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# DARK HORSE

NEW SERIES AND ONE-SHOTS FOR MARCH



## AW YEAH COMICS: ACTION CAT #1

Art Baltazar,  
Franco

Fresh from the creative minds at Aw Yeah Comics—a brand-new series starring the valiant Action Cat and his trusty sidekick, Adventure Bug! As Evil Cat lurks behind the scenes, our heroes endeavor to bring comics to the good people of Beautiful Downtown Skokie. You better believe high jinks will ensue!

In Shops: **09/03/2016**



## PREDATOR: LIFE AND DEATH #1

Dan Abnett,  
Brian Thies

Colonial Marines on the planet Tartarus battle extraterrestrial hunters over the possession of a mysterious horseshoe-shaped spaceship of unknown origin. The Weyland-Yutani rep wants the ship, and the marine captain wants to protect her crew. But neither objective is likely when a band of Predators attacks!

In Shops: **02/03/2016**



## LOBSTER JOHNSON: FORGOTTEN MAN

Mike Mignola,  
John Arcudi,  
Peter Snejbjerg

After a transient goes missing, Lobster Johnson is called in to investigate a priest who practices more than just religion. What he's got cooking in his stew pot is nothing compared to what he has hiding in the sewers below...

In Shops: **30/03/2016**



## SHADOW GLASS #1

Aly Fell

A young student of England's greatest occultist learns her real father is in league with the devil. When Rose finds out that the man who raised her isn't her father, she ignores his warnings about the terrible secrets of her own past and seeks answers from her childhood teacher Dr. John Dee, the queen's occult adviser.

In Shops: **23/03/2016**



# DC

## NEW SERIES AND ONE-SHOTS FOR MARCH

### SUICIDERS KING OF HELLA #1

Lee Bermejo, Alessandro Vitti

A whole generation has grown up since the Great Quake, and people like Trix and her brother Johnny don't know what life was like before New Angeles crumbled. Suffice to say, they've learned how to make the most of living inside the walled city, and particularly within their 'hood. Johnny is the leader of the Kings of Hell.A., a street gang ready to protect its turf against any and all comers-though Johnny may have taken things too far when he crossed Leonard, a former Suicider known as the Coyote. Things are about to get a whole lot more violent.

Meanwhile, Trix is finding love in the arms of Johnny's best friend, and their star-crossed romance is going to bring trouble of an entirely different kind.

The second chapter in Lee Bermejo's acclaimed *Suiciders* series shows us a completely different side of life in New Angeles. Joining Bermejo for *Kings Of Hell.A.* is artist Alessandro Vitti (*Red Lanterns*), whose kinetic style perfectly fits *Suiciders'* brutal landscape.!

In Shops: **09/03/2016**



### LEGENDS OF TOMORROW #1

Gerry Conway, Eduardo Pansica, Various

It's four powerhouse tales in one colossal comic, as some of comics' most legendary talents launch new tales of Firestorm, Metamorpho, Metal Men and Sugar and Spike - that's right, Sugar and Spike!

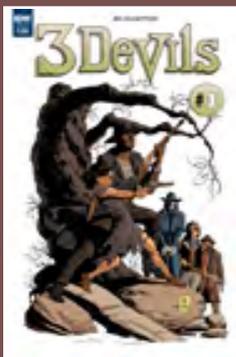
Firestorm is back! To save Jason Rausch, Firestorm will need to retrieve Danton Black's stolen research from Professor Stein's lab. But if Jason can't fuse with Ronnie by the Firestorm Protocol...who can?

Doctor Will Magnus' Metal Men may be the next step in robotics technology, but when the mysterious cyber-terrorist known only as Nameless comes after them, they may have met their match!

Metamorpho-a prisoner of millionaire industrialist Simon Stagg! Now, the only person who can save him is Stagg's beautiful daughter, Sapphire!? But can they defeat Stagg's prehistoric bodyguard, Java?

The last time we saw Sugar and Spike, they were still in diapers! Now, they're grown up, and they've become private investigators who specialize in cleaning up embarrassing problems for the DCU's greatest heroes. Sugar and Spike's first assignment: retrieve a cache of Batman's retired costumes that have been stolen by Killer Moth!

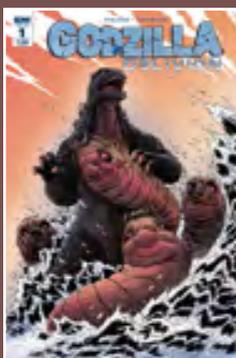
In Shops: **09/03/2016**



**3 DEVILS #1**  
Bo Hampton

A high-action, supernatural western centering around a pact of vengeance sworn by a tragically orphaned Gypsy girl, an ex-slave with no soul, and a carnival freak billed as the Human Wolf.

In Shops: **23/03/2016**



**GODZILLA: OBLIVION #1**

Joshua Hale Fialkov, Brian Churilla

A scientist has created a portal to another dimension where monsters rule supreme and Godzilla is the unrivaled King of the Monsters. Then a baby kaiju hitches a ride back to the original, monster-less dimension!

In Shops: **16/03/2016**



**MARS ATTACKS: OCCUPATION #1**

John Layman, Andy Kuhn

The Martians came, saw and conquered. Now the space invaders cruelly rule over humanity, which has no hope for liberation... until Ruby Johnson decides that she has had enough.

In Shops: **16/03/2016**



**GI JOE: DEVIATIONS**

Paul Allor, Corey Lewis

In a world... where Cobra rules the planet! Cobra Commander's forces have won, the entire planet Earth now submits to Cobra rule... but the burdens of ruling over billions of people make Cobra Commander anxious to the good old days. And he decides there's just one group that can bring chaos back to this totalitarian order: G.I. Joe!

In Shops: **16/03/2016**



**TEENAGE MUTANT NINJA TURTLES: DEVIATIONS**

Tom Waltz, Zach Howard

Find out what happens in a world... where the Shredder leads the Turtles! A twist on the classic "City Fall" storyline!

