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BALTIMORE: THE RED KINGDOM #1

Mignola, Golden, Bergting, Stenbeck

Lord Baltimore is missing. The Red King - evil incarnate - is taking over the world. Baltimore's team has been driven apart, with some of them dying on the frontlines while others are in hiding.

Since the day he set out for revenge on the vampire who killed his family, Baltimore's fight has gotten bigger than he'd ever imagined, but what role will he take as evil finally threatens to consume the world?

In Shops: **Feb 01, 2017**



EMPOWERED: SOLDIER OF LOVE #1

Warren, Diaz

Love is tearing apart costumed crimefighter Empowered's city, as the unearthly powers of an embittered "International Magical Girl of Mystery" covertly inflame the superheroic community's burning passions. But even if a befuddled Emp can puzzle out her shadowy foe's schemes, can she hope to prevail against the Soldier of Love?

In Shops: **Feb 08, 2017**

DARK HORSE

NEW SERIES AND ONE-SHOTS FOR FEBRUARY

THE VISITOR: HOW AND WHY HE STAYED #1

Mignola, Roberson, Grist

In 1944 Hellboy was conjured in a ceremony meant to give Hitler the ultimate occult weapon. Fortunately, Professor Trevor Bruttenholm was there to witness, and to guide Hellboy to become the greatest paranormal detective in the world. But Bruttenholm wasn't the only witness to Hellboy's arrival. A visitor was there, sent to kill the Beast that had been prophesied to kill us all. What the visitor saw, and why he stayed his hand, leads to the most mysterious Hellboy spinoff yet ...

In Shops: Feb 22, 2017





NEW SERIES AND ONE-SHOTS **FOR FEBRUARY**

BATWOMAN: REBIRTH #1

Bennett, Tynion IV, Oliver, Epting The newest chapter of Batwoman's What she doesn't know is that the act of saving life begins here!

bioweapon on the market...and to break up the syndicate spreading of human history. it around the world, Batwoman's New York Times best-selling writer Warren Ellis going to have to return to the place where she spent some of debut issue resetting the WildStorm universe with and Superman have graduated to their own her darkest hours!

Learn where Batwoman comes "I couldn't be more excited to see these from, and where she's going, in Arms Of Death"!

In Shops: Feb 15, 2017



★ COVER STAR ★ WILD STORM #1

Ellis. Davis-Hunt

A troubled woman, barred by her employer from continuing her research, walks miserably JLA stop this group of misguided maniacs before through New York City. It takes her a moment to the Extremists unleash their own unique - not to notice that everybody else is looking up. A man mention dangerous! - brand of law and order on has been thrown from the upper floor of the Halo our chaotic world? skyscraper.

And that woman - Angela Spica, sick from the transhuman implants she's buried in her own body-is the only person who can save him.

that one man will tip over a vast and secret house of cards that encloses the entire world, if Monster Venom is the hottest new not the inner solar system. This is how the Wild Storm begins, and it may destroy covert power structures, secret space programs and even all

> (Transmetropolitan, Red, Planetary) returns to DC to curate Jim Lee's WildStorm world, with this "When I grow up" part one! The sons of Batman Jenny Sparks and others.

characters that are so near and dear to me this one-shot prologue to the first reintroduced under the guiding hand of Warren you the adventures of the World's Smallest.

Ellis. WildStorm represents an incredibly fun and This debut issue looks at the lives of Robin big Batwoman epic, "The Many exciting period in my career, and I can't wait to and Superboy and their destiny to follow in see what Warren and Jon have in store for fans their fathers' footsteps, while we meet a new in February." - Jim Lee, DC Comics Co-Publisher villain whose ascension parallels the boys' own

In Shops: Feb 15, 2017



JUSTICE LEAGUE **OF AMERICA #1**

Orlando, Reis, Prado

Meet the Extremists - self-proclaimed saviors from another Earth, they thirst for peace, prosperity and total submission to the will of their leader, Lord Havok! How can the newly assembled

In Shops: **Feb 22, 2017**



SUPER SONS #1

Tomasi, Jimenez

new iterations of Grifter, Voodoo, the Engineer, monthly comic-but if they want to survive, they're going to have to share it! Writer Peter J. Tomasi (Batman And Robin, Superman) teams with rising-star artist Jorge Jimenez (Earth 2) to bring you the adventures of the World's Smallest.

