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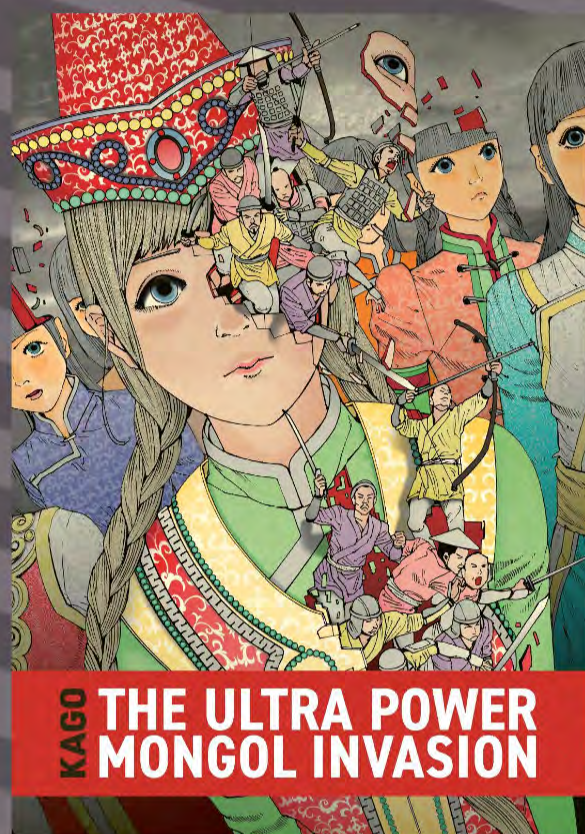
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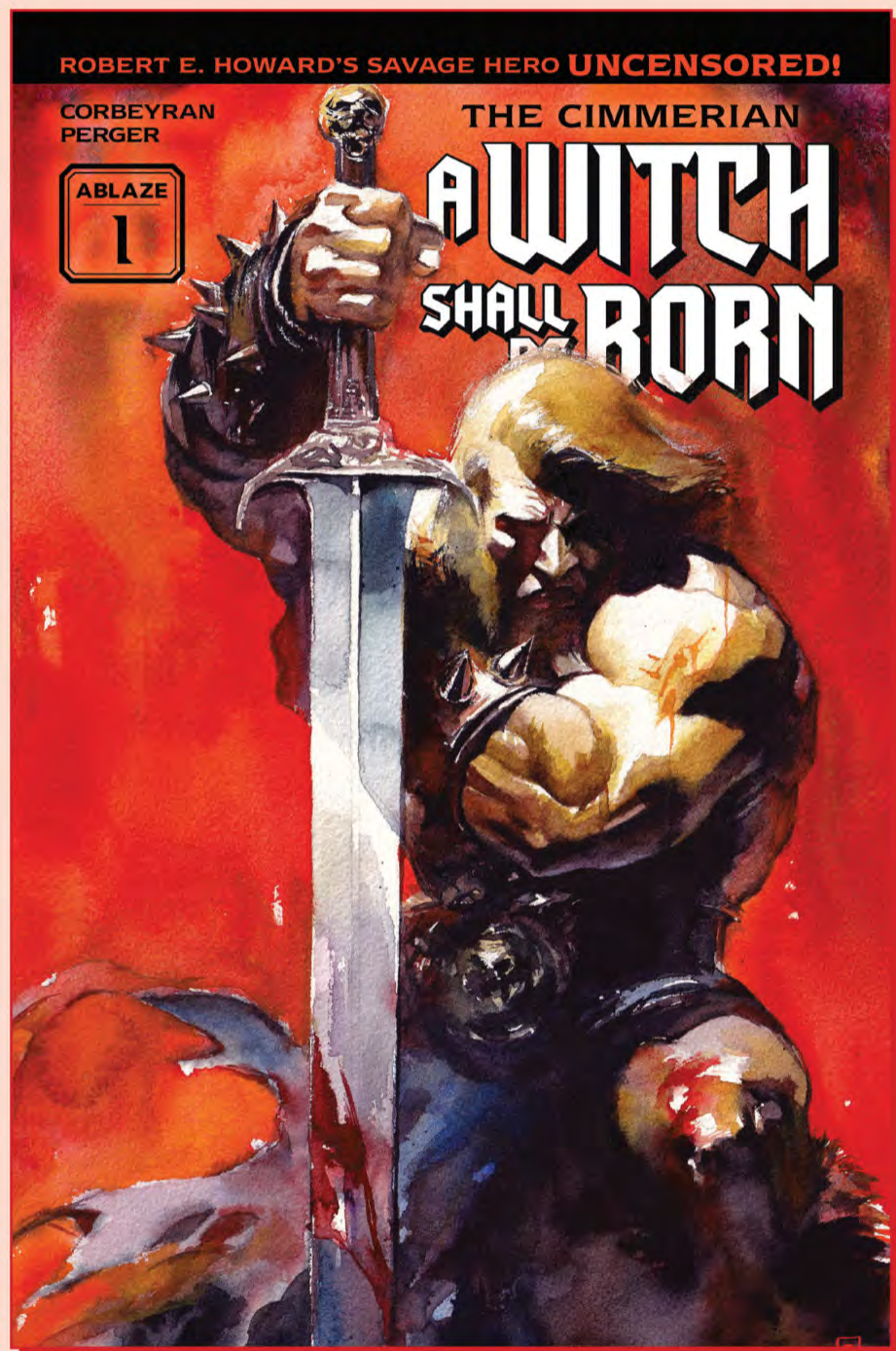