In Shops: **30/03/2016**



**TRANSFORMERS: DEVIATIONS**

Brandon Easton, Priscilla Tramontano

In a world... where Optimus Prime never died! One would stand and one would fall... and we all know Optimus Prime fell. But how would history have played out if he hadn't? Would the Autobots have still stood triumphant in their darkest hour... or would Unicron have reigned supreme?!

In Shops: **09/03/2016**



**X-FILES: DEVIATIONS**

Amy Chu, Elena Casagrande, Silvia Califano

In a world where young Fox Mulder was abducted by aliens and never returned, another Mulder takes up the crusade against deception! Meet Samantha Mulder, a believer who won't stop until she finds out the truth about her brother!

In Shops: **23/03/2016**

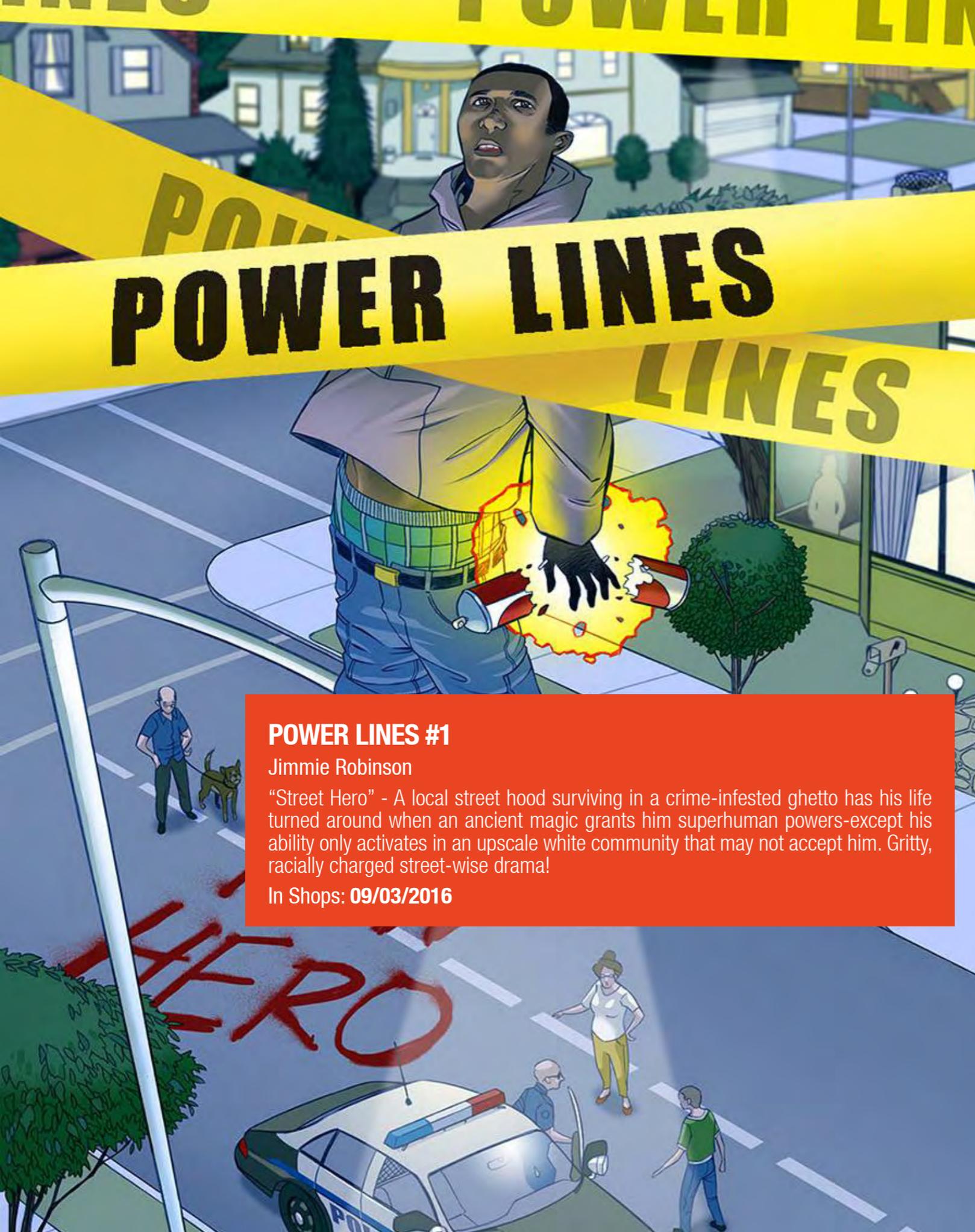
**IDW**  
NEW SERIES AND ONE-SHOTS FOR MARCH



**GHOSTBUSTERS: DEVIATIONS** Kelly Thompson, Nelson Daniel

In a world, where on that fateful day in New York, the Ghostbusters did not cross streams, and were thus unable to destroy Gozer or close his portal. Now, 31 days later, NYC has descended into chaos and ruin, ruled with the deliciously soft fist of... The Stay-Puft Marshmallow Man!

In Shops: **02/03/2016**



# POWER LINES

## POWER LINES #1

Jimmie Robinson

"Street Hero" - A local street hood surviving in a crime-infested ghetto has his life turned around when an ancient magic grants him superhuman powers-except his ability only activates in an upscale white community that may not accept him. Gritty, racially charged street-wise drama!

In Shops: **09/03/2016**



## 13TH ARTIFACT

Amit Chauhan,  
Eli Powell

2015 Top Cow Talent Hunt Winner!

Stranded on a mysterious alien planet after her shuttle crashes, astronaut Valentina Kedr is desperate to find a way to survive. With her oxygen rapidly running out, she decides to explore her new surroundings. Upon discovering a civilization on the planet, will her curiosity lead to her downfall?

