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DARKHORSE NEW SERIES AND ONE-SHOTS FOR AUGUST



ADAM.3 #1 Scott Kolins

Award-winning writer/artist Scott Kolins (Past Aways, The Flash, The Avengers) premieres his first original comic book creation: Adam.3!

A man born into a futuristic island utopia fights to save his troubled family as terrifying visions of a monstrous doom foretell the end to his Eden! Can Adam and his family survive S.E.E.D.S.?

In Shops: 05/08/2015

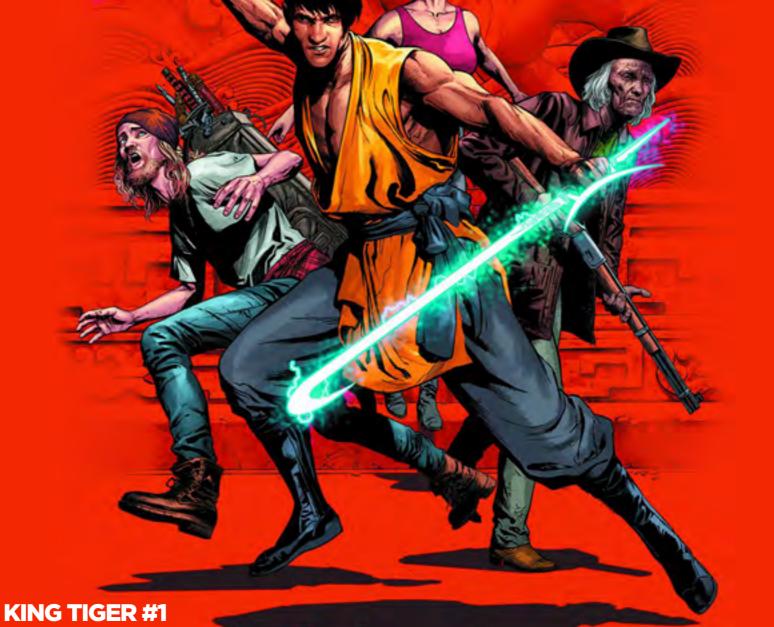


NEW MGMT #1

Matt Kindt, Geof Darrow

Matt Kindt brings his game-changing masterpiece Mind Mgmt to its astonishing conclusion in this unforgettable one-shot!

The war is over. The world has been changed. But into what?! In Shops: **19/08/2015**



Randy Stradley, Doug Wheatley

Blood, death, and fire-the darkest kind of magic. A monstrous secret from King Tiger's past has found the mystic warrior, but can Tiger's skills and sorcery triumph against an unthinkable supernatural obscenity linked to his own destiny? If the Tiger falls, the Dragon will rise!

In Shops: 12/08/2015



THIS DAMNED BAND #1 Paul Cornell, Tony Parker

1972: the world's most famous rock band thought they were "worshiping Satan," only to find they were actually... worshiping Satan.

From Paul Cornell (Wolverine, Action Comics) and Tony Parker (Mass Effect: Foundation) comes a darkly hilarious adventure of black magic and classic rock!

A hilarious documentary-style thrill ride of black magic and rock music! In Shops: **05/08/2015**



ZODIAC STARFORCE #1 Kevin Panetta, Paulina Ganucheau,

An elite group of teenage girls with magical powers have sworn to protect our planet against dark creatures... as long as they can get out of class!

These high-school girls aren't just combating math tests. They're also battling monsters! But when an evil force infects leader Emma, she must work with her team to save herselfand the world-from the evil Diana and her mean-girl minions!

In Shops: 26/08/2015



- WONDER WOMAN #1 J.M. DeMatteis, Bruce Timm, **Rick Leonardi**, Dan Green, Jae Lee

Prequel to the DC Universe movie Justice League: Gods And Monsters!

Earth in the 1960s-where a womanwarrior from a faraway world finds herself among a group of young idealists, seeking peace and love in a time of turbulence and upheaval. But Bekka of the New Gods finds her Aquarian dream abruptly shattered when she encounters the monstrous genius of Doctor Psycho and the Shock Exchange!