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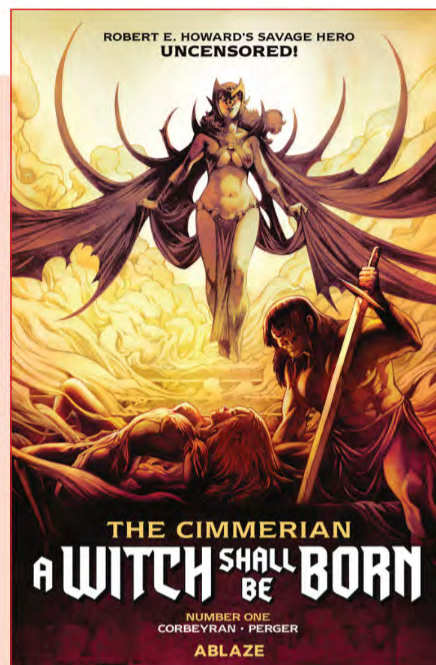
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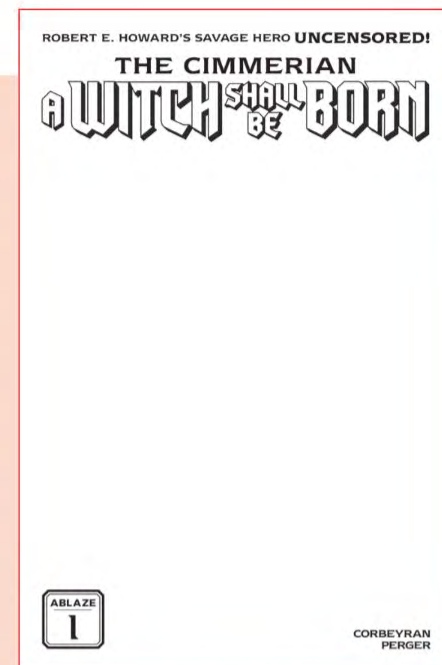
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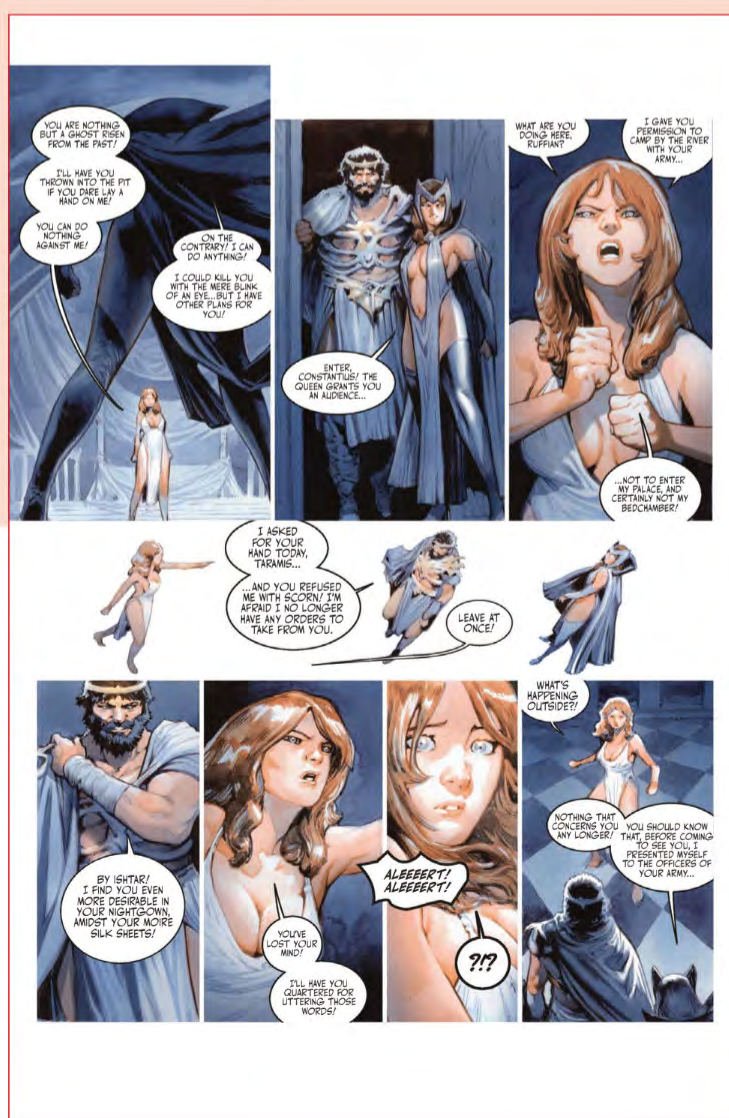
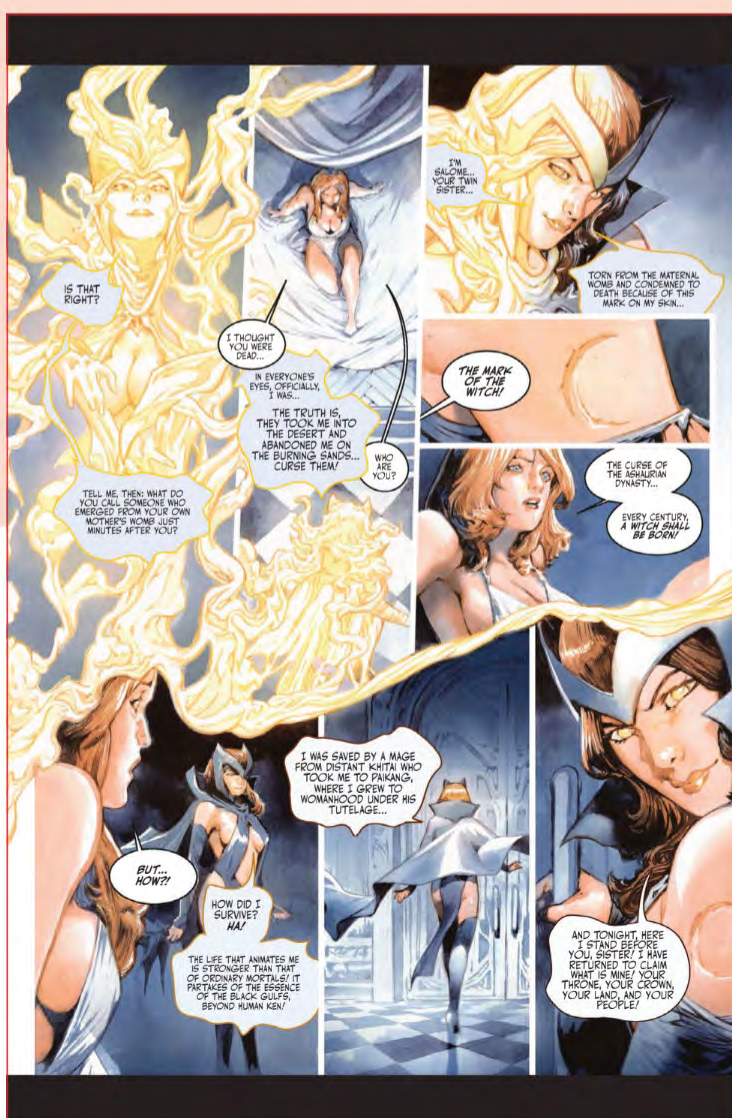
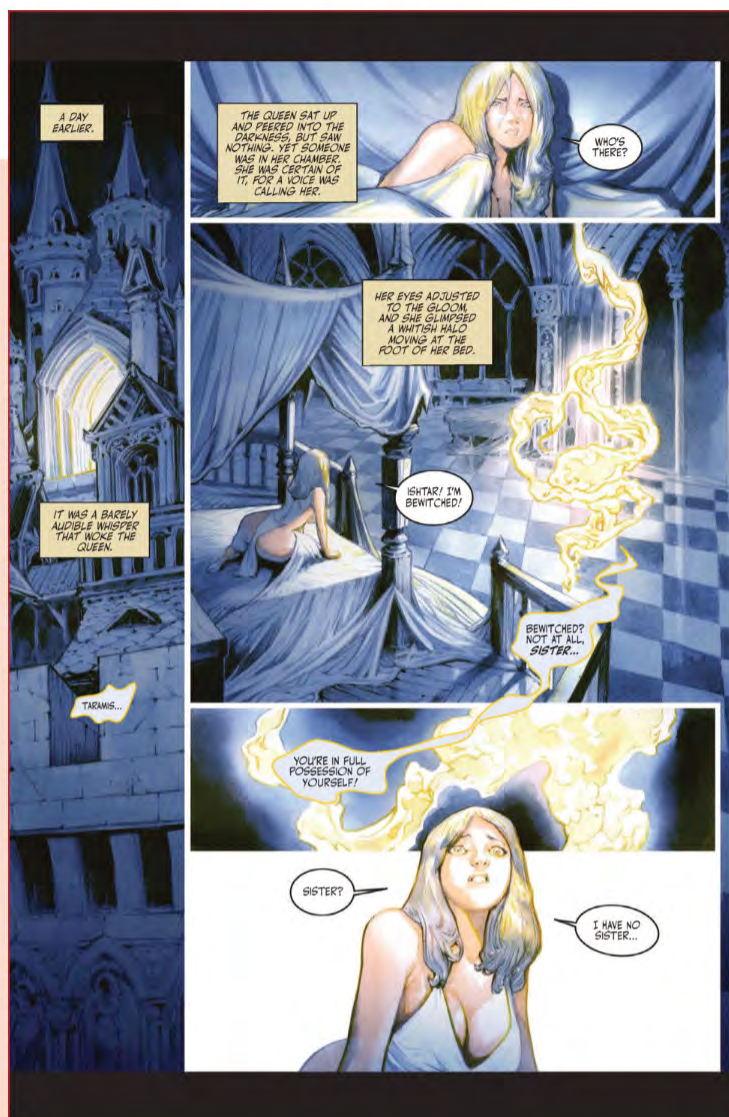
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THE LYCAN #3