In Shops: **02/03/2016**



## CIRCUIT BREAKER #1

Kevin McCarthy,  
Kyle Baker

When the heroic robots that saved Japan during World War IV are outlawed, they turn against mankind, waging a campaign of terror across the last city on Earth. Their creator builds one more soldier-disguised as his teenaged granddaughter-and tasks her with dismantling the marauding mechanical militia. But as she begins to question her programming, will she be the last hope for humanity, or the final nail in our coffin?

In Shops: **16/03/2016**

# IMAGE

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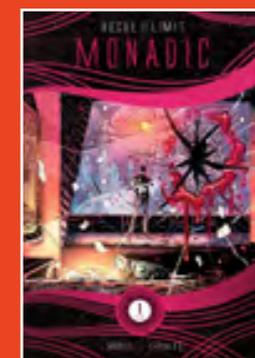


## THE DISCIPLINE #1

Peter Milligan,  
Leandro Fernandez

Between fighting her sister and hating her husband, Melissa still finds time to fall in lust with a stranger who's an awful lot more than he seems. What appears to be a simple seduction is revealed as something much darker and more dangerous. This controversial and erotically-charged tale of sex, death, and metamorphosis begins with an explosion of carnality and weirdness.

In Shops: **02/03/2016**



## ROCHE LIMIT: MONADIC #1

Michael Moreci,  
Kyle Charles

The critically-acclaimed sci-fi hit returns for its third and final arc!

Earth is in ruins after the Black Sun's annihilation of the planet. Now, in the last remaining human city, its inhabitants fight for survival while a chosen few realize that their world may not be what it seems.

In Shops: **16/03/2016**



## ALL NEW ALL DIFFERENT MARVEL UNIVERSE

Various

*Secret Wars* has ended, and the Marvel Universe has been reborn - better and brighter than ever before! To celebrate, Marvel is proud to present this all-new, all-different guide to the Universe! This edition includes brand-new profiles on Agents of S.H.I.E.L.D., Ms. Marvel, "Spider-Gwen" Stacy, Parker Industries, Ghost Rider and more! Plus updates on major characters starring in new titles - Iron Man, Ant-Man, Doctor Stephen Strange - and a global-sized entry for Doctor Doom's *Secret Wars* patchwork planet, Battleworld!

In Shops: **30/03/2016**



## BLACK WIDOW #1

Mark Waid ,  
Chris Samnee

The Eisner Award-winning team of Mark Waid and Chris Samnee are taking Black Widow on the lam! Natasha has spent years gathering secrets, and when some of the darkest ones begin mysteriously going public, no one is safe. With her betrayed former confederates at S.H.I.E.L.D. on her heels and a lifetime of training and ingenuity at her disposal, Natasha's out for answers in a knock-down-drag-out tale of action and espionage! Hidden enemies, old friends and unusual allies collide, and all eyes are on Black Widow. The chase is on!

In Shops: **02/03/2016**



## SPIDER- MAN AND SILK: THE SPIDERFLY EFFECT #1

Robbie Thompson,  
Todd Nauck

Spider-Man and Silk aren't necessarily pals right now, but they've got no choice but to work together when they accidentally travel back in time to just before they got their spider-powers! Now, they have to get along while stopping a threat to the timeline... without accidentally wiping out their own powers! Writer Robbie Thompson (*Silk*, *Venom: Spaceknight*) teams with artist Todd Nauck (*Nightcrawler*, *Amazing Spider-Man*) to bring us a tale of Amazing Anachronistic Arachnids! Collecting the first two chapters of the Infinite Comic series.

In Shops: **02/03/2016**



## AVENGERS STANDOFF: ASSAULT ON PLEASANT HILL ALPHA #1

Nick Spencer,

Pleasant Hill looks like the perfect small-town community, but underneath the surface, a deadly secret lurks. One so explosive it will draw estranged allies Steve Rogers and Sam Wilson back together to save a friend in danger and put things right. But when the combined might of the Captain Americas isn't enough, whom do they call? In the face of unspeakable evil, it's time for the Avengers to Assemble like never before! The blockbuster spring Avengers event starts right here!

In Shops: **02/03/2016**



## HAUNTED MANSION #1

Joshua  
Williamson,  
Jorge Coehlo

It seems that no one lives in the elegant mansion on the hill... but then where's that creepy organ music coming from? Are the iron gates meant to keep people out... or some things in? Get ready to meet the 999 ghosts of the Haunted Mansion... but be warned, they're looking for the 1000th! The delightfully chilling Disney attraction comes to (after)life in an all-new story, penned by Joshua Williamson with art by Jorge Coehlo!

In Shops: **09/03/2016**



## HYPERION #1

Chuck Wendig,  
Nicole Virella

Hyperion is back! Or is he? The high-powered hero is hiding in plain sight, driving a truck across the U.S. to learn about the country he has adopted. Along the way, he picks up a lone runaway named Doll, who has more baggage than he anticipated. Doll is in danger, chased by a pack of freaks and lunatics known as The Carnies. Will Hyperion reveal himself to save her? Maybe! Will he use a tractor trailer as a baseball bat? Probably!

In Shops: **23/03/2016**



# MARVEL

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### INFINITY ENTITY #1

Jim Starlin, Alan Davis

From the pages of *Thanos: The Infinity Relativity!* When last we saw Adam Warlock, he was a captive of Annihilus of the Negative Zone. So where does *The Infinity Entity #1* find him? Hanging with the original Avengers? Then things start getting weird. But what else would you expect from the cosmic team of Jim Starlin and Alan Davis? Guest starring the Guardians of the Galaxy.

In Shops: **09/03/2016**



★ COVER STAR ★  
**INTERNATIONAL IRON MAN #1**

Brian Michael Bendis, Alex Maleev

Who is Tony Stark, really? Since learning that he was adopted as a baby, this question has cast a shadow over Stark's life. Now, it is time to uncover what his legacy truly is, a journey that will carry Tony into new directions as a man and as a super hero. Alongside his strange new quasi-ally Doctor Doom, Iron Man will discover new things about the Marvel Universe he didn't know existed before! A character deconstruction from Bendis and Maleev along the lines of their award-winning *Daredevil* run!

