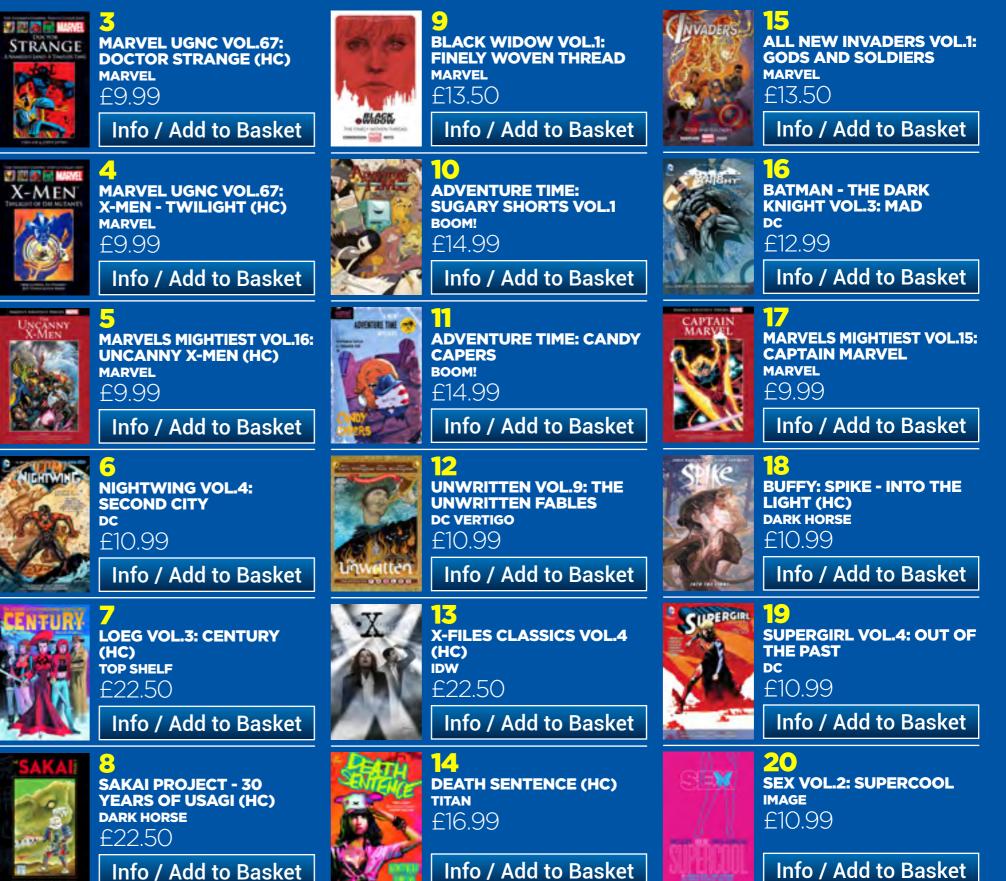
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