In Shops: 05/08/2015





JLA: **GODS AND** MONSTERS #1 J.M. DeMatteis Bruce Timm,

Darick

Prequel to the DC Universe movie Justice League: Gods And Monsters! Superman, Batman, and Wonder Woman: three powerful and dangerous loners, drawn together by a man who claims he can bring humanity to the next level of evolution. But are Jackson Alpert and his immortal Forever People what they claim to be? Will they save the Earth-or conquer it?

In Shops: 12/08/2015

Thony Silas, Robertson

BOMB-SHELLS #1 Marguerite Bennett,

DC COMICS

Marguerite Sauvage, Ant Lucia

The ultra-popular statues from DC Collectibles come to life in their own ongoing comic book series! Learn the story behind this alternate reality where the Second World War is fought by superpowered women on the front lines and behind the scenes! It all begins with the stories of Batwoman, Wonder Woman and Supergirl.

In Shops: 12/08/2015

HARLEY QUINN: ROAD TRIP SPECIAL #1

Amanda Conner, Jimmy Palmiotti, Bret Blevins

It's the great American summer tradition, but you've never seen a road trip quite like this before! Harley, Ivy, and Catwoman are burning rubber across the U.S. of A! We recommend you all stay off the roads for the month of August, just to be safe. In Shops: 26/08/2015

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X-FILES: SEASON 11 #1

Joe Harris, Matthew Dow Smith, Menton3

Mulder has become a fugitive from a government that considers him a "secrets stealer" on the order of Julian Assange or Edward Snowden thanks to the mechanizations of "The Glasses-Wearing Man." It's up to Scully, and what allies Mulder has left, to work to clear his name and keep the government itself from falling further into the villain's clutches.

In Shops: 19/08/2015



BOY-1 #1 H.S. Tak, Amancay Nahuelpan, Zach Howard

In the fast-approaching future, when the drug-addled heir of a genetic-engineering company begins to investigate his company's murky past, he discovers he is the catalyst in a terrifying global event that will transform him and forever alter the course of human evolution. In Shops: 26/08/2015



TMNT: AMAZING **ADVENT-**URES #1

Landry Quinn Walker, James Kochalka, Chad Thomas, James Kochalka

This new series will feature crazier stories in it's own all-ages continuhit Nickelodeon cartoon! Featuring backups from some of the finest cartoonists in comics today! In Shops: 19/08/2015



GARBAGE PAIL KIDS GO HOLLY-WOOD (ONE-SHOT) Bob Fingerman, Jeff Zapata, Mark Pingatore, Various

Everyone's a critic! Join the Garbage Pail Kids as they put the spotlight on summer's top grossing movies! In Shops: 19/08/2015



A hard-boiled pop-culture sensation re-created for comics. In L.A., there's one man you want behind the wheel. Just tell him where and when. He doesn't take part, doesn't know anyone, doesn't carry a weapon. He drives, and he's the best. Ride along as James Sallis' ity that draws inspiration from the lean nü-noir masterpiece unfolds onto the sun-bleached streets of Los Angeles in this exciting 4-part comic book adaptation.

In Shops: 19/08/2015



SHERLOCK **HOLMES:** SEVEN-PER-CENT SOLUTION #1

Scott Tipton, David Tipton. Ron Joseph

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: 26/08/2015



STRING **DIVERS #1** Chris Ryall, Nelson Daniel, Ashley Wood

Meet the String Divers! A renegade team called upon to save the universe from arcane threats at the sub-microscopic level! String theory made real, and real thrilling, in "Unified Chaos Theory," Part 1! In Shops: 26/08/2015





APOLLO IX (ONE-SHOT) Ashley Robinson, Fernando Argosino

From the pages of IXth Generation! Apollo IX is a ruthless scientist who uses his beauty in order to get his work done for him. Eros and Psyche are two of his brightest protégés, but will they live to see their contributions to Apollo IX's latest experiment come to life? In Shops: 12/08/2015



BEAUTY #1 Jeremy Haun, James A. Hurley

The pilot season winner returns!