In Shops: **16/03/2016**



### MARVEL UNIVERSE: CIVIL WAR #1

Joe Caramagna, Various

Avenger vs. Avenger! Thanos has been defeated, but the Avengers' biggest challenge may come from within their own ranks! Captain America makes a discovery that may tear the team apart! And: Witness the origin of one of the Avengers' greatest villains!

In Shops: **02/03/2016**



### MIRACLE MAN: SILVER AGE #1

Neil Gaiman, Mark Buckingham

Neil Gaiman and Mark Buckingham's unfinished storyline "*The Silver Age*" begins! Young Miracleman - the lost member of the Miracleman Family - is back! His last memories were of a 1963 world of joy and innocence. Now, he's been thrust into the 21st century, where his best friends have become gods and monsters. Remastered with stunning new artwork by Mark Buckingham! Including material originally presented in *Miracleman (1985) #23*, plus bonus content.

In Shops: **02/03/2016**

### MOCKINGBIRD #1

Chelsea Cain, Kate Niemczyk

Because you demanded it! Now in her own ongoing series! Bobbi Morse is Mockingbird, S.H.I.E.L.D.'s most versatile, most in-demand agent! But a string of missions gone wrong indicate that something strange is lurking within S.H.I.E.L.D.'s own medical and recovery network. How far will Mockingbird have to go in order to solve this puzzle box and get to the truth? Bestselling author Chelsea Cain teams with newcomer Kate Niemczyk.

In Shops: **02/03/2016**



### MARVEL UNIVERSE: CONTEST OF CHAMPIONS #1

Joe Caramagna, Various

The contest begins! A mysterious being is abducting Earth's heroes! Now, Spider-Man and the Avengers must battle their greatest foes for the fate of the planet! Be here for the start of the next great super hero crossover!

In Shops: **30/03/2016**



### X-MEN 92 #1

Chris Sims, Chad Bowers, Alti Firmansyah

The X-Men of the 90s are back! Continuing from the hit *Secret Wars* series starring the X-Men of a more extreme decade. With Cassandra Nova defeated, the X-Men have taken in all the young mutants she had rounded up and are officially reopening the Xavier School for Gifted Children... but being responsible won't stop them from having crazy adventures! Especially when Omega Red shows up with the (Formerly) Soviet Super Soldiers!

In Shops: **30/03/2016**

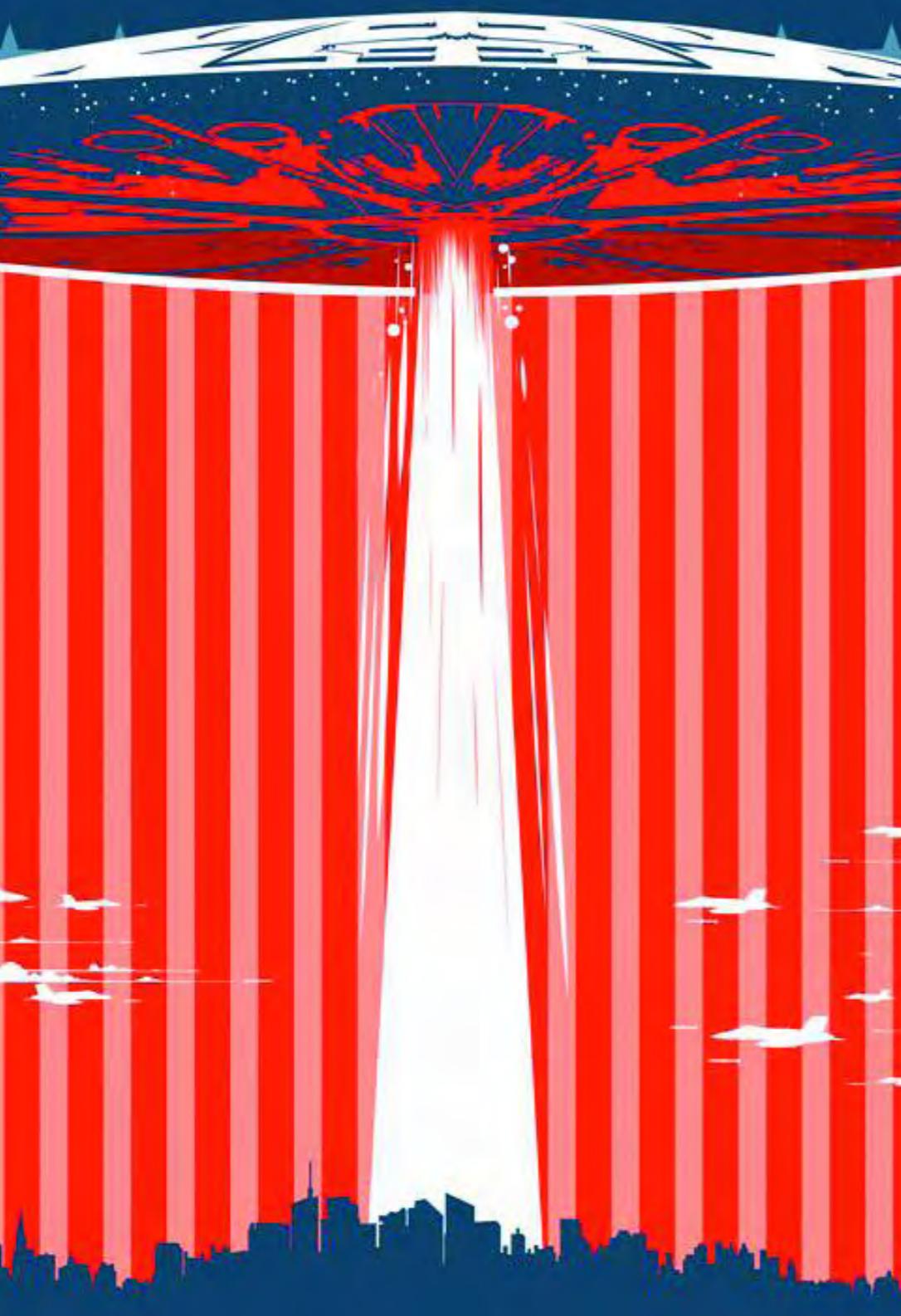


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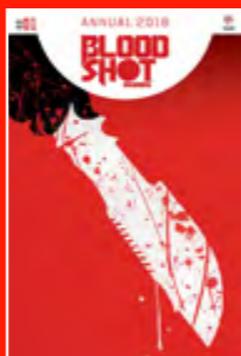
## INDEPENDENCE DAY #1

TITAN

Victor Gischler,  
Dennis Calero

As our world unites against invaders from beyond the stars, beneath the Atlantic Ocean another mysterious craft prompts a top-secret investigation by the US military, one which could prove the key to humanity's survival - or its ultimate destruction.