> understanding of their powers - except that he believes it's his right to rule over every being on the planet!

In Shops: Feb 15, 2017



HIGHLANDER: AMERICAN DREAM #1 Ruckley, Mutti, Gironi

The cult-classic franchise makes its triumphant return! In the thirty years since its release, Highlander has inspired a cult following and numerous spinoffs with its epic clashes between powerful immortals. Now, The American Dream follows Scottish swordsman Connor MacLeod as he navigates through the American Civil War and 1950s Manhattan toward The Gathering in 1986. Reunite with familiar faces, such as Connor's secretary Rachel, and meet new immortals such as Osta Vazilek, but remember... there can be only one!

In Shops: Feb 22, 2017



ANGRY BIRDS: FLIGHT SCHOOL #1

Tobin, Cavazzano, Murphy, Various

Ever wondered what your favorite furious fowl would do if they had hands and feet? Well, age (and fans of feathered hands and feet)!

In Shops: **Feb 01, 2017**



COSMIC **SCOUNDRELS #1**

Suriano, Chapman, Suriano

Space-faring bachelor scalawags Love Savage and Roshambo - along with a little mothering from their ship's AI, Mrs. Billingsley - shuttle from job to job and continually find themselves on the wrong side of the law. Despite their best efforts to look out only for themselves, they usually end up involved with alien crooks, shady black market baby schemes, and space sickness-inducing drugs. They're on the loose and on the run - from everyone!

is finally in print!

In Shops: Feb 22, 2017



DARKNESS VISIBLE #1

Carey, David, Cahill

When the demons came, humanity reluctantly learned to share the world with another sentient wonder no longer! Based on the hit movie, Angry race. Eighty years later, this uneasy co-existence Birds: Flight School is sure to please fans of every has spawned an endless terrorist conflict. Detective Daniel Aston, charged with being the its strange power can be used to dominate the thin blue line between the two sides, is tested to world! the limit when a demon sets up house inside his soul. But to save his daughter, he'll pay any price - including genocide.

In Shops: Feb 15, 2017



The M.A.S.K and G.I. Joe teams are put to the A glorious Starstruck mini-series of Lee ultimate test as they join forces in a desperate, world-spanning, quest to keep V.E.N.O.M from harnessing the power of a stolen meteorite before

Deathstone", for the new comic book age!

In Shops: **Feb 22, 2017**



The origin of Cliff Dagger revealed!



STARSTRUCK: OLD PROLDIERS NEVER DIE #1

Lee, Kaluta

Kaluta's classic space-opera!

A rollicking adventure featuring Harry Palmer, the Galactic Girl Guides, and other favorites from the classic series. This re-mastered and expanded series features approximately 50% all-new Re-imagining the original television pilot, "The artwork by legendary comics illustrator Michae Kaluta. Each episode includes a single chapter as well as a glossary written by Lee and illustrated bv Kaluta.

In Shops: Feb 22, 2017



JUDGE DREDD -**ANNUAL #1**

Farinas, Freitas, McDaid,

It has been 10 years since the events of Mega-City Zero, and Judge Dredd continues his mission to restore order to a lawless land. But what has been happening on Luna-1 and in Mega-City Two, and how might that affect Dredd's sworn The witty, hysterical, and utterly zany web comic duty? The mystery of The Blessed Earth begins to unfold here!

In Shops: **Feb 22, 2017**



MY LITTLE PONY -ANNUAL 2017 #1

Whitley, Rice, Fleecs, Price

Join the Guardians of Harmony on their quest to protect Equestria from nefarious villains! Featuring six short stories focusing on action and adventure by your favorite My Little Pony creative

Harmony toy line!