Modern society is obsessed with outward beauty. What if there was a way to guarantee you could become more and more beautiful every day? What if it was a sexually transmitted disease? In the world of The Beauty, physical perfection is attainable. The vast majority of the population has taken advantage of it, but Detectives Foster and Vaughn will soon discover it comes at a terrible price.

stantine, Batwoman) and co-writer Jason A. Hurley offer up a startling reflection on the cost of looking good in this procedural science fiction tale.

In Shops: 12/08/2015

PHONOGRAM: THE IMMATERIAL GIRL #1

Kieron Gillen, Jamie McKelvie, Matthew Wilson

The team behind the New York Times bestselling and Eisner-nominated smash hit The Wicked + The Divine return to the acclaimed urbanfantasy where they first made their names. Nearly a decade ago, Emily Aster sold half her personality for the power to rule a coven of phonomancers. I'm sure nothing could go horribly, monstrously wrong now. In a world where Music is Magic, a song can save or ruin your life. In The Immaterial Girl, we discover what a video can do. In Shops: 12/08/2015



DARK CORRIDOR #1 **Rich Tommaso**

From the author of Clover Honey and 81/2 Ghosts, Rich Tommaso, comes an all-new ongoing series set in the fictional coastal city of Red Circle - a city totally controlled by mobsterswho, after decades of wielding power, are silently being picked off Writer/artist Jeremy Haun (Con- one-by-one by unidentified female assassins. Like a Goodfellas script re imagined by Quentin Tarantino, this sprawling crime-adventure will keep you guessing and tuning in for more month after month!

In Shops: 05/08/2015





MARVEL

HOUSE OF M #1

Dennis Hopeless, Marco Failla, Kris Anka /

The House of Magnus controls all, having crushed all resistance to their reign. Magneto rules with an iron-fist, while his children and grandchildren live their lives as royals-with all the privileges and pit-falls that come with that title.

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But is Magneto's control as all-encompassing as it seems? And what happens to a conqueror when there is no one left to conquer?

n Shops: 19/08/2015



ANT-MAN: LAST DAYS #1 Nick Spencer, Ramon Rosanas, Mark Brooks

When a local clairvoyant predicts the end of the world, a mysterious woman sends Scott on a vital mission! An old foe (okay, maybe more like annoyance) shows up - and Scott's going to regret it! What do you do when you think the world is about to end? What do you think? Doesn't anybody else remember 1999? You party! Everything dies? Pfft. Everything dances. In Shops: **26/08/2015**



HOWARD THE HUMAN #1 Skottie Young,

Skottie Young, Jim Mahfood

Spend a day with Howard, a private investigator and the only human living in city full of animals. But not, like, criminals and lowlifes. We're talking elephants, apes, ducks and kitty cats. Catching a case, grinding a few gears, dodging some bullets and almost getting killed by an anthropomorchic monstrosity. It's just another Monday for Howard the Human brought to you by Skottie Young (Rocket Raccoon) and Jim Mahfood (Miami Vice Remix). In Shops: **19/08/2015**



HANK JOHNSON: AGENT OF HYDRA #1 David Mandel,

Michael Walsh,

Amanda

Conner

Hey there, comic reader! Have you ever wondered what Hydra agents do during their downtime? No? Well...then, uh, go read Hail Hydra. For everyone else with a burning desire to see a Hydra agent letting it all hang out, this is the book for you! Be thrilled as Hank picks up his kids from school! Be amazed as Hank talks with Hydra's HR department! And be stupefied as Hank wishes he had picked a different line of work! From Curb Your Enthusiasm executive producer David Mandel, Hank Johnson, Agent of Hydra will have you looking at faceless henchmen in a whole new light.