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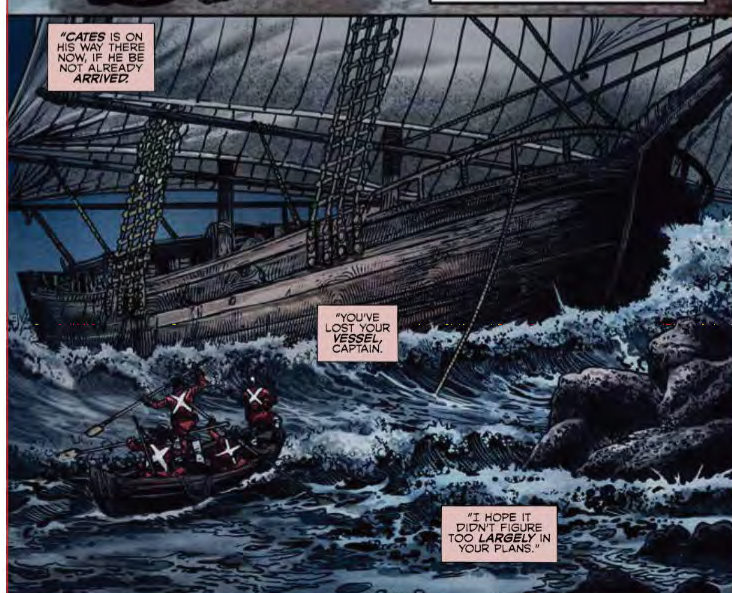
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VALHALLAW #5