In Shops: **02/03/2016**



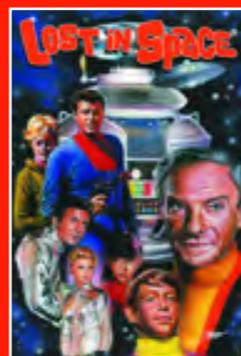
## BLOODSHOT REBORN: ANNUAL 2016 #1

VALIANT

Jeff Lemire,  
Kano, Various

Valiant's indestructible commando is gearing up for Valiant's first-ever annual with a 64-page bloodbath touring Bloodshot's past, present, and future! First: Terror doesn't wait for Friday at Camp Silver Lake in an extra-sized tale of summertime mayhem from New York Times best-selling writer Jeff Lemire and Valiant superstar Kano! A masked menace has stalked this camp for years, but what happens when one unstoppable killing machine comes up against another? Bloodshot is about to bring his bloody brand of justice to the quiet shores of Silver Lake to take on America's most notorious slasher! Then: Jeff Lemire presents a very special Bloodsquirt solo adventure, plus all-new stories from acclaimed creators and more!

In Shops: **23/03/2016**



## LOST IN SPACE #1

### AMERICAN GOTHIC

Holly Interlandi,  
Carey Wilber,  
Kostas Pantoulas

Irwin Allen's legendary sci-fi property returns! Before being prematurely canceled during its third season, *Lost In Space* had several screenplays lined up and ready to film. These are those lost episodes, adapted for comics from screenwriter Carey Wilber's original teleplays! First up is "The Curious Galactics", a three-part tale that sends John Robinson, Will Robinson, and Major Don West from a run-of-the-mill radar scouting mission into a potentially deadly alien maze.

In Shops: **09/03/2016**



## LORDS OF THE JUNGLE #1

DYNAMITE

Corinna Bechko,  
Roberto Castro

Tarzan has long been the protector of his jungle stronghold, but this time the fight has to be taken to his enemy's territory, deep in the heart of London. Half a world away and nearly a century later, Sheena is battling foes of her own when she is mysteriously swept through time and space to 1930's Africa, leaving her own land unprotected. Will these two Lords of the Jungle find enough common ground to join forces? Or will the resulting culture clash lead to mutual destruction?

In Shops: **16/03/2016**



## TURNCOAT #1

### BOOM!

Alex Paknadel,  
Artyom  
Trakhanov

Three hundred years ago humanity was brutally subjugated by the alien race known as the Management. They abandoned Earth two years ago to return to their home world. Following her participation in the brutal massacre of human-alien hybrids left behind by the Management, resistance fighter Marta Gonzalez declines to join the new human government and starts her own private detective agency instead. But the transition from oppression to emancipation is anything but clean.

In Shops: **16/03/2016**



## SANTERIA: GODDESS KISS #1

ASPEN

David Wohl,  
Giuseppe Cafaro

Life hurts more than death. A new Aspen series debuts in 2016 from the creator of *Executive Assistant: Iris* and *Witchblade* and the artist of *Fathom: Kiani*. This new tale spans centuries, deep within the heart of the ancient civilizations of Africa... while in Spanish Harlem, emergency medical techs Michael and Naomi are working the violent and unpredictable streets daily. However, nothing can prepare the duo as a routine police shooting reveals something far more powerful and dangerous for Naomi's future!

In Shops: **16/03/2016**

# INDIES

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## VAMPIRELLA VOL.3 #1

**DYNAMITE**

Kate Leth, Eman Casallos

Vampirella takes Hollywood in this new adventure of the classic demon-hunting, monster-slaying, thrill-seeking vampire queen. When her stately manor is attacked, she begins to unravel a plot as old as the silver screen, discovering what monsters really lurk in the shadows of the City of Angels. Writer Kate Leth (*Adventure Time*, *Edward Scissorhands*) says, "Can Vampirella be both a cult icon on the rise and take down an empire of ghouls and ghosts? Signs point to: Hell, yes!"

In Shops: **02/03/2016**



## HELLCHILD #1

**ZENESCOPE**

Joe Brusha,  
Ralph Tedesco,  
Antonio Bifulco

Series premiere! Angelica Blackstone is half-Greek god, half-vampire, and she's pissed! When she is brought back from the dead and given a new lease on life by monster hunter Liesel Van Helsing, Angelica joins a gang of Viking vampire junkies living in the underbelly of New York City. But she has a hell of an ax to grind with her absentee father, Hades, who she blames for her death. All hell is about to break loose! This March, the newest badass hero arrives in the Grimm Universe... Angelica Blackstone is the Hellchild.

In Shops: **23/03/2016**



## BAKER STREET PECILIARS #1

**BOOM!**

Roger Langridge,  
Andy Hirsch

It's a lovely day in 1930s London, right up until a giant stone lion comes to life and starts wrecking the city! It seems like the perfect case for the world's most famous detective, Sherlock Holmes. Of course, Sherlock Holmes doesn't actually exist; he is a fictional character created by housekeeper Mrs. Hudson, who has been the real detective all along, writing Holmes' adventures under the pen name of John Watson and running around the city in disguise. With an overwhelmed case load she'll need the help of a precocious bunch of young detectives-in-training to solve the mystery of the living statues. Baker Street will never be the same!

