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AND MORE!



# DARK HORSE

NEW SERIES AND ONE-SHOTS FOR APRIL



## ALIENS: DEFIANCE #1

Brian Wood,  
Tristan Jones,  
Massimo  
Carnevale

Battling demons from her past while fighting for her life, Colonial Marine Private First Class Zula Hendricks, in the company of Weyland-Yutani synthetics, is forced to question her strength and loyalty when the discovery of an insidious alien species on a derelict hauler sends her on a dangerous journey across the stars.

In Shops: 27/04/2016



## DEPT H #1

Matt Kindt

Mia is a special investigator hired to uncover possible sabotage taking place at a deep-sea research station. What she finds is a mind-blowing crime scene filled with suspects with terrible secrets, strange deep-sea creatures, and an impending flood!

In Shops: 20/04/2016



## BALTIMORE: EMPTY GRAVES #1

Mike Mignola,  
Christopher  
Golden, Peter  
Bergting, Ben  
Stenbeck

With no bodies to bury, Baltimore lays to rest the memories of good friends, while the strange worshipers of the Red King make use of the corpses of his fallen allies.

In Shops: 06/04/2016



## HOUSE OF PENANCE #1

Peter J. Tomasi,  
Ian Bertram

The Winchester House - famous for its original owner's bizarre compulsion to incorporate a multitude of architectural curiosities. But as the bereaved Sarah Winchester's workers toil on stairways to nothing and doors to nowhere, a mysterious stranger arrives... and he could make Sarah's demons all too real.

In Shops: 13/04/2016



## BLOOD-LINES #1

J. T. Krul, V.  
Kenneth Marion

When a meteor crashes to Earth, bringing with it an unspeakable alien presence that terrorizes a nearby small town, the lucky ones die first. As for the rest, they find themselves locked in a hellish struggle for control of their bodies and their minds. This isn't just an invasion. It's an infestation. What would you do if the greatest threat to humanity was hidden away inside you?

Award-winning writer J.T. Krul and superstar-in-the-making V. Ken Marion bring you their dark and horrifying science-fiction epic about tortured souls who are cursed to a fate worse than death... much worse.

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



## HARLEY QUINN AND HER GANG OF HARLEYS #1

Frank Tieri,  
Jimmy Palmiotti

Straight from the pages of *Harley Quinn* comes the story of her strange new army of assistants, the Gang of Harleys! In this new miniseries, they've been on the job for just a few months, and the Gang is ready to stand up and show what they can do without Harley... and they just might have to, because Harley's been kidnapped! The Gang's homes, their loved ones—they're all in danger from a strange new villain with a very personal grudge against Harley!

In Shops: **13/04/2016**

## HARLEY QUINN: APRIL FOOLS SPECIAL

Rob Williams, Jim Lee, Scott Williams

Dr. Harleen Frances Quinzel, M.D., welcomes you to Evil Anonymous, the support group for super villains in need; where no problem is too insane or homicidal, and where discretion is assured as only a clown princess of crime can—which is to say, not at all. But when Harley Quinn starts using her patients' own evil schemes against them, it turns out that a much bigger, far more dangerous, and truly life-altering joke is being played on her.

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



# IDW

## NEW SERIES AND ONE-SHOTS FOR APRIL



### DUNGEONS & DRAGONS #1

Jim Zub, Nelson Daniel, Max Dunbar

Minsc and Boo are back! And things have never looked more dire, as mysterious forces draw the legendary ranger and his crew of adventurers to Ravenloft, the Realm of Terror... where they find themselves face to face with undead horrors in the land of eternal night!

In Shops: 20/04/2016



### HOT DAMN #1

Ryan Ferrier, Valentin Ramon

The masterminds of *D4VE* reunite with *Hot Damn*, and they're taking you straight to Hell. Hard living catches up to Teddy, and eternal damnation awaits—but it's nothing like the good book tells you. Hell is a therapy session you can never leave...

In Shops: 20/04/2016

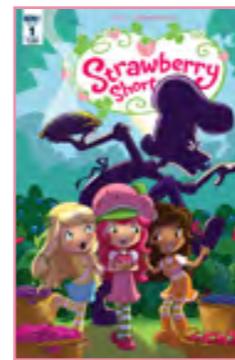


### MICRO-NAUTS #1

Cullen Bunn, David Baldeon, J. H. Williams III

They came from a dying universe! Acroyear, Space Glider, Biotron and their allies are back, on the run from the evil Baron Karza, and blasting through a universe where magic and science vie for control! With resources dwindling, the long-lost Time Travelers may hold the key to salvation... but will it mean armageddon for our world?

In Shops: 27/04/2016



### STRAWBERRY SHORTCAKE #1

Georgia Ball, Amy Mebberson

Strawberry Shortcake returns to comics! And along with her comes the return of one of her most nefarious foes, the Purple Pie Man! Join us for the launch of this berry special two-part story re-introducing everyone's favorite bad baker to the current Strawberry Shortcake mythos!