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ARTIST: PEDRO R.M. ANDREO



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WRITER/ARTIST: OSAMU TEZUKA



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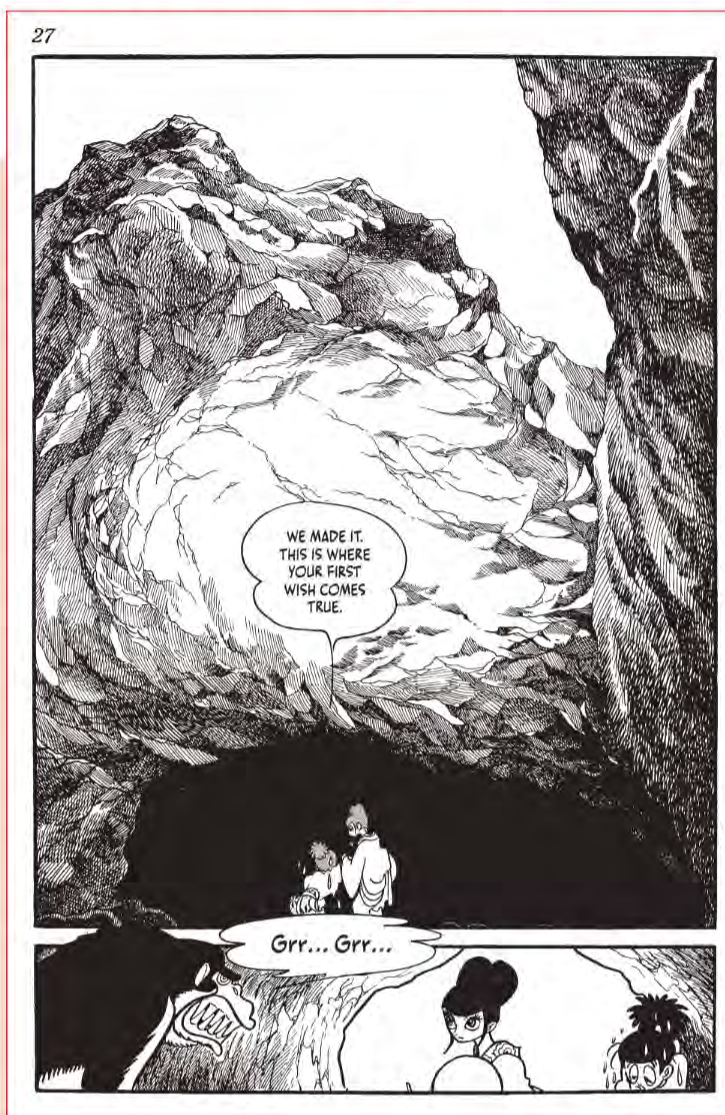
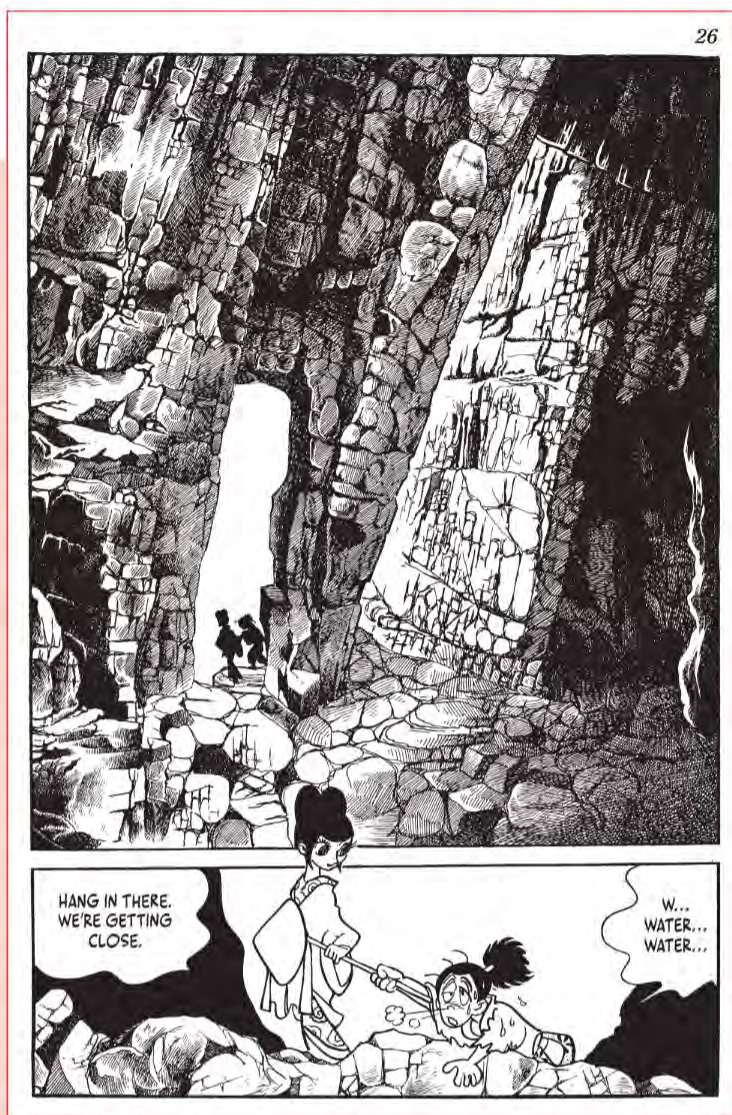
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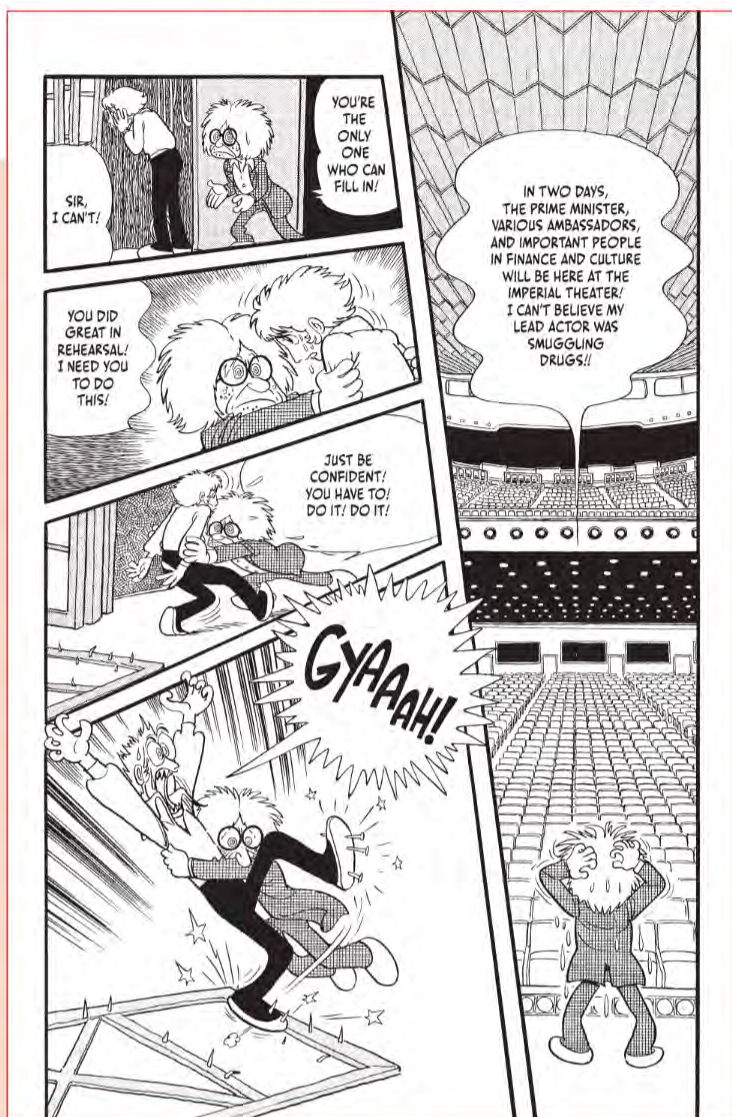
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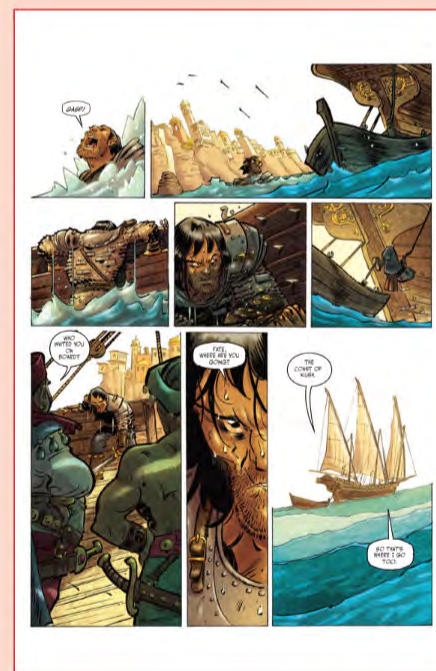
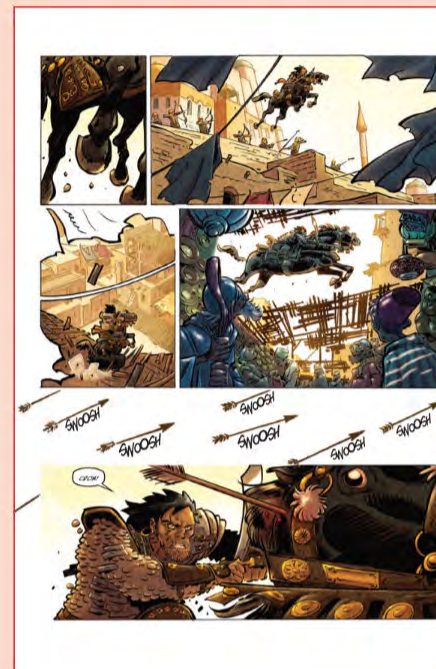
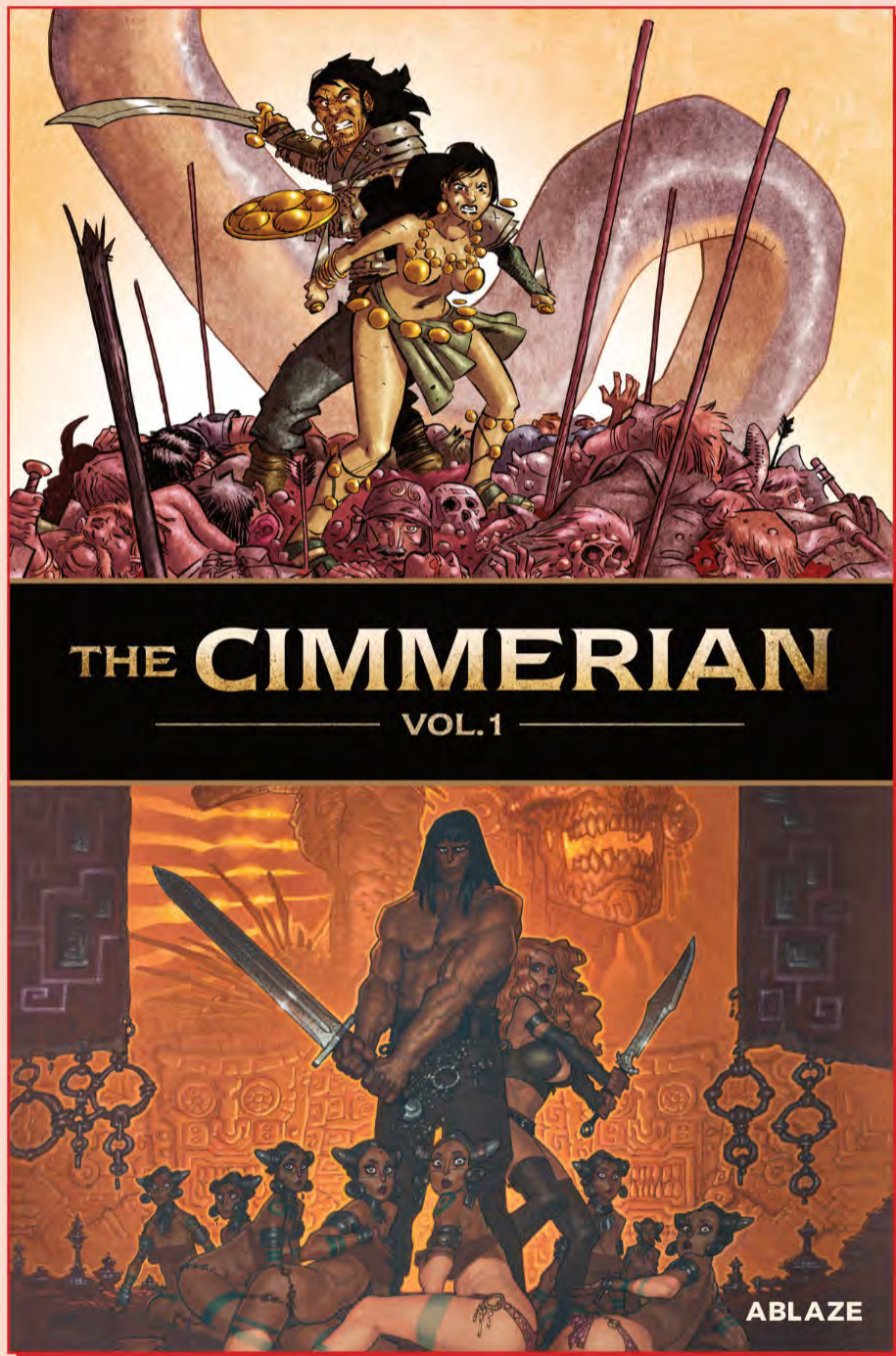
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In *Queen of the Black Coast*, Conan seeks refuge on a merchant ship, after being pursued for killing a judge. But soon after setting sail, the Cimmerian and his new companions face a threat: the legendary Belit, self-proclaimed Queen of the Black Coast!