In Shops: **09/03/2016**

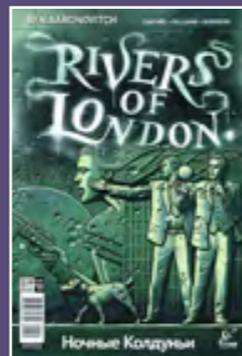


## A+A #1 VALIANT

Rafer Roberts,  
David LaFuente

Archer is about to set off on his most dangerous mission yet - a quest into the mystic reaches of Armstrong's bottomless satchel to liberate his friend and comrade from the clutches of the mad god Bacchus who has been imprisoned there for centuries! Can Archer single-handedly combat the godly embodiment of intoxication himself - and rescue his best buddy - without becoming lost amongst Armstrong's endless repository of bizarre artifacts and historical oddities in the process?

In Shops: **16/03/2016**



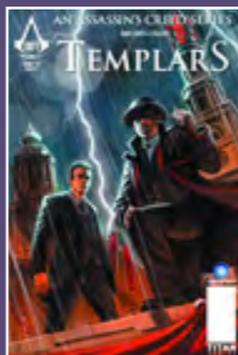
## RIVERS OF LONDON: THE NIGHT WITCH #1

**TITAN**

Ben Aaronovitch,  
Various

A police vehicle on a routine prison transfer in north London is stormed by Russian hoodlums seeking to free a very particular prisoner. Their target is a witch. A very powerful witch who doesn't want to be free. Things rapidly turn very ugly for the hoods and it's soon a job for full-time police constable and part-time wizard, Peter Grant. Covers by Paul McCaffrey, Alex Ronald, and Lee Sullivan.

In Shops: **16/03/2016**



## ASSASSIN'S CREED: TEMPLARS #1

**TITAN**

Fred Van Lente,  
Dennis Calero

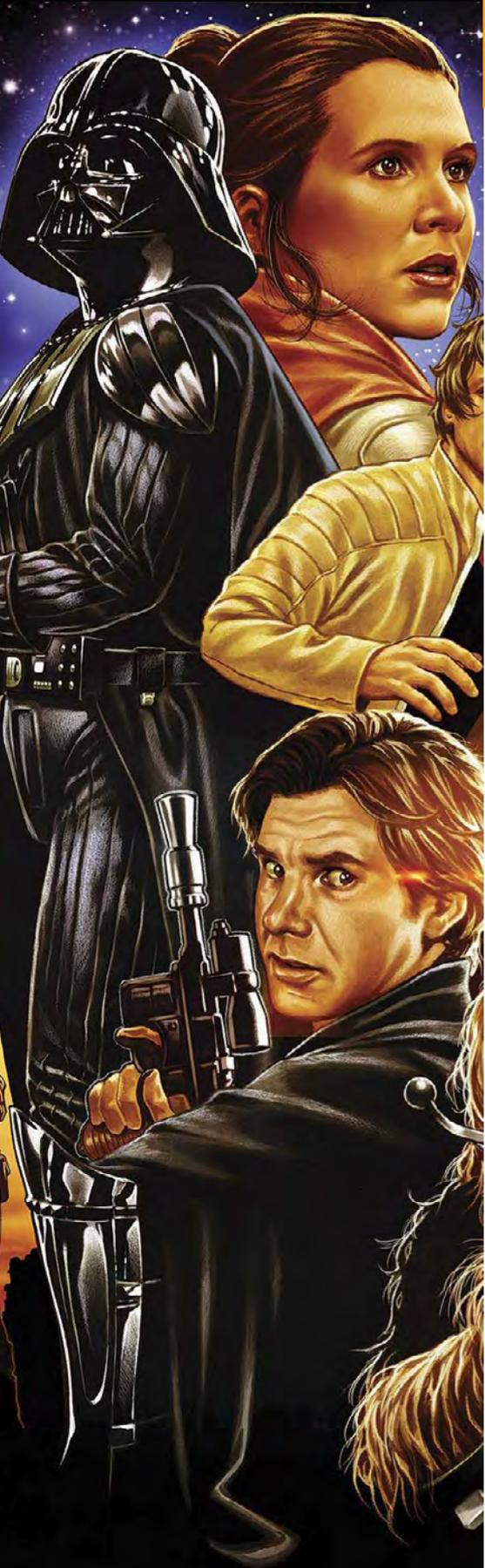
All-new adventures from the world of *Assassin's Creed*. In 1927 Darius Gift arrived in Shanghai on his first assignment for the Templar Order. A minor misstep means he soon finds himself mixed up in the shadowy underworld of the International Settlement, and mixed up with the mysterious, enigmatic, Black Cross.

In Shops: **23/03/2016**



# NOVEL IDEAS

NEW GRAPHIC NOVELS AND COLLECTED EDITIONS ARRIVING FROM MARCH ONWARDS...



**STAR WARS:  
VADER DOWN**  
MARVEL  
Various

Two of the biggest titles in comics collide in the first crossover of the new Marvel age of *Star Wars*! When Darth Vader accidentally finds himself facing off against the rebel fleet on his own, he is sent crashing onto a nearby planet. Will the rebels seize this opportunity to put an end to one of their greatest enemies - or will they be made to feel the full power of the dark side? The Sith Lord may be down, but he isn't out!

Collecting *Star Wars: Vader Down*, *Star Wars (2015) #13-14* and *Darth Vader #13-15*.

In Shops: **20/04/2016**



**STAR TREK /  
GREEN LANTERN:  
SPECTRUM WAR**  
IDW  
Johnson, Hernandez,  
Molnar, Bonvillain

Two iconic franchises collide for this blockbuster crossover event! The crew of the U.S.S. Enterprise meets the Green Lantern Corps for the first time in an all-new adventure that spans the cosmos! Kirk and Spock make a most unusual discovery on a lost world... igniting events that will change the fate of empires!