In Shops: **Feb 15, 2017**

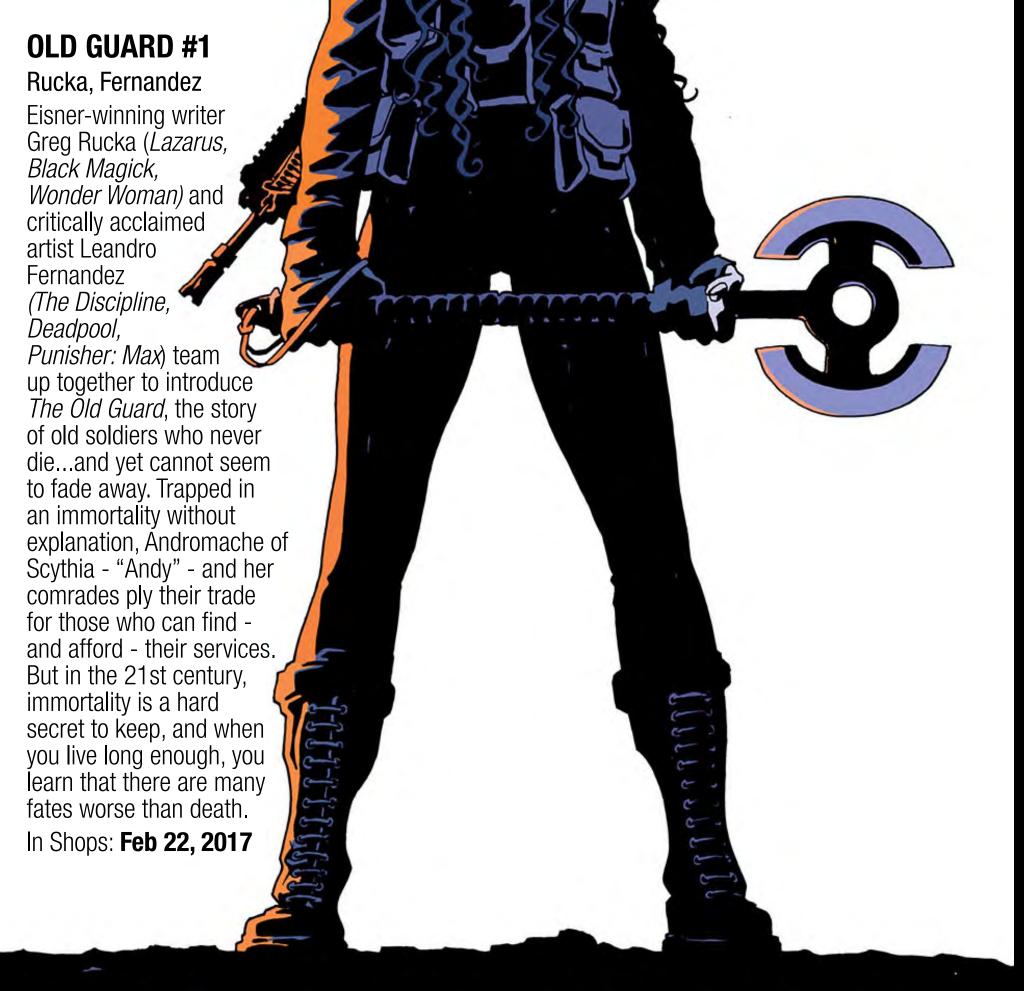


TRANSFORMERS -**ANNUAL 2017 #1**

Barber, Tramontano

Ghost stories! Optimus Prime returns to Cybertron-only to be confronted by his rival for the Matrix, Pyra Magna! As Pyra's origin - before she was part of Victorion - is finally revealed, Ties into the new My Little Pony: Guardians of Optimus relives his own past-the first time he met Bumblebee!

In Shops: Feb 08, 2017



NEW SERIES AND ONE-SHOTS FOR FEBRUARY



PLANETOID: PRAXIS #1

Garing

Series premiere! Planetoid: Praxis is the longanticipated sequel to the popular 2012 miniseries *Planetoid.*

The inhabitants of a distant planetoid have fought off their robot overlords and established a thriving settlement on the planetoid's mechanized surface. Now, years later, their de facto leader, The sold-out indy hit returns through Image Onica, must grapple with a new complication Comics! *Sun Bakery* comics anthology features when their isolated way of life is threatened by the following stories: "Dream Skills," about a city the arrival of an unexpected visitor!

In Shops: **Feb 01, 2017**



BELFRY (ONE-SHOT)

When an airliner crashes in a remote jungle, everyone walks away unscathed only to find you can't escape the lush, brutal world of the Belfry.

From Hugo Award-nominated writer/artist Gabriel Hardman (Invisible Republic, Kinski, Star Wars Legacy), The Belfry is a self-contained one-shot that may just strip you of your humanity.

In Shops: Feb 22, 2017



SUN BAKERY #1

where guns are obsolete and the social culture is swordplay; "Arem," a space adventurer on a quest to photograph the most beautiful galactic vistas; and "Bat Rider," a supernatural skateboarding comic.