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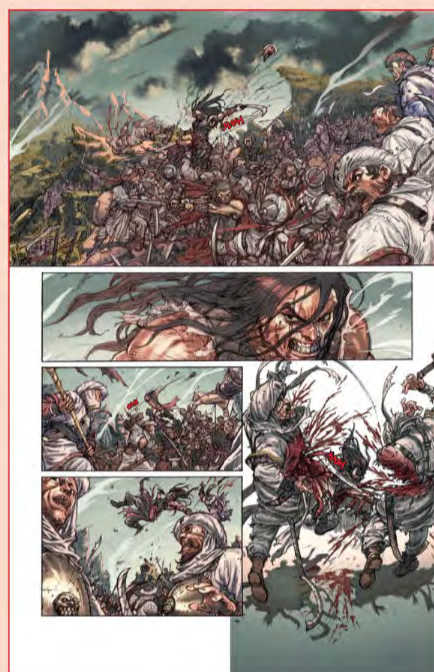
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The Cimmerian Vol 2 includes two complete stories, *The People of The Black Circle*, and *The Frost-Giant's Daughter*, plus bonus material, including the original prose stories, in one hardcover collection!

In *The People of the Black Circle*, the king has just died in the kingdom of Vendhya, struck down by the spells of the black prophets of Yimsha. The king's sister, Yasmina, decides to avenge him...and contacts Conan.

In *The Frost-Giant's Daughter*, Conan, the only survivor of a ferocious battle, sits in the midst of a bloodstained snowfield. When the fight is over, the Cimmerian suddenly finds himself overcome with deep weariness and disgust until the moment he meets a redheaded woman of supernatural beauty, blinding like the glow of the sun on the snow.