In Shops: 27/04/2016



### STAR TREK: MANIFEST DESTINY #1

Mike Johnson, Ryan Parrott, Angel Hernandez

Celebrate the 50th Anniversary of the *Star Trek* franchise in 2016 with this all-new bi-weekly comics event beginning in April! It's Captain Kirk and the Enterprise crew vs. the Klingons in the ultimate showdown! Art by *Star Trek* / *Green Lantern* fan-favorite Angel Hernandez!

In Shops: 13/04/2016



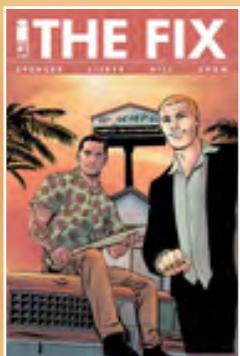
### THE X-FILES #1

Joe Harris, Matthew Dow Smith, Menton3

Thirteen years after the original series run, *The X-Files* has enjoyed a momentous return to television in a thrilling event series from creator/executive producer Chris Carter. Now, with the participation of Carter, IDW Publishing is proud to bring to comics the continuing adventures of iconic FBI Agents Fox Mulder and Dana Scully!

Based on the show, which has returned to television, the new ongoing series starts here!

In Shops: 20/04/2016



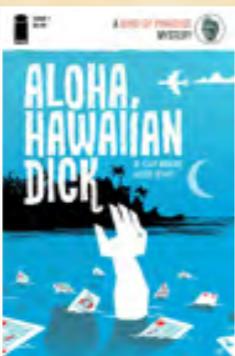
### THE FIX #1

Nick Spencer,  
Steve Lieber

A story of the crooked cops, scheming mobsters, and corrupt politicians that run things - and the sex toy that can bring them all down. Oh, and the hero is a drug-sniffing beagle named Pretzels. Bad people do bad things to each other in this frenetic, outrageous, sometimes off-putting new caper!

If you liked classic crime comics like *Criminal* and *100 Bullets* we apologize in advance for letting you down!

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



### ALOHA, HAWAIIAN DICK #1

B. Clay Moore,  
Jacob Wyatt,  
Sean K. Dove

The critically-acclaimed tropical noir returns for a brand new series!

While Byrd remains in 1954 Hawaii, we meet another Byrd back in the States, and his impending arrival on the scene is destined to change the landscape of *Hawaiian Dick* forever.

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



### BLACK ROAD #1

Brian Wood,  
Garry Brown,  
Dave McCaig

Meet Magnus the Black, neither clean nor sober, neither Christian nor Pagan, but a man true to his word. When a ranking official under his care is brutally murdered, he's prepared to hunt the killers to the frozen tip of Norway, religious war be damned.

*Northlanders* creator Brian Wood returns to the Viking genre along with artist Garry Brown (*The Massive*, *Catwoman*) and Dave McCaig (*Batman*, *American Vampire*) in this all-new series.

In Shops: **13/04/2016**



### CHEW: DEMON CHICKEN POYO #1

John Layman,  
Rob Guillory

The final episode of the groundbreaking and historic *Poyo* trilogy: *Demon Chicken Poyo*.

Hell wants him. Heaven won't take him. Earth needs him. That was also the tagline for that godawful *Constantine* movie. But Poyo is so badass, he stole it from Keanu Reeves!

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



### LAZARUS SOURCE BOOK VOL.1

Greg Rucka,  
Michael Lark,  
Owen Freeman,  
Eric Trautmann,  
Various

"Carlyle". Following the revelations of "Poison" and leading into the bloody events of "Cull" with *Lazarus* #22 in May, a new look at the world of Lazarus: What's it like to live life under the Carlyle regime? This is where you find out!

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



### THINK TANK: CREATIVE DESTRUCTION #1

Matt Hawkins,  
Rahsan Ekedal

Now an ongoing series!

An unknown enemy destroys the technological infrastructure of the United States. Panic and conspiracy theories spread as David Loren and his misfit science team continue work on the TALOS project, trying to make "Iron Man" suits a reality in California.

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

**IMAGE**  
NEW SERIES AND ONE-SHOTS FOR APRIL

# MARVEL

NEW SERIES AND ONE-SHOTS FOR APRIL



## BLACK PANTHER #1

Ta-Nehisi Coates, Brian Stelfreeze

The indomitable will of Wakanda, the famed African nation known for its vast wealth, advanced technology and warrior traditions, has long been reflected in the will of its monarchs, the Black Panthers. But now the current Black Panther, T'Challa, finds that will tested by a superhuman terrorist group called The People that has sparked a violent uprising among the citizens of Wakanda. T'Challa knows the country must change to survive - the question is, will the Black Panther survive the change?

Written by MacArthur Genius and National Book Award winner Ta-Nehisi Coates (*Between the World and Me*) and illustrated by living legend Brian Stelfreeze.