In Shops: **06/03/2016**



**DC / DARK  
HORSE: ALIENS**  
DC  
Various

The stories that brought the dread Aliens into the DC Universe are collected in this new title! First, Batman follows the trail from his home turf to the Amazon jungle to discover the horror of the Aliens-but how can even the Dark Knight stop them? Then, an Alien is discovered in a Gotham City construction site-and it's going to wreak havoc on Arkham Asylum! Plus, can the WildC.A.T.s survive a battle with the Aliens-when StormWatch has already fallen?

In Shops: **27/04/2016**

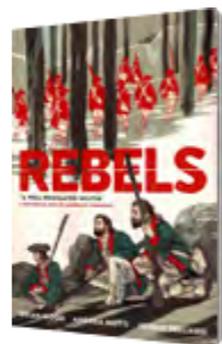


**SAVAGE SWORD  
OF CONAN  
VOL.22**  
DARK HORSE  
Various

Conan crosses paths with Valeria, a former pirate comrade as formidable as she is beautiful. When their mercenary band is fallen upon and captured by seemingly deathless Darfari warriors, there is only one way out for Conan and company-Conan must kill the moon!

Collects Conan stories from Marvel's *The Savage Sword of Conan the Barbarian #223-#235*.

In Shops: **18/05/2016**

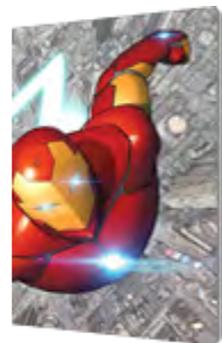


**REBELS  
VOL.1: WELL  
REGULATED  
MILITIA**  
DARK HORSE  
Wood, Mutti, Various

This is 1775. With the War for Independence playing out across the colonies, Seth and Mercy Abbott find their new marriage tested at every turn as the demands of the frontlines and the home front collide. *Rebels* details the epic story of the colonists who, in a few short, turbulent years, created the nation of America.

Collects *Rebels #1-10*.

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**INVINCIBLE  
IRON MAN:  
VOL.1: REBOOT  
(HC)**  
MARVEL  
Various

One of the most popular super heroes in the world soars to fresh heights! Tony Stark has a new armor, a new supporting cast, new villains and a new purpose that's going to tear itself across the entire Marvel Universe and beyond. It begins with a shocker of a twist and only gets more surprising from there, with the return of one of Tony's biggest nemeses and the quest to find his biological parents!

Collecting *Invincible Iron Man (2015) #1-5*.

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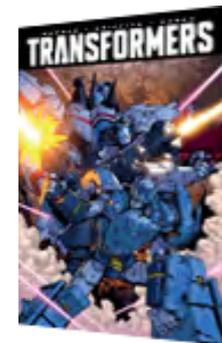


**TOKYO GHOST:  
VOL.1: ATOMIC  
GARDEN**  
IMAGE  
Remender, Murphy,  
Hollingsworth

The Isles of Los Angeles 2089: humanity is addicted to technology. Getting a virtual buzz is the only thing left to live for, and gangsters run it all. Who do these gangsters turn to when they need their rule enforced? Constables Led Dent and Debbie Decay are about to be given a job that will force them out of the familiar squalor of LA and into the last tech-less country on Earth: The Garden Nation of Tokyo.

Collects *Tokyo Ghost #1-5*.

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**TRANS  
FORMERS:  
VOL.8**  
IDW  
Barber, Ramondelli,  
Griffith

The Combiner Wars are over, and Optimus Prime faces the aftermath. Meanwhile, Arcee confronts Galvatron; Soundwave and Cosmos come face to face; Tracks and Needlenose meet up again; and Jetfire and Kup lead a team to investigate the mysterious Onyx system.

Collects issues #42-45.

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# NOVEL IDEAS

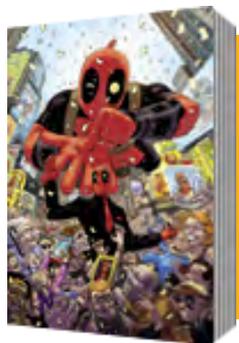
NEW GRAPHIC NOVELS AND COLLECTED EDITIONS  
ARRIVING FROM MARCH ONWARDS...



**FABLES:  
DELUXE EDITION  
VOL.12 (HC)**  
DC VERTIGO  
Willingham,  
Buckingham

In these stories from issues #101-113, Mister Dark has risen again, more powerful than ever. The Fables are down to their last defenses-looks like it's time for Super Fables! But what happens when the tights and capes are stored away? Bigby and Snow White's cubs try to move forward after learning a hard lesson about life and death.

In Shops: **18/05/2016**



**DEADPOOL  
VOL.1:  
MILLIONAIRE-  
WITH-A-MOUTH**  
MARVEL  
Various

The Merc with a Mouth is now the most popular hero in the world. Eat that, Spidey! But with great popularity comes overbearing responsibility, so Wade has called in a little help being him. You won't believe - or recognize - who he signed up! But when an imposter sets out to ruin Wade Wilson, our hero has the perfect bait to lure the baddie out: his innocent daughter, Ellie!

Collecting *Deadpool (2015) #1-6* and #3.1: *Tres Punto Uno*.

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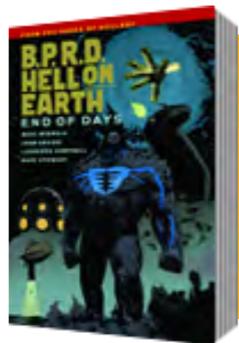


**AMAZING  
SPIDER-MAN  
VOL.1:  
WORLDWIDE**  
MARVEL  
Various

The world's greatest super hero goes global! Parker Industries is more successful than ever, with new offices in Shanghai, London and San Francisco. Peter Parker is racking up the frequent-flyer miles - with his "bodyguard" Spider-Man in tow! But success breeds enemies, like the astrological Zodiac who have widened their scope to threaten the entire Earth. Join Dan Slott and Giuseppe Camuncoli as they take Spider-Man to the next level!

Collecting *Amazing Spider-Man (2015) #1-5*.