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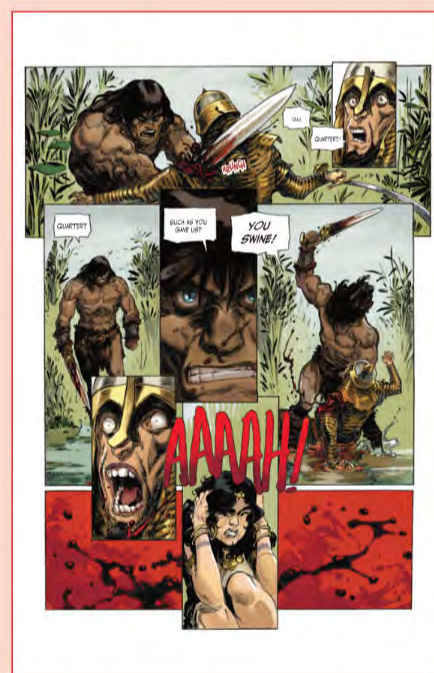
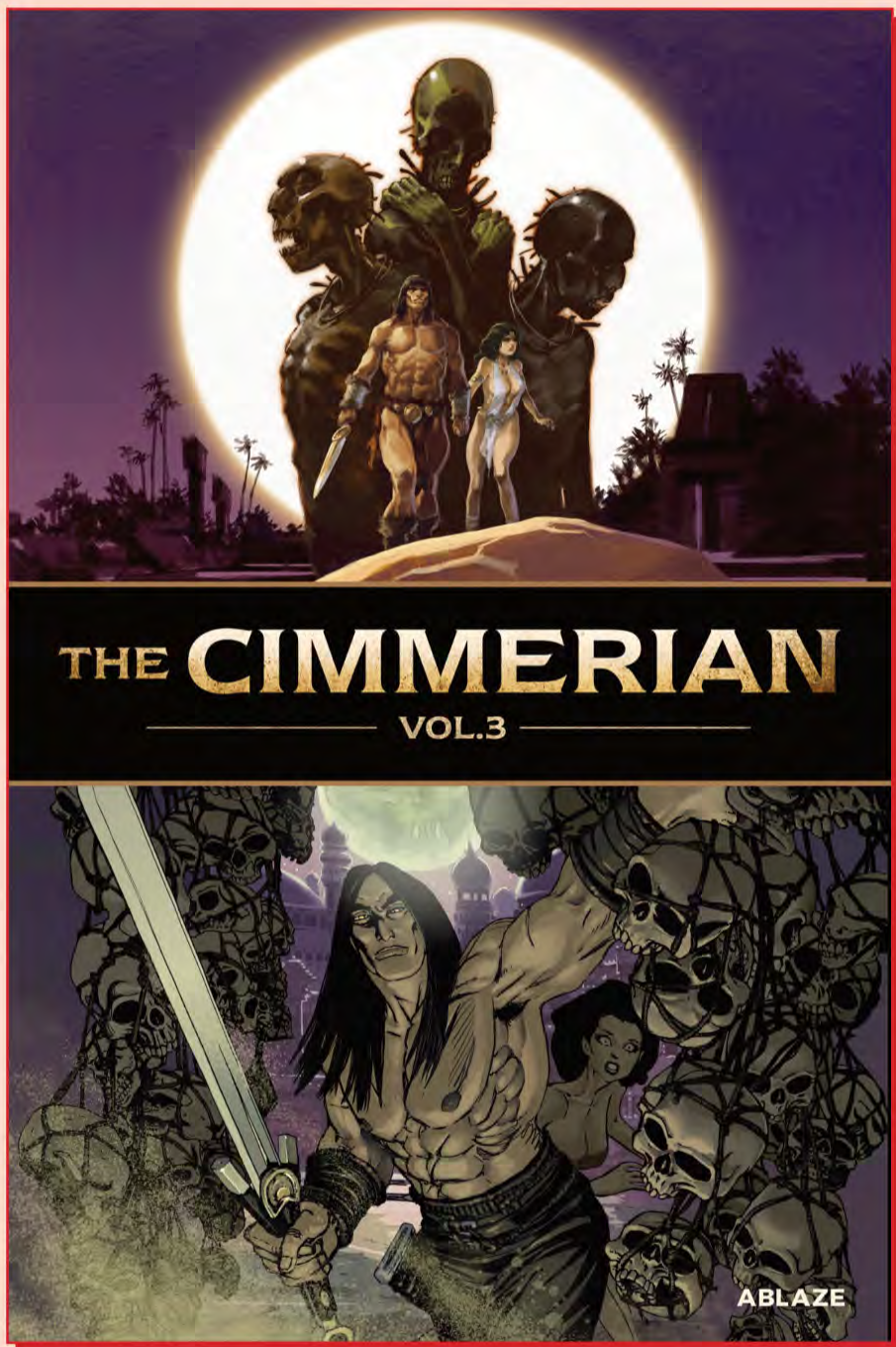
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ARTIST/COVER: VIRGINIE AUGUSTIN, GESS



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Ablaze returns with two more thrilling adventures of Robert E. Howard's famous Cimmerian! The Cimmerian Vol 3 includes two complete stories, *Iron Shadows in the Moon* and *The Man-Eaters of Zamboula*, plus bonus materials!

In *Iron Shadows in the Moon*, a young woman in danger is pursued by her vile master. Conan, whose family has just been wiped out by this same master, puts an end to the beauty's pursuer, and saves her with a blow of his sword. Bound by fate, the couple decide to hit the road together, and their journey takes them to an island where they discover strange ruins inhabited by dark magic.

In *The Man-Eaters of Zamboula*, the Cimmerian finds himself in the mythical trading city of Zamboula. There, Conan is warned of the dangers of Aram Baksh's home. It is said that most of the foreigners who stay there disappear under obscure circumstances... and it is precisely where the Cimmerian is spending the night.