In Shops: 06/04/2016



## EMPRESS #1

Mark Millar, Stuart Immonen

Imagine you're married to the worst bad guy from your favorite sci-fi movie. An alien dictator feared throughout the universe, who will kill you if you leave, but you need to escape for the sake of your three children. All you have are your wits, your bodyguard, and three guns. Welcome to *Empress*, your new favorite comic.

In Shops: 06/04/2016



## MOON KNIGHT #1

Jeff Lemire, Greg Smallwood

Marc Spector (a.k.a. Moon Knight/ Jake Lockley/Steven Grant) has been fighting criminals and keeping New York City safe for years... or has he? When he wakes up in an insane asylum with no powers and a lifetime's worth of medical records, his whole identity (identities) are called into question. Something is wrong, but is that something Marc Spector himself?

Jeff Lemire (*Extraordinary X-Men*) and rising star Greg Smallwood are calling everything you know about *Moon Knight* into question.

In Shops: 13/04/2016



## STAR WARS: POE DAMERON #1

Charles Soule, Phil Noto

An all-new ongoing series spinning out of *Star Wars: The Force Awakens!*

Poe Dameron, former Republic flyer turned Resistance fighter, is the best pilot in the galaxy. Hand-picked for the resistance by General Leia Organa to lead a squadron on a top secret and vital mission... Poe sets off investigating sites of historical importance to the Force.

Revealing backstory leading directly into the holidays' greatest adventure, follow Poe and his X-Wing squadron on covert missions against the First Order brought to you by writer Charles Soule (*Star Wars: Lando, Daredevil*) and artist Phil Noto (*Star Wars: Chewbacca, Black Widow*)!

In Shops: 06/04/2016



## DARK TOWER: DRAWING OF THREE - BITTER MEDICINE #1

Various

A brand new chapter in the Susannah Dean story begins here!

The Gunslinger has taken Odetta Holmes to Midworld to join his quest to reach the Dark Tower! But little do Roland and Eddie know that Odetta has a dark side that poses a threat to all of Midworld!

In Shops: 13/04/2016



## GWENPOOL #1

Christopher Hastings, Gurihiru

2015's internet sensation gets her own ongoing series! Gwen Poole used to be a comic book reader just like you... until she woke up in a world where the characters she read about seemed to be real! But they can't be, right? This must all be fake, or a dream or something, right? And you know what that means... No consequences! Could Gwenpool truly be Marvel's least responsible and least role-modely character to date? She can if she tries!

In Shops: 13/04/2016





### A YEAR OF MARVEL'S AMAZING #1

Ryan North,  
Amy Chu, Bruce  
Bezaire, Various

Join us in a brand new Marvel comics adventure as your favorite heroes journey through the calendar year one month at a time!

It's February and Peter Parker's got a hot date, but the old Parker luck hits hard... and so does the bank-robbing villain The Vulture! It's a tale of romance, adventure, and punching! From Ryan North (*Squirrel Girl*) and Danilo Beyruth! When business is down in March, Scott Lang's Ant-Man Security Solutions will take just about any job offered to them - including stealing back stolen goods! But all is not as it seems! Join writer Amy Chu (*Poison Ivy*) and artist Ryan Browne (*Secret Wars Too*) as they team together for this Spring Break themed heist!

In Shops: 27/04/2016



### CAPTAIN AMERICA: THE ROAD TO WAR #1

Will Pilgrim,  
Andrea Di Vito,  
Ron Lim

Captain America and Black Widow must train the new Avengers recruits to work together as a team. Their first mission: stop the giant robot, Ultimo! Featuring Scarlet Witch, Vision, Falcon and War Machine! Bonus *Tales Of Suspense* #58 included.

In Shops: 20/04/2016



### DOCTOR STRANGE: LAST DAYS OF MAGIC #1

Jason Aaron,  
Mike Perkins

This companion to the "Last Days Of Magic" epic! The Empirikul, led by The Imperator, are destroying all magic and magic users in the Marvel Universe. Jason Aaron brings you Doctor Strange and Wong's secret history and the ultimate sacrifice that Wong makes! Gerry Duggan shows Brother Voodoo's stand against the evil magic-eaters. James Robinson introduces a new magic figure in the Marvel Universe just in time for her last stand!

In Shops: 27/04/2016



### SPIDER-WOMAN: ALPHA #1

Vanessa R. Del  
Rey, Yasmine  
Putri, Various

"Spider-Women", Part 1!

The Spider-Event of 2016 is here, bringing Spider-Gwen, Silk and Spider-Woman together for a story too big for any one of their books! Spider-Woman is taking a mentor-role with Silk and Spider-Gwen, and the three spider-heroes take a brunch break on Gwen's Earth-65. But when the nefarious spy organization S.I.L.K. and their leader (Earth-65's Cindy Moon) notice the interdimensional interlopers, all of Jessica Drew's plans go wrong.

In Shops: 06/04/2016

# INDIES

NEW SERIES AND ONE-SHOTS FOR APRIL



## VIKINGS #1

### TITAN

Cavan Scott,  
Staz Johnson,  
Various

From the chronicles of the History Channel's truly epic series *Vikings* comes a new saga of glory and plunder!