In Shops: 12/08/2015



SECRET WARS: SECRET LOVE #1 David Nakayama, Various

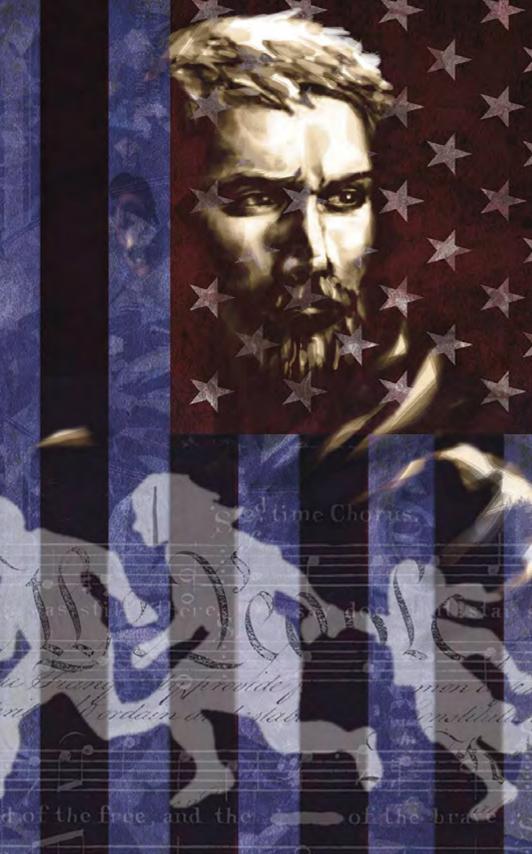
When worlds collide, can their love survive?

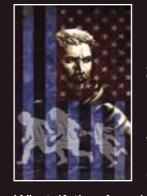
Robbie Reyes / Kamala Khan! Typhoid Mary / Karen Page / Matt Murdock!

And many more secret love affairs... In Shops: **19/08/2015**



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AMERICA TOWN #1 BOOM! Bradford Winters, Daniel Irizarri, Mike Choi

What if the American Dream were no longer possible? Screenwriters Bradford Winters (Oz, Boss, Kings) and Larry Cohen (Phone Booth, Cellular), give us a story great for fans of Transmetropolitan, Hacktivist, and the TV show Black Mirror.

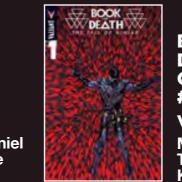
After an economic collapse, Americans are illegally emigrating to other countries to find work, creating "Americatowns" wherever they go. Owen has a difficult time trying to sneak back into Buenos Aires in Argentina to rejoin his family; his struggle is just a small part of the hardships and conflicting agendas in an immigrant community trying to build itself in the shadow of a once great nation.

In Shops: 12/08/2015



RED SONJA / CONAN #1 DYNAMITE Victor Gischler, Roberto Castro, Alex Ross

Red Sonja and Conan are reunited as captains of mercenary companies who team to fight the forces of an evil sorcerer. Little do they realize that a shadow of the past has returned, something of dire peril from their previous adventures together. It's the Cimmerian and Sonja reunited for more bloody swordplay! In Shops: **05/08/2015**



BOOK OF DEATH: FALL OF NINJAK #1 VALIANT Matt Kindt, Trevor Hairsine, Kano

So let it be written, so let it be done...

In the ruins of his mansion, Colin King hunkers down as the last living member of Unity after the Third Armor Hunt - or so he thinks. A visit from an old friend and a peace offering present the chance for Ninjak to break the cycle of death and escape the horrible fate foretold in the Book of the Geomancer. Will he betray his dead friends or will The Fall Of Ninjak come to pass and give rise to a very familiar future... In Shops: **26/08/2015**



VAN HELSING VS DRACULA #1 ZENESCOPE Patrick Shand, Andrea Meloni, Richard Ortiz

Last year, Liesel Van Helsing was attacked by an evil from her father's past... but she survived, and has moved on with her life. Besides becoming the name that vampires in the tri-state area fear, she's also found love - in, admittedly, the strangest places. However, when old friends come calling on her for help, she will find herself pulled into a final conflict with the deadliest vampire of all time...

In Shops: 05/08/2015



* COVER STAR * WELCOME BACK #1 BOOM!

Christopher Sebela, Jonathan Brandon Sawyer Mali and Tessa have lived hundreds of different lives throughout time, caught up in an eternal cycle as they

caught up in an eternal cycle as they take part in a war so old that neither side remembers what they're fighting for anymore. As Mali wakes up in her newest life, she suddenly becomes self-aware and starts to question everything, especially why she continues to fight. But elsewhere, Tessa is already on the hunt...