In Shops: Feb 22, 2017



ELEKTRA #1

Owens, Morgan, Torque

Casino Battle Royale!

Running from her tumultuous past, Elektra attempts to lose herself in a vibrant sea of neon, noise and anonymity: Las Vegas. But how long can a former ninja assassin really hope to escape the vortex of violence that encompasses her life... especially when there's a new player in Sin City that has her in his sights for his newest game? Enter: Arcade.

In Shops: Feb 22, 2017



KINGPIN #1

Rosenberg, Torres, Dekal

Wilson Fisk builds a brand-new empire!

The Kingpin has done bad things. Deplorable things. He has cheated the law. He has blackmailed rivals. He has killed. But that's all in the past. The Kingpin is back in the city that he loves and ready to make his mark as a titan of legitimate industry, but needs to rekindle his public image.

When Wilson Fisk makes disgraced journalist Sarah Dewey an offer she can't refuse, the spiraling saga of crime and betrayal begins anew.

Don't miss the start of Kingpin's ongoing series, written by breakout writer Matthew Rosenberg and illustrated in the heavy noir stylings of Ben Torres, as Manhattan's criminal mastermind returns to the Big Apple with honorable intentions, but no one in his circle remains pure on his climb back to the top.

In Shops: Feb 08, 2017

STAR WARS: DARTH MAUL #1

Bunn, Ross, Albuquerque

Bred on hate, fear, and anger... steeped in the ways of darkness... and trained to kill. Darth Maul's time as apprentice to Darth Sidious has long been cloaked in shadows, but at last we will reveal his tale of revenge.

From writer Cullen Bunn (Deadpool Kills The Marvel Universe, Wolverine) and artist Luke Ross (Star Wars: The Force Awakens, Hercules) comes a tale of rage unleashed as Darth Maul prepares for his first encounter with the Jedi.

In Shops: Feb 01, 2017



BULLSEYE #1

Brisson, Sanna, Johnson

Shoot first!

Daredevil, Elektra, Punisher... you name 'em, Bullseye beat 'em. But that was just business... this?

This is pleasure. What does the world's greatest assassin do for fun? Find out what Bullseye gets involved in for laughs in this deadly first issue, way down in South America!

In Shops: Feb 01, 2017







ALL NEW FATHOM #1 ASPEN MLT INC Northcott, Renna

Dive back into the world of Michael Turner's For centuries, a secret world government has Fathom in this great jumping-on point for new readers!

Aspen Matthew's role in the brand new Aspen Universe, spawning out of last summer's megaevent, "Aspen Universe: Revelations", is larger than ever! Now, the preeminent heroine must navigate the treacherous divide between the Action hero archetypes are reimagined in what humans and her ancestral people of The Blue-as well as the surprises in store for both races in this all-new Fathom landscape where anything is possible!

Nearly two decades of the best-selling series created by superstar artist, the late Michael Turner, have culminated in this all-new Fathom adventure by Aspen's newest up-and-coming talents!

Please join newcomers, writer Blake Northcott and artist Marco Renna, as they bring readers back under the surface into the world of The Blue, and everything you loved about *Fathom!*

In Shops: Feb 08, 2017



FOREVER WAR #1 TITAN COMICS Haldeman, Marvano

The visionary Hugo and Nebula Award-winning sci fi tale by Joe Haldeman is beautifully realised in full color by the legendary artist Marvano.

time. The Forever War explores one soldier's a war that reaches across the stars.

In Shops: Feb 15, 2017



INFINITE SEVEN #1 DANGER ZONE Dwonch, Mesa

employed the Infinite Seven, the world's greatest assassins to do their dirty work. The only way to become one of their members is to prove your worth by killing one of their members. But what happens when Anthony Zane, a teenage boy from the suburbs does just that?

is sure to be the blockbuster series of the year!

In Shops: Feb 01, 2017



JIM HENSON'S **POWER OF THE DARK CRYSTAL #1 BOOM! STUDIOS Spurrier, Matthews,** Matthews, Lee

In celebration of the 35th anniversary of Jim Henson's The Dark Crystal, return to the world of Thra in an official seguel to the beloved fantasy

Discover an all-new race of creatures called Firelings that live in a realm near the planet's core, based on official character designs by Brian Froud.