Ragnar, Lagertha, Rollo, and their legendary kin sail once more for England and run straight into a shield wall of politics, intrigue, betrayal and, of course, axe-wielding, blood-spraying, sword-swinging combat!

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



## STARGATE: ATLANTIS - BACK TO PEGASUS #1

### A.M.

Mark L. Haynes,  
J. C. Vaughn

*Stargate: Atlantis* is back with a brand new monthly comic book series that continues the television series continuity and is jam packed with fun extras!

Following the destruction of the Super Hive ship, Atlantis and her crew find themselves stranded on Earth. But a startling discovery sends the team in search of a new Gate system and reveals that the horrors of the Pegasus Galaxy are not far away. A new threat rises to challenge the crew and stop the city from returning to its rightful place. Come with us on this new comic book season of *Stargate: Atlantis* and join the fight to get #BackToPegasus!

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



## GOLD KEY: ALLIANCE #1

### DYNAMITE

Phil Hester,  
Brent Peeples,  
Felipe Massafra

Turok, Dinosaur Hunter. Magnus, Robot Fighter. Solar, Man of the Atom. The Mighty Samson. The legendary heroes whose adventures have thrilled comic book readers for over half a century are back, only this time they all share the same time and the same world - ours! In this breakneck first issue, each warrior wrestles with the perils of the twenty-first century, but a greater evil is approaching, one that will unify the legendary champions in a struggle that will change each forever.

Join Eisner-nominated writer Phil Hester (*Wonder Woman*, *Green Arrow*, *The Bionic Man*) and rising star artist Brent Peeples (*Last of the Greats*, *Legenderry: Green Hornet*) for the latest and greatest chapter in the *Gold Key* saga.

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



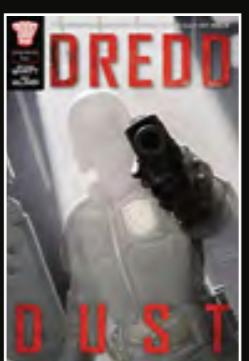
## BRUCE LEE: THE DRAGON RISES #1

### DARBY POP

Jeff Kline,  
Shannon Lee

Bruce Lee never died. And he hasn't aged. But, Bruce has no idea who he is or why so many "thugs" want a piece of him. Co-written by Bruce's daughter, Shannon Lee, and Jackie Chan Adventures executive producer Jeff Kline. With alternate Frank Cho cover. Double-sized first issue!

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



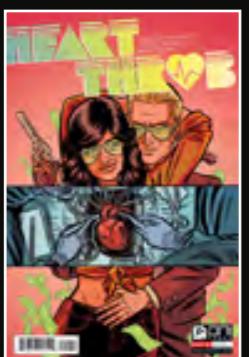
## DREDD: DUST #1

### 2000AD

Arthur Wyatt,  
Ben Willsher,  
Ryan Brown

When Judge Dredd is called to a ruthless gang slaying, it seems a vigilante is at work, but a residue of dust left behind indicate that this is no ordinary perp and Dredd's quest for answers leads beyond the walls of Mega-City One and into the inhospitable irradiated wasteland called The Cursed Earth! "Dust" is the latest comic-book sequel to the critically-acclaimed cult movie *Dredd!*

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



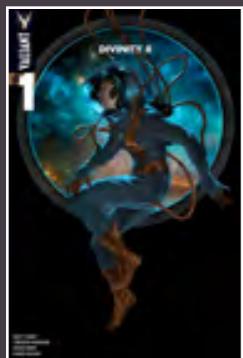
## HEART THROB #1

### ONI

Christopher  
Sebela, Robert  
Wilson IV

A new series about bank heists and thieving hearts from writer Christopher Sebela (*Welcome Back*), artist Robert Wilson IV (*Bitch Planet*), and colorist Nick Filardi (*Powers*). Callie Boudreau hasn't been herself lately. After a lifetime sidelined by illness, she's rescued by a miracle cure in the form of heart transplant surgery, but the life she returns to doesn't fit her anymore. Callie finds herself developing new tastes, unfamiliar urges and a mouth like a sailor. As she balances what she has to do with what she wants to do, a mystery man shows up to teach her that instead of waiting for her new life, she should go out and steal it.

In Shops: **13/04/2016**



**DIVINITY II  
#1  
VALIANT**  
Matt Kindt,  
Trevor Hairsine,  
Jelena  
Kevic-Djurdjevic

At the height of the Cold War, three Soviet cosmonauts were sent farther into space than anyone has gone before or since. Lost in the stars, they encountered something unknown... something that changed them.

Abram Adams was the first to return. The few that have been able to reach him believe him to be a deity. They say he can bend matter, space, and even time to his will. Now, Miska, the female co-pilot of the group, has also returned to Earth... but, unlike Abram, she still believes in the communist ideal, and intends to play a very real role in the return of Soviet glory.

How long can it be before the nations of Earth bend before *Divinity*?