In Shops: 05/08/2015



MUIRWOOD: THE LOST ABBEY #1 JET CITY Matthew Sturge, Alex Sheikman, Inaki Miranda

A brand-new story set in bestselling author Jeff Wheeler's Muirwood universe! Maia, the daughter of the king of Comoros, has been banished. Although magic is forbidden of women in her world, Maia has secretly learned... and now her desperate father has sent her on a dangerous quest to save their kingdom. She voyages to another realm where an ancient Blight has destroyed all the inhabitants. Maia believes she can restore the deadly lands by using her magic medallion, but if she's discovered wielding her clandestine power, she will most certainly be hunted down and killed!

In Shops: 26/08/2015





JET CITY Joshua Hale Fialkov, Bernard Chang, Marcelo Maiolo

King just wants what anybody wants: not to get fired, eaten, or forced to mate with a cheetah lady. As Earth's sole human survivor after the apocalypse, life among Los Angeles' strange, new populace ain't easy. Working for the LA Department of Reclamation, King gets a lot of crappy jobs going on quests and searching for artifacts from the "old world," which can range from the mythical (Excalibur!) to the absurd (an iPod Shuffle). The work commute can be a real pain in the asphalt, the 405 freeway is filled with mutants, monsters, mayhem and tentacled Elder Gods...

In Shops: 19/08/2015



A ruthless cabal of magicians is searching for the secret to the Last Illusion, and they'll stop at nothing to achieve their goals. But the person who knew the most about the mysterious rite is dead, and he shared his secret with one man -the Shadow! Now, the Shadow faces some of his strangest foes as he engages in a deadly game where he might be the hunter... or the hunted. In Shops: 05/08/2015



Paul and Nick are the guys who shoot the news. Filming car chases, fires, and shootouts in their bustedup rig, they put their (uninsured, unsalaried) lives on the line every night so that the good citizens of Los Angeles can get their daily update. But when a firefight between the LAPD and the MS-13 goes wrong, Nick and Paul find themselves on the run.

#1

ONI

Marc

Justin

In Shops: 19/08/2015



Airing last November, Pat McHale's Over The Garden Wall was Cartoon Network's first-ever original animated miniseries. The eerily sweet story of two half-brothers trying to find their way home has now been expanded with McHale and returning artist Jim Campbell to a new Over The Garden Wall story set between episodes three and four of the animated series!

Wirt and Greg are trying to hitch a ride out of schooltown but end up having to walk. Soon, they come upon two girls playing, and wind up having to keep them entertained so that they don't wake their giant father!

In Shops: 26/08/2015



DOCTOR WHO: FOUR DOCTORS #1 TITAN Paul Cornell, Neil Edwards

What shocking past event brings three Doctors together - to combat an unknown foe with three incarnations in its sights? The five-part Doctor Who event of 2015 begins here in a tale written by Doctor Who novelist Paul Cornell and illustrated by Neil Edwards that brings together the tenth Doctor and Gabby, the eleventh Doctor and Alice, and the twelfth Doctor and Clara! In Shops: 12/08/2015



Marion Her perilous quest resumes!

#1

ASPEN

J. T. Krul,

Kenneth

JIRNI VOL.2

Ara has returned-and has left more than her homeland behind, as her journey brings her to sea along with Boro and his band of pirates. However, what new wonders-and dangers-await Ara on their next stop? And will she be able to survive the experience? The world of Jirni explodes into uncharted territory as Ara's epic story continues!

Creator J.T. Krul, artist V Ken Marion, and colorist Juan Fernandez are proud to present the follow-up volume to Aspen's smash hit series - Jirni!

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In Shops: 05/08/2015

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





O DEATHSTROM

DEATH STROKE: GODS AND WAR - BOOK AND MASK SET DC Daniel, Florea



ANGEL AND FAITH -SEASON 10 VOL.3: UNITED DARK HORSE Gischler, Conrad, Fischer



DEATH OF WOLVERINE MARVEL Soule, McNiven

An all-new series taking place the world of smash-hit TV show The Flash!

Follow the adventures of Barry Allen as he struggles to balance his job as a police crime scene investigator, his unrequited crush on Iris West (who also happens to be his boss' daughter) and his new life as Central City's guardian angel.