Years have passed since the events of the original of the new CW series *Riverdale* comes the first film, and though Jen and Kira have ruled Thra as King and Queen, bringing Gelfling back to the comic series! land, they have become distracted by power and can no longer feel or see the needs of the world the way they once did.

Mystics, and embark on one incredible adventure. *Panther*).

In Shops: **Feb 15, 2017**



PLANET OF THE APES / GREEN LANTERN #1 **BOOM! STUDIOS**

Thompson, Jordan, **Bagenda, Van Sciver**

Boom! Studios and DC Comics are proud to bring together two classic properties in a historic crossover event.

When Taylor goes missing, Cornelius investigates and discovers an ancient ring, unlike anything the universe has ever seen.

As its power echoes through the stars, the Guardians of the Universe must reveal to their Lanterns a secret they had hoped would remain

With the Green Lantern Corps, led by Hal Jordan, racing to get to the source of this power before Sinestro can get his hands on it, they will discover a truth that will change them forever on... the Planet of the Apes.

In Shops: Feb 01, 2017



RIVERDALE ARCHIE COMICS Aguirre-Sacasa, Martinez

From Roberto Aguirre-Sacasa and the writers issue of the must-read, brand new, ongoing

Set in the universe of the TV series, the *Riverdale* comic offers a bold, subversive take on Archie, Betty, Veronica, Josie and the Pussycats, and Thurma is a young Fireling tasked with stealing a their friends, exploring small-town life and the An epic sci fi war story spanning space and shard of the Dark Crystal to restore power to her darkness and weirdness bubbling beneath realm. Along the way she'll befriend the young Riverdale's wholesome facade. Features interior experience caught up in the brutal machinery of Gelfling Kensho, bring back the Skeksis and art by up-and-coming artist Alitha Martinez (Black

In Shops: **Feb 15, 2017**



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



SEVEN TO ETERNITY VOL.1

IMAGE COMICS

Remender, Opena. Hollingsworth



Jerome Opeña (Uncanny X-Force, Fear Agent) and of Zhal. All men have surrendered their freedom for fear, and now one last free man must choose.

Collects Seven To Eternity #1-4.

In Shops: **Feb 08, 2017**



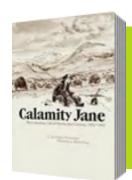
BATGIRL VOL.1: BEYOND BURNSIDE DC COMICS

Larson, Albuquerque

target on her back, Batgirl may need to use her new skills (and rack up a few more stamps in her field agent tracks down the mystery of ORE-13! passport) to solve a deadly mystery.

Collects Batgirl #1-6.

In Shops: Mar 22, 2017



CALAMITY JANE (HC) IDW PUBLISHING

Perrissin, Blanchin

where the living wasn't so easy... especially for women. Martha Jane Cannary was a bona fide Taken captive by the phantom crew that plans to the life of a Mighty Morphin Power Ranger behind, frontierswoman, a professional scout, a drunk, and sometime whore, doing whatever it took to stay alive a captain who will stop at nothing in pursuit of a fray. With her parents missing and their village

Writer Christian Perrissin (El Niño, Cape Horn) Following the events of Hellboy: The Island, Gary ioins forces with Alph-Art-winning artist Matthieu Writer Rick Remender reteams with collaborators Blanchin to tackle the legend of this formidable prairie girl and her daring life alongside the likes Matt Hollingsworth (Tokyo Ghost, Wytches) to take of Buffalo Bill Cody and Wild Bill Hickok. Presented you on a hard road through the strange fantasy world in English for the first time ever, this is the true story of an extraordinary, independent woman with gumption, the incredible Calamity Jane!

In Shops: Apr 19, 2017



REVOLUTION: HEROES IDW PUBLISHING

Easton, Bunn, Ryall, Sitterson, Barber, Vargas, Panda, Joseph, Milonogiannis, Villanelli, Peterson

The Revolution spreads across the world of M.A.S.K.. In order to up her game after the events of the Micronauts, Rom, Gl Joe, and Action Man! The Battle of Burnside, Babs travels to Japan on a origin of M.A.S.K.! The Micronauts make a huge quest to train with one of her all time heroes. But discovery that will transform everything! The Dire when a chance meeting with an old friend puts a Wraiths stalk a lone stranger! GI Joe is back, led by Scarlett and joining the fray! And, the UK's top

> Collects the M.A.S.K., Micronauts, Rom, Gl Joe and Action Man 'Revolution' one-shots.