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



**OVER THE  
GARDEN  
WALL #1  
BOOM!**  
Jim Campbell,  
Amalia Levari,  
Cara McGee

*Over The Garden Wall* is now an ongoing series! In this kickoff issue, Wirt and Greg might have escaped the Beast's grasp and made it out of the Unknown, but some things can't be forgotten. Greg returns to Dreamland at night, where the silly creatures who live there help him on his adventures. Then, dive back into the early days in the Unknown where young Anna, the daughter of the Woodsman, must learn to survive in the woods on her own.

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



**GOLDIE  
VANCE #1  
BOOM!**

Hope Larson,  
Brittney Williams

In a timeless story, 16-year-old Marigold "Goldie" Vance lives at a Florida resort with her dad, who manages the place. Her mom, who divorced her dad years ago, works as a live mermaid at a club downtown. Goldie has an insatiable curiosity, which explains her dream to one day become the hotel's in-house detective. When Charles, the current detective, encounters a case he can't crack, he agrees to mentor Goldie in exchange for her help solving the mystery utilizing her smarts, random skills, and connections with the hotel staff and various folks in town.

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



**TWILIGHT  
ZONE / THE  
SHADOW #1  
DYNAMITE**  
David Avallone,  
Dave Acosta

He knows what evil lurks in the hearts of men... but who knows what lurks in the heart of The Shadow? Find out, in the first issue of this mind-blowing four-part storyline entitled "Shadow of a Doubt", as the Master of Men takes a fateful step into that wondrous land bounded only by imagination: an area which we call... The Twilight Zone.

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

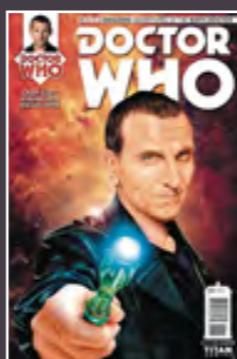


**XENA,  
WARRIOR  
PRINCESS #1  
DYNAMITE**  
Genevieve  
Valentine, Ariel  
Medel, Various

After the Twilight of the Gods, the world is precariously uncertain - and Xena and Gabrielle have been missing from it for twenty-five years.

Even without Livia, the power of Rome is growing: Caesar is determined to conquer by lies what he can't conquer by force, and the people at its edges know what's coming. (All roads lead to Rome, and Rome is hunting.) Xena and Gabrielle scramble to stop him before they have to wage war against a man they once called a friend. But along the way, Xena will have to confront her past against a rogue band of women warriors, and Gabrielle, whose secret visions are becoming prophecy, will have to protect Xena - at any cost.