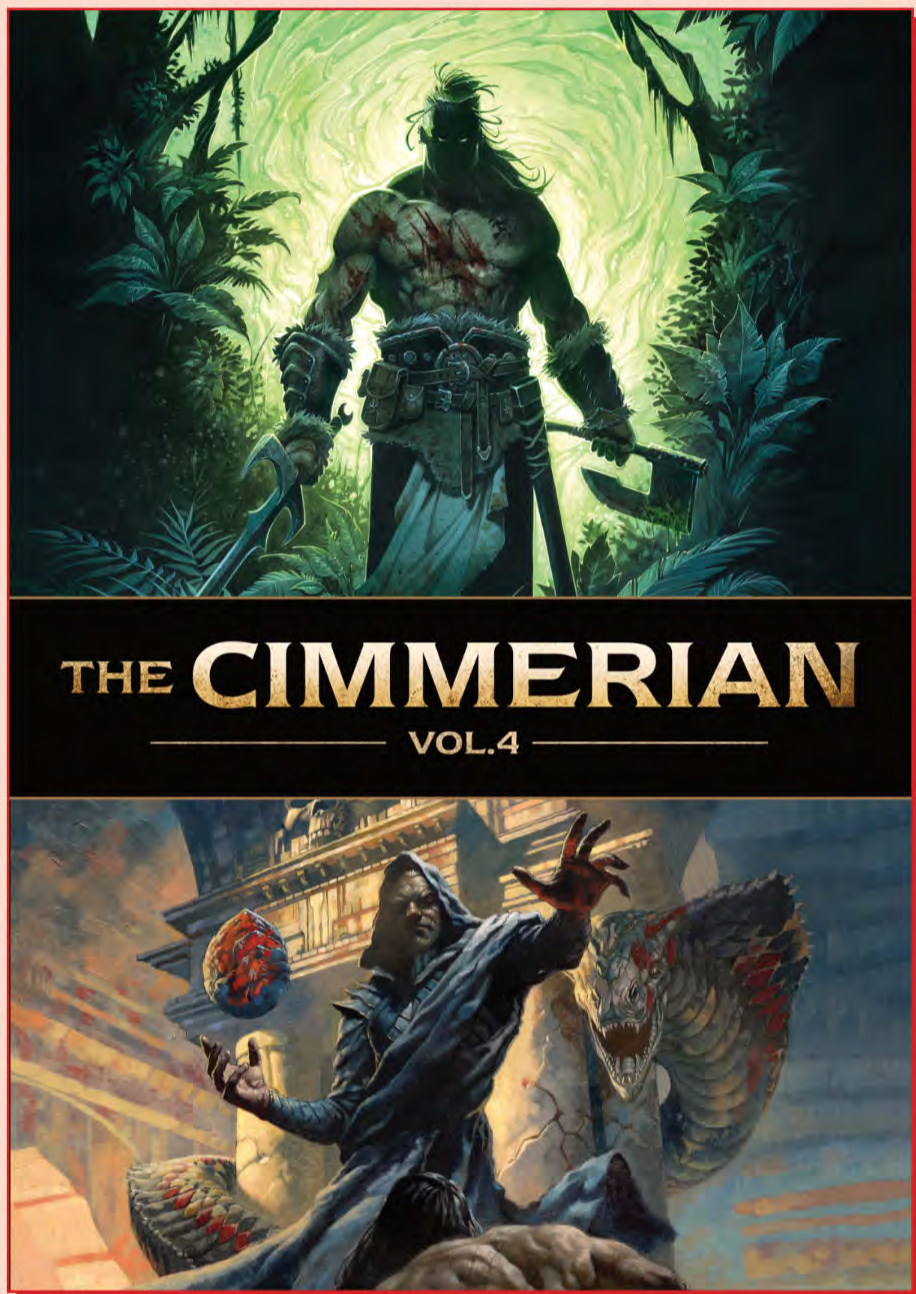
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ARTIST/COVER: ANTHONY JEAN, VALENTIN SÉCHER



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The Cimmerian Vol 4 continues Ablaze's run of collected Robert E. Howard adaptations featuring two complete stories: *Beyond the Black River* and *Hour of the Dragon*, plus bonus material, including the original prose stories, in one beautiful hardcover!

In *Beyond the Black River*, the Pictish Wilderness is an obscure jungle where the border between civilization and barbarism is thin. This is embodied in the Black River, where it is claimed that no outside man is able to cross and come back alive. None, except Conan.

In *Hour of the Dragon*, beneath the mausoleum belonging to the ancient and cruel Emperor Xaltotun of Python, three men devoured by ambition come to offer the deceased sovereign the Heart of Ahriman, a source of immortality which once belonged to him and taken away at the cost of his life. In exchange for this offering, the three men wish claim a single reward: the world. However, there is a man able to stand in their way, the Cimmerian who seized the throne of Aquilonia: Conan!



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The story of The Breaker follows Si-woon Lee, a timid high school student who becomes the disciple to Chun-Woo Han, an extremely talented martial artist who is an enemy to the secret martial arts society known as the Murim. However, Si-woon is naïve, unaware of his master's past and the unseen underbelly of the society. How will Chun-Woo manage to teach Si-woon and help him survive in the brutal world of Murim?

Jeon Geuk-jin and Park Jin-Hwan's fighting manhwa has been praised for its sensational action and captivating storyline, with many charismatic characters and stylish martial arts techniques that will keep you glued to the page!

The Breaker Vol 1-5 Omnibus Box Set contains all 5 volumes of the bestselling, critically acclaimed series, collecting them into a handsome box set compilation. Each omnibus contains two volumes, 10 volumes in all. Plus, a folded bonus poster!



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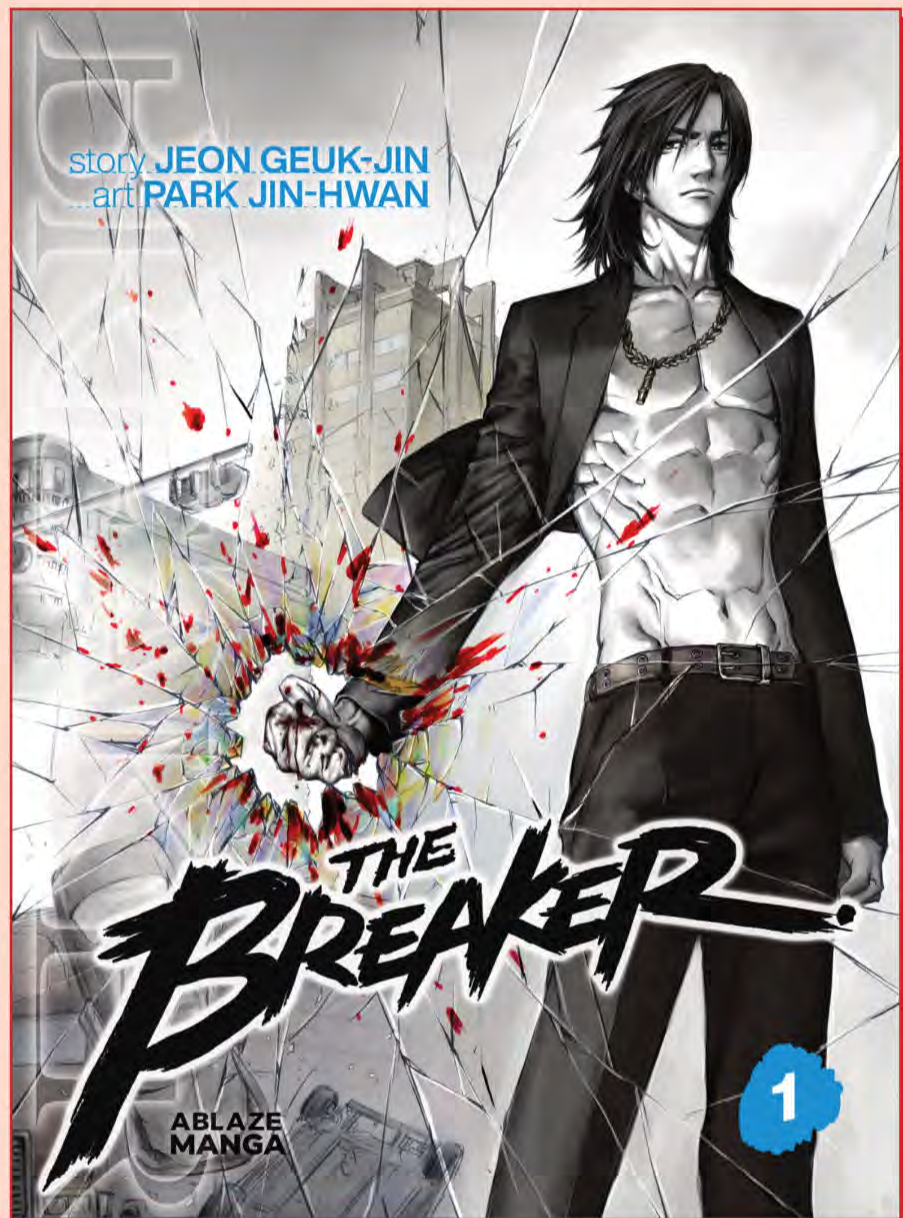
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THE BREAKER OMNIBUS VOL. 1 TP