In Shops: **Feb 15, 2017**



powerful sea creature.

In Shops: Apr 19, 2017

HELLBOY: INTO THE SILENT SEA (HC) **DARK HORSE COMICS**

Mignola, Gianni

island only to cross paths with a ghost ship.

Gianni draws Hellboy in a brand-new graphic novel



MIGHTY MORPHIN POWER RANGERS: PINK VOL.1 BOOM! STUDIOS

Fletcher, Thompson, Tarr

actress who portrayed Kimberly Hart. After leaving sell him to the circus, Hellboy is dragged along by Kimberly Hart finds herself pulled back into the overrun by monsters, she must reclaim her destiny and discover the power that lies within. She'll have to call on some old friends if she's to unravel this mystery and save this once sleepy village.

> From writers Brenden Fletcher (Batgirl, Gotham Academy), Kelly Thompson (Jem and the Holograms, A-Force) and Tini Howard (The Skeptics), and artist Daniele Di Nicuolo (Mirror's Edge: Exordium), the Pink Ranger embarks on her first solo Power Ranger adventure!

In Shops: **Apr 05, 2017**



STAR WARS VOL.2 (HC) MARVEL COMICS

Various

The rebel crew is en route to a prison base with an important captive. Unluckily for them, they aren't the only ones with their eyes on this prize! Then, take a walk on the Dark Side with Sqt. Kreel and an elite group of Imperial soldiers aboard the Star Destroyer Harbinger! It's a nigh-indestructible weapon of war - and it's also the target of the rebels' new top-secret plan. Never afraid of defying A look at Black History framed by those who made the odds, Luke, Han and Leia are determined to it. Black History In Its Own Words presents quotes make this the Harbinge's last flight. But Kreel and his SCAR Squad specialize in taking down rebels - hard! Plus: more entries from the journals of Obi-Wan Kenobi, including a showdown with the Wookiee bounty hunter Black Krrsantan!

Collecting Star Wars (2015) #15–25 and Annual #1.

In Shops: **Jun 07, 2017**



BLACK HISTORY IN IT'S OWN WORDS (HC) IMAGE COMICS Wimberly

of dozens of black luminaries with portraits and illustrations by Ronald Wimberly.

Featuring the memorable words and depictions of Angela Davis, Jean-Michel Basquiat, Kanye West, Zadie Smith, Ice Cube, Dave Chappelle, James Baldwin, Spike Lee, and more.

In Shops: Feb 08, 2017

NOVEL IDEAS NEW GRAPHIC NOVELS AND COLLECTED EDITIONS ARRIVING FROM FEBRUARY ONWARDS...



HARLEY QUINN VOL.1: DIE LAUGHING DC COMICS Conner, Palmiotti, Hardin,

Welcome back to Harley Quinn's crazy world on What happened eight months ago that set the Emmy award-winning writer Paul Dini's tales of fallen in love with her.

Collects issues #1-7. In Shops: **Mar 15, 2017**



ALIENS: ORIGINAL COMICS SERIES VOL.2 DARK HORSE COMICS Verheiden, Beauvais, Keith

Long before Alien3 was even a glint in director David Fincher's eye, Dark Horse Comics was already crafting a terrifying post-*Aliens* continuity for Ripley, Hicks, and Newt.

unabridged and unadulterated series.

Aliens: Female War #1-4.

In Shops: **Apr 12, 2017**



DEATH OF X MARVEL COMICS Lemire, Soule, Kuder

Coney Island... now get ready to wave goodbye, Inhumans and X-Men on a collision course? The because everyone there just might get eaten answers are here! As the Inhumans travel to Japan, introduction by Dini! alive! Harley's gotta protect her neighborhood where one Terrigen Cloud creates a shocking against an all-out zombie apocalypse! Break out NuHuman, the X-Men head to Muir Island and find the chainsaws, everybody! Then, Harley must set a second Terrigen Cloud causing something truly out on a journey that will take her around the terrible. When these two events collide, a conflict world-and into the clutches of a bizarre robotic of catastrophic proportions explodes! While Storm enemy! And Harley carves her way through the and Medusa come together to seek a solution for rock underground of New York City, looking for the the Terrigen's deadly effects on mutants across criminals who hurt someone she cared about... the world, Cyclops and Emma Frost put their own unfortunately, one of the crooks in question has plans into motion. Lines will be crossed as the first true battle in the Inhumans/X-Men war begins and Scott Summers won't be the only one who doesn't make it out alive!