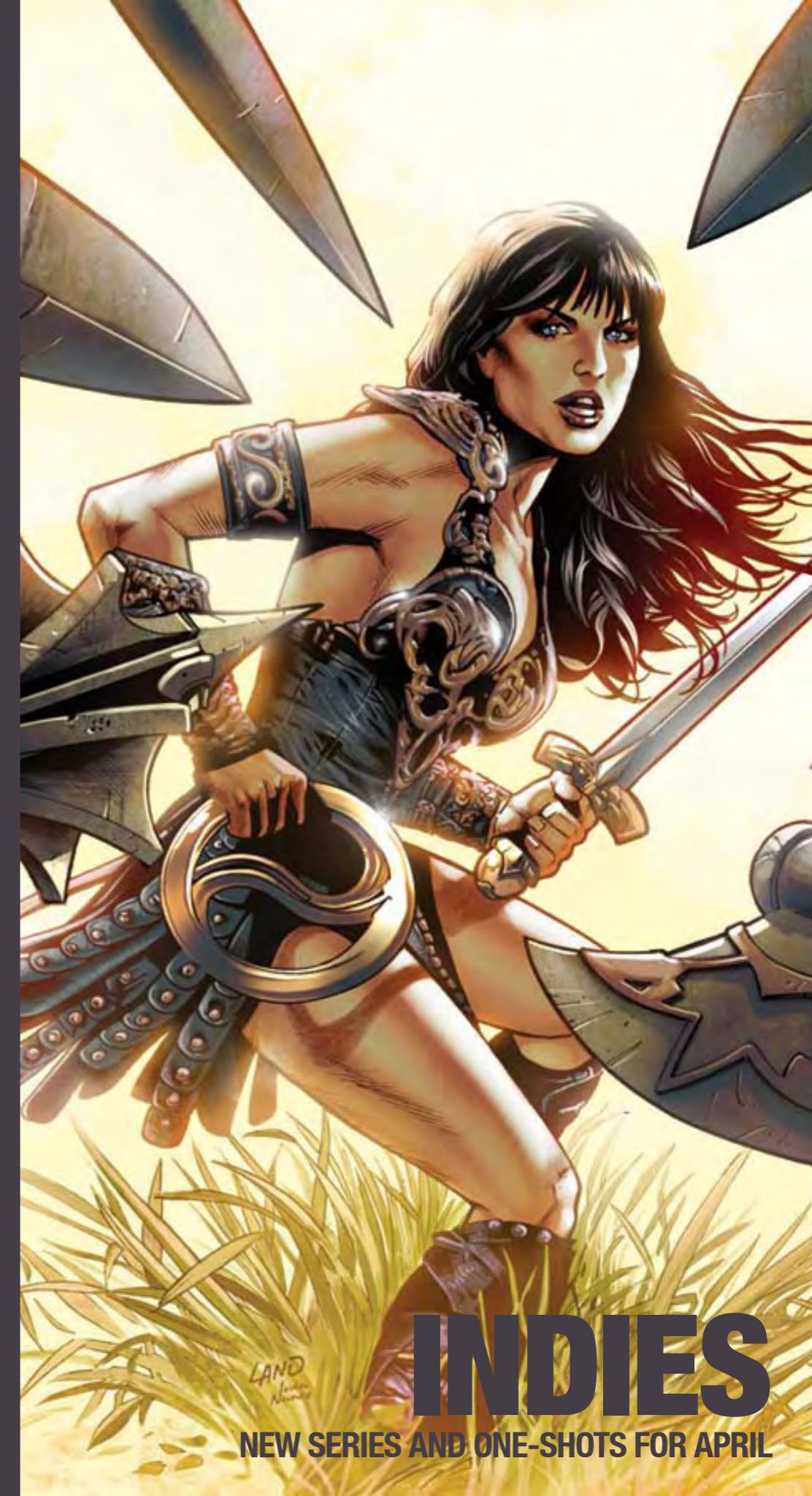
In Shops: **13/04/2016**



**DOCTOR  
WHO: THE  
NINTH  
DOCTOR #1  
TITAN**  
Cavan Scott,  
Adriana Melo

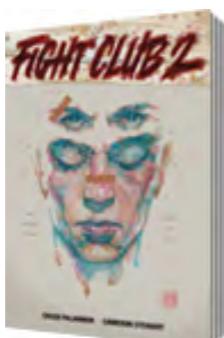
The Ninth Doctor is back - and this time he's ongoing! In Part 1 of 'Doctormania', the Doctor, Rose and Captain Jack uncover a mysterious video. Tracking down its source could help Jack uncover why his mind was wiped - but the first step takes the Doctor to a planet where he is, inexplicably, a celebrity!

In Shops: **13/04/2016**



# NOVEL IDEAS

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



**FIGHT CLUB 2  
(HC)**  
**DARK HORSE**

Palahniuk, Stewart,  
Mack

Some imaginary friends never go away... Ten years after starting Project Mayhem, he lives a mundane life. A kid, a wife. Pills to keep his destiny at bay. But it won't last long-the wife has seen to that. He's back where he started, but this go-round he's got more at stake than his own life. The time has arrived.

Collects issues #1–10 of the series.

In Shops: **22/06/2016**



**HARLEY QUINN  
VOL.4: A CALL  
TO ARMS (HC)**  
**DC**

Conner, Palmiotti,  
Hardin, Various

Harley Quinn and her Gang of Harleys are hitting the road! As if Hollywood wasn't weird enough already, now Harley's made her way to Tinseltown, and she's about to have the most destructive fifteen minutes of fame ever. Will the industry survive Harley's Hollywood hijinks, or will the City of Angels fall from grace? And will Coney Island be able to contain Harley's newfound celebrity status? Find out in these tales from issues #17–21 and the *Harley Quinn Road Trip Special* #1.

In Shops: **22/06/2016**



**STAR WARS:  
EPISODE I -  
THE PHANTOM  
MENACE (HC)**  
**MARVEL**

Gilroy, DaMaggio

The official comic-book adaptation of the first chapter in the epic saga of *Star Wars*! Years before Luke Skywalker would clash with Darth Vader, turmoil has engulfed the Galactic Republic. But when a pair of Jedi Knights - Qui-Gon Jinn and Obi-Wan Kenobi - are dispatched to end the trade conflict that has gripped the galaxy, they make a surprising discovery: the "chosen one" destined to bring balance to the Force - a young boy named Anakin Skywalker!

Collecting *Star Wars: Episode I – The Phantom Menace* #1–4.

In Shops: **25/05/2016**



**WE STAND  
ON GUARD  
(DELUXE HC)**  
**IMAGE**

Vaughan, Skroce

Set one hundred years in our future, *We Stand On Guard* follows a heroic band of Canadian civilians turned freedom fighters who must defend their homeland from invasion by a technologically superior opponent... the United States of America.

Collects *We Stand On Guard* #1–6.

In Shops: **04/05/2016**

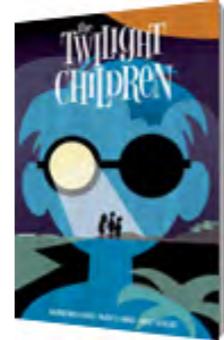


**BUFFY - THE  
HIGH SCHOOL  
YEARS: FREAKS  
AND GEEKS**  
**DARK HORSE**

Hicks, Li, Fischer

Buffy the Vampire Slayer is back in classic action in a tale set during her first year at Sunnydale High School! Burdened with the stress of a new school, making new friends, and sleepless nights spent slaying the undead, Buffy becomes the target of a group of nerdy vampires hoping to climb the vampire social ladder.