Collects The Flash: Season Zero #1-12.

In Shops: 02/09/2015



FIFTH BEATLE: THE BRIAN EPSTEIN STORY DARK HORSE Tiwary, Robinson, Baker

The Fifth Beatle recounts the untold story of visionary Beatles manager Brian Epstein-who created Beatlemania and guided the band from basement gigs to unprecedented international stardom. This multipleaward-winning graphic novel has been added to the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame Library and Archives, and a film adaptation begins shooting in 2015!

In Shops: 14/10/2015

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The latest book and mask set stars classic DC villain Deathstroke, and features a PVC mask plus Deathstroke Vol. 1: Gods Of War graphic novel, collecting issues #1-6 of the new, hit series!

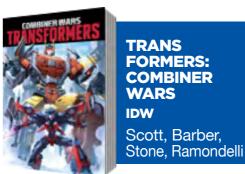
In Shops: 04/11/2015



The Illuminati killed a world - and their own is next. Jonathan Hickman's cataclysmic saga, two years in the making, jumps ahead to its epic climax! For Earth's Mightiest Heroes and the Illuminati, it has all been building to this - the day of the Final Incursion! The Cabal has re-formed with a new, deadly cast, but their motives are complicated. Both groups will fight to save their world - but have all the battles they've endured, all the sacrifices they've made, prepared either group for the inevitable moment where time runs out for everybody?

Collecting Avengers (2012) #35-37 and New Avengers (2013) #24-25. In Shops: **09/09/2015** When Faith returns to London, her qualms about reteaming with vampire Angel are pushed aside when the demon Eldre Koh's search for vengeance and his lost friend Illyria brings him to Magic Town. Illyria isn't in Magic Town, but strangely, Illyria's host, Winifred Burkle ...is.

Collects issues #11-#15. In Shops: **14/10/2015**



The Autobots and Decepticons' uneasy peace is threatened by the flames of war!

Starscream - ruler of Cybertron makes contact with Windblade's home world-and the only defense against a new Cybertronian Empire are Combiners - multiple Cybertronians forming together into huge, dangerous forms!

Collects issues #39-41 of Transformers and the first three issues of Transformers: Windblade-Combiner Wars. In Shops: **12/08/2015** Logan is no stranger to death. He's killed thousands. He's watched teammates, friends and lovers die. Now, stripped of his healing factor, the X-Man and Avenger faces his own date with the reaper. There's a bounty on his head, a price big enough to put a horde of enemies and assassins on his trail. The race is on to find Wolverine, but who put out the contract? Sabretooth? Viper? Or someone even worse? When Logan discovers that his mystery foe wants him alive, he turns on the offensive. As the hunted becomes the hunter once more, he's determined to die the way he lived. The Wolverine will go out fighting. Collecting Death Of Wolverine #1-4.

In Shops: 13/01/2016



WALKING DEAD VOL.24: LIFE AND DEATH IMAGE Kirkman, Adlard Steward, Various

As the fair opens at Alexandria, old friends return from afar and new adversaries make their introductions. Collects The Walking Dead #139-144. In Shops: **26/08/2015**

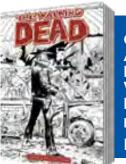
NOVEL DEAS NEW GRAPHIC NOVELS AND COLLECTED EDITIONS ARRIVING FROM AUGUST ONWARDS...



The Anarchist League of Scientists dive deeper into the Onion than ever before.

Now veterans of inter-dimensional travel, the team begins to realize how damaging their actions are on the fabric of reality. No longer content with merely fixing the Pillar and finding a way back home, they vow to uphold a new ideal: leave every dimension they visit better off than how they found it.

In Shops: 12/08/2015



GIANT SIZED ARTISTS PROOF: WALKING DEAD #1 IMAGE

Kirkman, Moore

The all-new Image Giant-Sized Artist's Proof Edition series presents special artist achievements in their raw form in an oversized format.

Tony Moore's gritty line work from The Walking Dead #1 is presented here in glorious black and white inks, free of grey tones, at 11x17.