> Collecting Death Of X #1-4. In Shops: Mar 01, 2017



REVOLUTION: TRANSFORMERS IDW PUBLISHING

Scott, Roberts, Barber, Roche, Griffith, Tsushima, Milne, Howell, Kotteri, Burcham

Thundercracker and Buster save the World! A White House under siege by Dire Wraiths! These are the original stories that took the comics Windblade on Earth! And a date with destiny for market by storm in a prestige collection of the Krok, Crankcase, Fulcrum, Spinister, and Misfire!

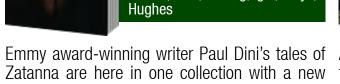
Collects the *Transformers 'More Than Meets The* Collects Aliens: Nightmare Asylum #1-4 and Eve' and 'Till All Are One' 'Revolution' one-shots plus the 2015 Holiday Special.

In Shops: **Feb 22, 2017**



ZATANNA BY PAUL DINI DC COMICS

Dini, Beechen, Fridolfs, Roux, Hardin, Saiz, Chiang, Igle, Mays,



The acclaimed writer of Batman: The Animated Series and the New York Times best-selling Dark Night: A True Batman Story has had a history with the premier magician of the DC Universe, penning stories for the past two decades starring Zatanna Zatara, including these tales from Zatanna #1— 16, Zatanna: Everyday Magic #1 and stories from the DC Infinite Halloween Special #1 and the DC #1-4 and all the back matter, in this one-time Universe: Rebirth Holiday Special #1.

In Shops: Mar 01, 2017



SNOTGIRL VOL.1 IMAGE COMICS O'Malley, Hung, Quinn

From bestselling Bryan Lee O'Malley (Scott Pilgrim) and superstar newcomer Leslie Hung!

Lottie Person is a glamorous fashion blogger living her best life-at least that's what she wants you to think. The truth is, her friends are terrible people, her boyfriend traded her up for someone younger, her allergies are out of control, and she may or may not have killed somebody! Snotgirl in a camp of Kozaki raiders. As Conan's wounds most buzzed-about titles!

Collects *Snotgirl #1–5*.

In Shops: **Feb 22, 2017**



PROVIDENCE: ACT 1 (HC) AVATAR PRESS Moore, Burrows

Alan Moore's quintessential horror series has set the standard for a terrifying reinvention of the works of H.P. Lovecraft. It is being universally hailed as one of Moore's most realized works in which the master scribe has controlled every iota of the story, art, and presentation. The result has been a masterpiece like no other and a true musthave addition to his essential works in the field.

We present a collected Providence: Act 1 hardcover edition that contains *Providence* issues printing of the edition. There will be Act 2 and Act 3 hardcovers in the coming months, also limited to single production runs. This will not be kept in print any further and this is the final opportunity to get a hardcover edition of the first chapter of Alan Moore's horror masterpiece.

In Shops: Feb 22, 2017



CONAN THE SLAYER VOL.1: BLOOD IN HIS WAKE

DARK HORSE COMICS Bunn, Davila, Bermejo

Alone, on the brink of death, and with nothing but his sword, Conan of Cimmeria finds refuge *Vol. 1* is the perfect introduction to one of 2016's heal, he gains acceptance into the clan... only to discover that mortal danger is closer than ever.

Collects issues #1–6 of Conan the Slayer!