In Shops: **01/06/2016**



**THE TWILIGHT  
CHILDREN**  
**DC VERTIGO**

Hernandez, Cooke

When a white orb washes up on the shore of a remote Latin American village, a group of children poke at the strange object to see what it is. The orb explodes, leaving the children completely blind. And when a beautiful young woman who may be an alien is found wandering the seafront, she's taken in by the townspeople, but soon becomes a person of interest to a pair of CIA agents, and the target of affection for a young scientist.

Collects *The Twilight Children* #1–4!

In Shops: **11/05/2016**



**THE X-FILES:  
COMPLETE  
SEASON 10  
VOL.1**  
**IDW**

Harris, Walsh

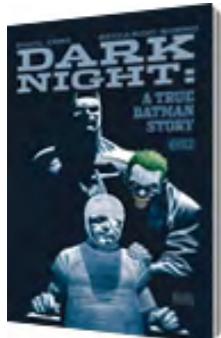
Gwen Stacy is back and has to solve the mystery of the Lizard's reappearance! Convinced that the Lizard's threat died in her arms along with Peter Parker, a new reptilian rampage leaves her with doubts not only about Peter's life, but also his death.

Collecting *Spider-Gwen* (2015, B) #1–6.

In Shops: **11/05/2016**

# NOVEL IDEAS

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



DARK NIGHT: A  
TRUE BATMAN  
STORY (HC)  
DC VERTIGO  
Dini, Risso

This surprising original graphic novel tells the harrowing and eloquent autobiographical tale of Eisner Award-winning writer Paul Dini's courageous struggle to overcome a truly desperate situation. Walking home one evening, he was jumped and viciously beaten within an inch of his life. His recovery process was arduous, hampered by the imagined antics of the villains he was writing for TV including The Joker, Harley Quinn and the Penguin. But Dini always imagined the Batman at his side during his darkest moments.

It's a Batman story like none other and one that will truly resonate with fans.

In Shops: **15/06/2016**



THE COMPLETE  
EMILY THE  
STRANGE (HC)  
DARK HORSE  
Reger, Gruner,  
Parker

Emily the Strange is not your ordinary thirteen-year-old girl - she's got a razor-sharp wit as dark as her jet-black hair, a posse of moody black cats, and famous friends in very odd places! Collects the first three volumes of *Emily the Strange*.

In Shops: **29/06/2016**



TEENAGE  
MUTANT NINJA  
TURTLES VOL.1  
IDW  
Eastman, Waltz,  
Duncan

Collecting the first 12 issues of the new ongoing series, Raphael wanders the streets of New York City in search of food, shelter, and answers. His brothers and Master Splinter vow to find him but a mutant alley cat named Old Hob and his gang of criminals keep getting in their way. The very core of the Turtles' family is at stake as their new origin is revealed!

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



MIGHTY  
THOR VOL.1:  
THUNDER IN  
HER VEINS (HC)  
MARVEL  
Aaron, Dauterman

When Dr. Jane Foster lifts the mystic hammer Mjolnir, she is transformed into the Goddess of Thunder, the Mighty Thor! Her enemies are many as Asgard descends further into chaos, and unrest threatens to spread throughout the Ten Realms. Yet she wages her greatest battle against a far more personal foe: the cancer killing her mortal form. And when Loki steps back into Thor's life, will it ease her troubles or only add to her pain?

Collecting *Mighty Thor* (2015) #1–5.

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



HOWARD THE  
DUCK VOL.1:  
DUCK HUNT  
MARVEL  
Zdarsky, Quinones,  
Various

The flightless fowl gets a new beginning, with the exact same superstar creative lineup as before! But this time, the whole entire universe is after Howard - and that includes the would-be new herald of Galactus! As the duck hunt begins, things get totally cosmic with the Silver Surfer, the Collector, the Stranger and the Guardians of the Galaxy! The Duck is back, and this means "Waugh!"

Collecting *Howard The Duck* (2015, B) #1–6 and *Unbeatable Squirrel Girl* (2015, B) #6.

In Shops: **11/05/2016**



MY LITTLE  
PONY: FRIENDS  
FOREVER VOL.6  
IDW  
Anderson,  
Garbowska, Various

A strange flu descends over Ponyville and Spike and Zecora must work together to find a cure. Applejack and Fluttershy go camping. And, Rarity travels to Griffinstone to make the perfect uniforms for Gilda the Griffin's new sports team.

Collects issues #21–24.