In Shops: 26/08/2015

Bridging the gap between seasons 2 and 3 of the hit TV series Arrow, these tales from issues #1-12 start with Oliver Queen's battle against the Church of Blood, with the fate of Starling City hanging in the balance. In Shops: 30/09/2015

The Guardians Of The Galaxy are

caught in the pull of the Black Vortex!

With the Slaughter Lords hot on their

tails, the X-Men and the Guardians

must find somewhere to stash their

precious cargo, but will the tempta-

tion of the Vortex's unknown power

be too much for this band of misfits?

Rocket leaps into action! Gamora

goes on the offensive! Star-Lord is

defiant! This story has it all - but does

it seem like they have forgotten some-

thing in all the cosmic craziness? Oh,

that's right, Peter got elected presi-

Collecting Guardians Of The Galaxy

(2013) #24-27 and Annual (2015) #1.

dent of Spartax! Wait, what?!

In Shops: 30/09/2015



GUARDIANS OF THE GALAXY VOL.5 (HC) MARVEL Bendis, Schiti, Star Trek: The hope for the best of mankind's future!

Planet Of The Apes: A chilling look at the fall of humanity!

How could these worlds possibly collide? What could possibly cause Captain Kirk and the crew of the Enterprise to side with Dr. Zaius to protect Ape City? And what does Colonel George Taylor have to say about it?

In Shops: 26/08/2015



The darkness is coming to Wainright, Alaska. A group of frozen bodies are eerily and impossibly arranged at the top of a 40-foot pole so FBI agents Fox Mulder and Dana Scully are called in to investigate. X-Files/ 30 Days of Night brings together two iconic franchises, pitting the government's best supernatural investigators against a horde of parasitic vampires.

In Shops: 12/08/2015

When Princess Leia Organa was captured by the Empire, she never betrayed her convictions, even after the complete destruction of her home world, Alderaan. When her rescue came, Leia joined the fight, escaping back to the Rebel Alliance and helping strike the biggest blow against the Empire - destroying the Death Star! In the aftermath of that victory, the Empire is rounding up fugitive Alderaanians, and that doesn't sit well with their Princess! Join the galaxy's toughest Princess on a quest to save her people and rebuild her life!

Collecting Princess Leia #1-5. In Shops: 14/10/2015



MY LITTLE PONY: FRIENDS FOREVER VOL.4 IDW Whitley, Curnow, Garbowska, Mebberson

Four tales of friendship and fun! Contains stories involving Rarity and Babs, Spike and Luna, Applejack and Mayor Mare, plus Silver Spoon and Diamond Tiara! Collects issues #13-16. In Shops: 19/08/2015



MARVEL RELAUNCH 2015

Marvel have finally revealed that in the Fall (Autumn to us Brits) their universe re-launches. Everything will be back to normal, but, with subtle and not so subtle changes



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as the titles are modernised for today's reader. Miles Morales will be in the new universe for one big change. Also the lives of everyone in the new issue #1s (55 plus, they say) will be seen eight months after 'The Change' - The Change being the end of Secret Wars. We will try and keep followers updated with details through our social media channels, so if you'd like to stay informed, start following us on Facebook, Twitter, Google+, Tumblr or Pinterest (you'll find links to all in the index).

Basically they are 'doing a DC New 52', but slightly bigger as they are Marvel. When they made many relaunches a few years back with the slogan 'Marvel Now' the new titles were good, some excellent, but the universe lacked a cohesive union. This time, as shown by DC, a total revamp in one fell swoop is the way to do it.

Despite my natural dislike of yet more #1s (it makes a real mess of my back issue sections in the stores!), I am actually genuinely excited. The only thing that could possibly upset me is if Nova doesn't return. For the last two and a half years, that series has been my number one, must read each month. It never missed a beat for me.

So expect the return of Wolverine, but with a twist. Expect Iron Man, but with a twist. Basically expect the unexpected, but expect to be entertained.