In Shops: Apr 26, 2017





CHRISTMAS THOUGHTS

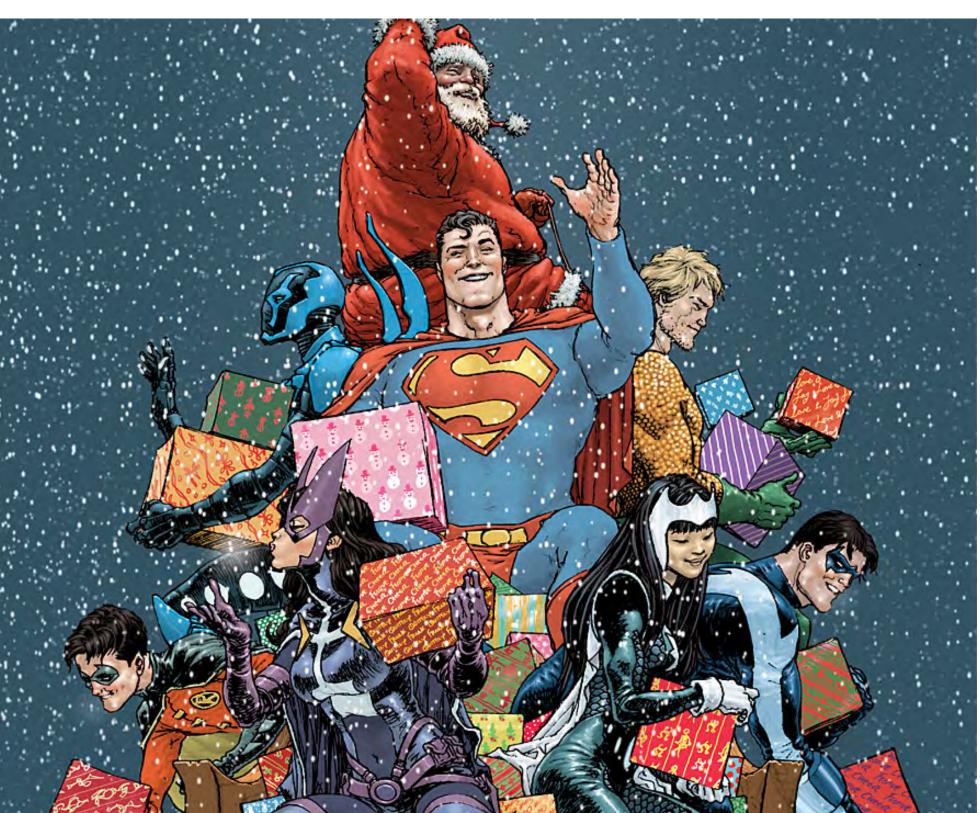
As I write this, there are just six days to Christmas Day. In my retail world this is the busiest time of the year and gets even busier after Christmas. We only close on Christmas Day and Boxing Day and then it is retail heaven/mayhem again as young and old converge on our excellent emporium to find the present they really wanted. A few are lucky and get just what they need as anyone that stops and asks me, or any of the ACE staff, will get advice backed up with decades of experience. This isn't just ego, it is justified up by the miniscule amount of returns we get!

This year I am treating myself to three days off in the run-up to Christmas Eve, so I will be fighting fit for next week. This whole period is heaven to me as there is nothing I like more than talking about comics and helping people find just the perfect comic for them. Once the gateway is found, a love of comics never goes away. The only problem as the years go by is an increasing lack of space to keep all of the fabulous comics, toys and assorted merchandise we all accumulate over the years. I think next year it will be time to turn the garage into a comic library/man-cave, fingers crossed!

This year the highlights for me have been the whole *DC: Rebirth, Unworthy Thor, Daredevil, Black Panther, Aliens* returning to Dark Horse on a regular basis, *Clone Conspiracy* (in spite of myself), all the *Batman 66* series, *International Iron Man* until they cancelled it (grrr!!), *Kill Or Be*

BIFS BIT

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Killed, Lady Mechanika, Rachel Rising, Doctor Strange the movie (I want a cloak of levitation!), Paper Girls, Providence, Rom (I loved it, despite the art), Saga, Shipwreck, and purely for the sales across our stores, The Walking Dead.

Such a diversity is now available both as comics and graphic novels, that the medium is going from strength to strength.

The hit of the year has to be *DC: Rebirth* as this is working so well for me as a reader and so well at getting the 'buzz' back into the store and online. It does play havoc with the back issue rooms as yet more header cards are needed!

I have enjoyed *Flash* and *Arrow* on TV - *Flash* is the more 'comicy' of the two while my wife Tina, who never watches these programmes, sat down and enjoyed *Arrow*. Interestingly the *Flash* comic has been increasing in sales monthon-month now for six months, selling more now than when it 'Rebirthed'. *Green Arrow* has actually dipped a bit. Totally inconclusive proof that TV shows have no real effect on comic sales, until you mention *The Walking Dead* - I know when a new season has started as sales go up by 25%!

All in all, a great year with great comics and great events. I and all the team at ACE Comics hope you have enjoyed your comics as much as we have!

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!









Sandman: Overture – Deluxe Edition **DC Vertigo** £17.99

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