In Shops: **13/04/2016**

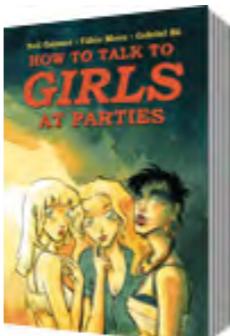


PRETTY  
DEADLY VOL.2:  
THE BEAR  
IMAGE  
DeConnick, Rios

Kelly Sue DeConnick (*Captain Marvel*, *Bitch Planet*) and Emma Ríos (*Island*, *Mirror*) present the follow up to the Eisner-nominated, New York Times bestselling *Pretty Deadly Vol. 1: The Shrike*. Sarah Fields is dying and her children strike a bargain with the Immortals: give them one month more, until the moon is full again, to find her youngest son so that he may see her one last time. But the boy is far, far away, in the trenches of France, stalked by the Reapers of Vengeance and Cruelty.

Collects *Pretty Deadly* #6–10.

In Shops: **01/06/2016**



HOW TO TALK  
TO GIRLS AT  
PARTIES (HC)  
DARK HORSE  
Gaiman, Ba, Moon

Two teenage boys are in for a tremendous shock when they crash a party where the girls are far more than they appear! From Neil Gaiman - one of the most celebrated authors of our time - and award-winning artists Fábio Moon and Gabriel Bá, this sumptuous graphic novel is not to be missed!

In Shops: **15/06/2016**





# BIFF'S BIT

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## MARVEL PICKS OF THE MONTH

The Black Panther has long been a favourite character for me, ever since *Jungle Action #5* back in 1973. Don McGregor took this character and his kingdom by the scruff of the neck and with some sweeping elegant art by the likes of Buckler, John Buscema, Gil Kane and Craig Russell, set the tone of this now major Marvel player for the next few decades. He pioneered the self contained, multi-part storyline which is now prevalent everywhere whilst writing thoughtful and expansive stories.

Christopher Priest came very close to equalling the imagination of this series, certainly making more complex stories and setting the tone for the master thinker and planner that the Black Panther is known for. My favourite issues featuring Black Panther fighting Iron Man and beating him to a pulp. Before the fight, he planned meticulously and Tony Stark, in his arrogance, walked into every pitfall and trap.

The new series, which is on order this month for an April release, sounds very promising. Written by Ta-Nehisi Coates, an award winning novelist, and illustrated by Brian Stelfreeze, this new series could hit the artistic heights again,

This gets a Biff tip of 10/10.

Whilst loving the *Star Wars* films I have never been a big fan of the comics, despite the bang-up job that Dark Horse did on keeping the franchise alive. The re-launch by Marvel has

been received astonishingly well with all of the *Star Wars* comics bringing in new and old readers alike. The current *Obi-Wan And Anakin* mini series has great comic art, a strong story and

greatly impressed me. Next in the line will be *Star Wars: Poe Dameron*, written by Charles Soule, who always turns in a great story, with art by Phil Noto, a very accomplished and renowned artist. If you haven't tried a *Star Wars* series yet, put your pennies down for this as the greatest pilot in the galaxy, Poe Dameron, takes a resistance squadron on a top secret and vital mission.

Again, a Biff 10/10.



## AM I BACK IN THE 1960S/1980S/1990S?

Nostalgia is alive and well, at least in comics, as some old TV and film favourites are all getting the comic book treatment again.

One of the oldest series being resurrected is *Lost In Space*, which started in 1965. American Gothic are responsible for this series and have some great photo covers. I just hope the interiors do one of the greatest 'camp' shows justice. I still can be heard exclaiming "oh, the pain, the pain!". I loved the show. I hope I love the comic.

American Mythology are bringing *Stargate* back to the printed page, beginning where the TV series left off. They are also launching *The Three Stooges* and it has been 70 years since they were last on the silver screen!

IDW Publishing have *Back To The Future*, now an ongoing series, as well as *Ghostbusters*, *Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles* and *Star Trek*, to name

a few, and as *The X-Files* makes a welcome return to the small screen after a break of 13 years, they re-launch with *The X-Files #1*.

Dynamite Entertainment, who are always dipping into nostalgia, have grabbed *Xena, Warrior Princess* from the shelf and continue from where the TV series left off 25 years ago. Plus, from the comic archives, they are reuniting a host of old Gold Key characters including Turok, Magnus, Solar, the Mighty Samson and Doctor Spektor in miniseries *Gold Key: Alliance*.

Not to mention that Brian Pulido, via the aptly named Coffin Comics imprint, has revived *Lady Death*. Will this re-launch work? Well, it is Pulido so he should know the character!

Everywhere you look stories and characters from the past keep popping up. Which of this decade's movies and films will have the hold of today's youth to be revived in 2035? I hope I am around to find out!

Tip for the month for those married or with partners: DON'T FORGET VALENTINES DAY!!!!!!



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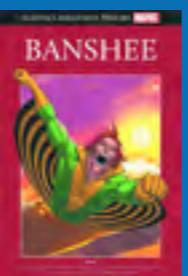
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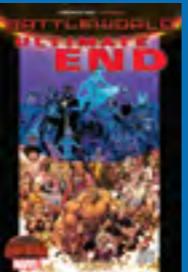
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