COMICS ARE NOT JUST ABOUT SUPERHEROES

I know that our focus is nearly all on Marvel and DC - they do produce the most comics and most of the biggest sellers - however the most interesting, thought provoking, reality based, scary, politically motivated and plain nice comics come from the independent companies. So whilst we all will be trying a new Marvel number one this autumn, don't forget about Image, IDW, Boom, Valiant, Dynamite, Avatar, Antarctic, Oni Press and Titan to name a few.

The output from these publishers is refreshing and exciting each and every month. I find that reading titles from these guys is an absolute necessity if I want to be able to continue reading my standard superhero fare. If I have just read for weeks on end nothing but superhero comics I do become a bit jaded and find that the switch to something different is just the boost I need to enjoy the medium fully in all its forms.

MISSION FOR THE MONTH

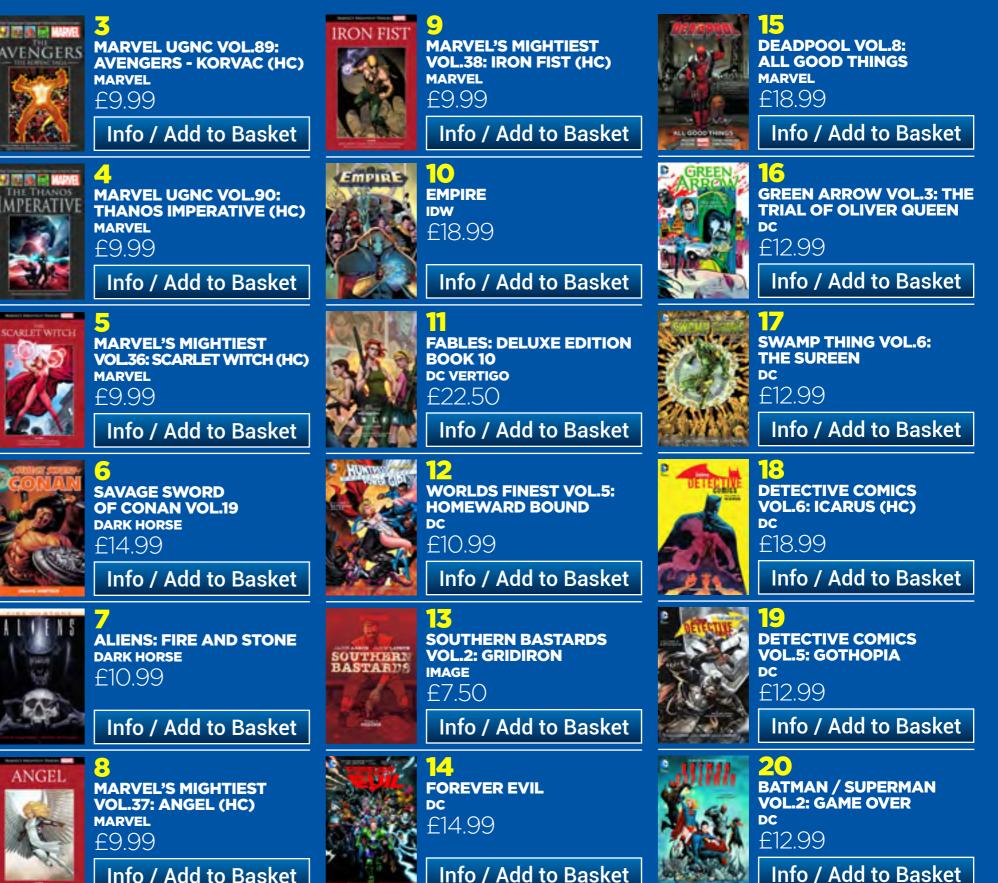
Talk comics to people. I am finding more and more 'secret' readers. They have been buying on E-bay and Amazon, so they are not seen going into comic shops. It is time to encourage them to out themselves.





TOP 20 GRAPHIC NOVELS

ACE COMICS' BESTSELLING GRAPHIC NOVELS FOR MAY 2015



THANDS (HC) MARVEL £18.99

STARLIN

Annihilus makes a renewed assault on the positive universe. Could the fate of everything rest in the hands of... Thanos? Cosmic maestro Jim Starlin's infinite odyssey continues!



STAR WARS: EPISODE IV -A NEW HOPE (HC) MARVEL f18.99

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