In Shops: **06/04/2016**



**BPRD - HELL  
ON EARTH  
VOL.13: END OF  
DAYS**  
DARK HORSE  
Mignola, Arcudi

The Hell on Earth as we know it comes to an end. In a drastic change, one of the most terrifying creatures in existence has been released. Can the BPRD defend the world-and humanity- or is this finally the end?

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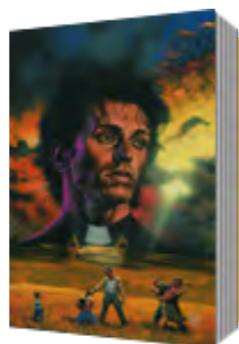
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**DANGER GIRL:  
REGEADE**  
IDW  
Hartnell, Molnar,  
Campbell

Abbey Chase is renowned across the globe as a brilliant young archaeologist and (a bit less renowned) as a member of the super-secret spy organization known as Danger. But what set of circumstances lead Abbey to become who she is-who trained and shaped her into this remarkable person? Now, for the first time ever, *Danger Girl* readers will find the answer to these questions and more.

In Shops: **16/03/2016**



**ABSOLUTE  
PREACHER  
VOL.1 (HC)**  
DC VERTIGO  
Ennis, Dillon, Fabry

*Preacher #1-26* are collected in this new Absolute edition!

Merging with a bizarre force called Genesis, preacher Jesse Custer possesses the power of "The Word," an ability to make people do whatever he utters! Joined by his gun-toting girlfriend Tulip and hard-drinking vampire Cassidy, Custer begins a violent and riotous journey across the country to find God.

In Shops: **06/07/2016**



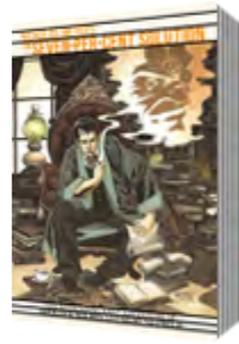
**PAPER GIRLS  
VOL.1**  
IMAGE  
Vaughan, Chiang,  
Wilson

From Brian K. Vaughan, #1 New York Times bestselling writer of *Saga* and *The Private Eye*, and Cliff Chiang, legendary artist of *Wonder Woman*, comes the first volume of an all-new ongoing adventure.

In the early hours after Halloween of 1988, four 12-year-old newspaper delivery girls uncover the most important story of all time. Suburban drama and otherworldly mysteries collide in this smash-hit series about nostalgia, first jobs, and the last days of childhood.

Collects *Paper Girls #1-5*.

In Shops: **30/03/2016**



**SHERLOCK  
HOLMES: SEVEN  
PER-CENT  
SOLUTION**  
IDW  
Tipton, Various

The best-selling *Sherlock Holmes* novel by writer/director Nicholas Meyer comes to comics! The real story behind Sherlock Holmes' final confrontation with Professor Moriarty is at long last revealed! Who is the real Moriarty? Why did Holmes disappear for so long? The game is afoot!

In Shops: **09/03/2016**





# BIFF'S BIT

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## DAVID BOWIE: 1947 TO 2016

I got up to write my ramble for the month to find that David Bowie had passed away. Yet another person beaten by cancer. Whilst fighting it, he did produce a new album, *Black Star*, released just two days before he died. Initial reviews suggest that the album is one of his best.

I had been listening to a Bowie track on the radio the day before and made a mental note to dust off my old albums - yes I still listen to vinyl - and revisit *Hunky Dory* and *Ziggy Stardust*. Those two albums featured heavily in the musical score of my teenage years. Bowie, Camel and Pink Floyd heavily influenced me during the 1970s. Tears did well up as I listened to the various eulogies and my thoughts turned back forty years.

Back then, reading comics meant finding the correct music to do the comic justice. Camel and Pink Floyd were the back drop to my reading of *Warlock*, *Captain Marvel* and *Star Lord*. When reading *Iron Man*, I became obsessed with listening to Black Sabbath. Once I heard their *Iron Man* track it had to be played nearly every time an issue came out! Don McGregor's *Jungle Action* needed great thought before choosing a track. The huge number of caption panels and the classic references we



The visual appearance of Neil Gaiman's Lucifer was famously based on David Bowie, at Gaiman's insistence

would allude to meant that significant thought must be given to any comic he wrote and especially the music to listen to it with.

In those days there was much discussion in the original paper *Illuminations* letter pages of fellow Acers' particular preferences.

I suppose that when reading any of the new Marvel titles, the Bowie track *Changes* may be required ...well, at least today.

Spare a moment when you read this, which may be many days after his death, and remember the many

different styles of music Bowie embraced and innovated. His influence on modern culture and music cannot be denied.

Rest In Peace.

## A QUICK BOOST FOR COMICS...

*Invincible Iron Man* came out on January 6th. I almost raced home to sit down and read what is my number one series of the moment. This has to be, in my opinion, the best Marvel

comic that Brian Michael Bendis has written, and he has written a few. His take on Tony Stark is my take, his *Madam Masque* was my *Madam Masque* and the all new *Victor Von Doom* was exquisitely introduced. At present I am not sure if he is a good guy or a bad guy, but a superb revisit to a somewhat overused character. All that and the return of *Mary Jane Watson*! This old *Marvelite* was extremely happy.

Add to this the new *Daredevil*, which is also on top form, with brilliant characterisation and beautiful art -

one could be excused for thinking that Marvel have got it all correct.

I know they haven't as I have read *Squadron Supreme #1* and *#2*. Nuff said.

*Teaser Alert! The Ace Awards 2016 are coming...*

# TOP 20 GRAPHIC NOVELS

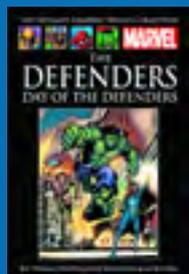
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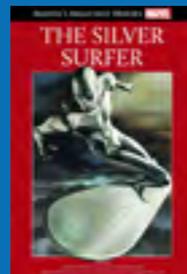
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