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ARTIST/COVER: PARK JIN-HWAN



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Si-Woon Lee, a timid and bullied high school student, stumbled into becoming the disciple of Chun-Woo Han, a martial artist and adversary of the secret martial arts society known as the Murim. However, Si-Woon is naive and unaware of his master's shady past with this unseen underbelly of society. How will Chun-Woo manage to teach Shi-Woon and help him survive in the world of the Murim?

Originally published in South Korea, The Breaker has had international success in France, Germany, Italy, Spain, Russia, Turkey, Poland and more...and now ABLAZE is happy to bring the title to English language readers worldwide. Praised not only for its thrilling artwork depicting amazing martial arts action but also its gripping storyline. Ranked #4 on the 10 Best Manhwa of the Decade (according to MyAnimeList.com) The Breaker Omnibus Vol 1 is 400 pages of intense story and art!



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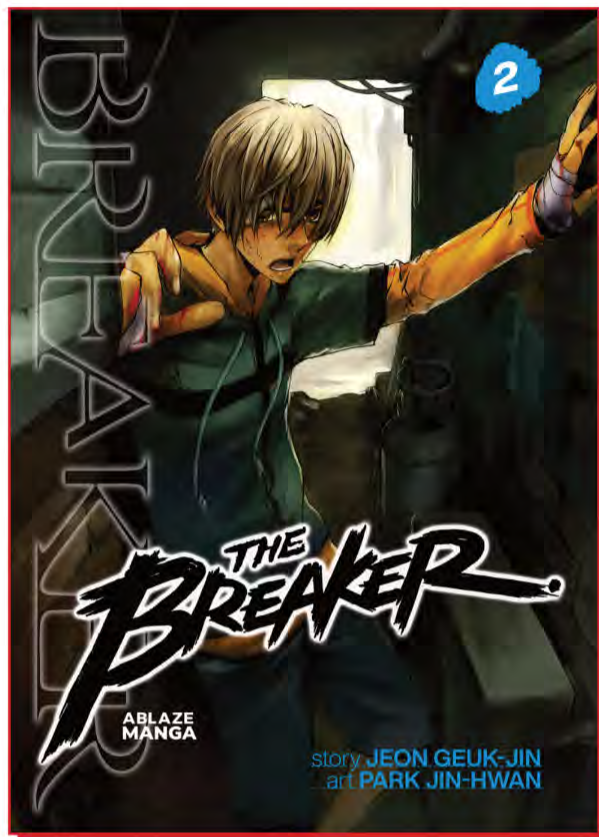
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The Bestselling Series Continues! In The Breaker Omnibus Vol 2, Chun-woo has gone missing, following his intense and deadly fight with the dreaded Gijoo. Meanwhile, Si-woon has been confronted with his inner demons ever since Si-Ho Lee administered a remedy that generates so much Qi that the high school student may well explode from within! Future invincible warrior... or time bomb? The Breaker is already a bestselling hit in South Korea and has been translated into many other languages such as French, German, Italian, Spanish and more...and now ABLAZE is happy to bring this amazing manhwa title to English readers worldwide!

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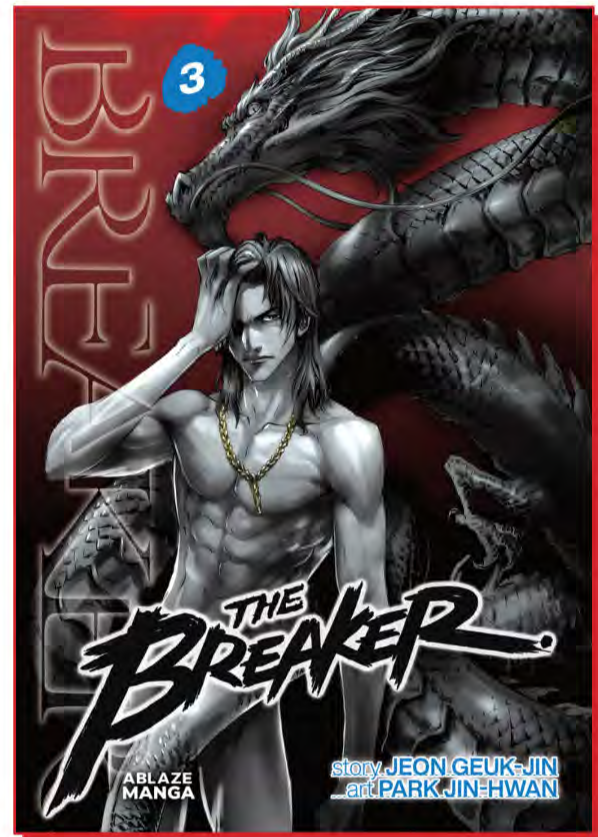
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Si-Woon comes to the rescue of his friend Sae-Hee, who has been kidnapped by school bully Chang-Ho and his gang. Will Si-Woon be able to control his strength and newly acquired powers in front of his opponents who, although violent, are merely human? Si-Woon is also unaware that at that moment, So-Chun Hyuk, heir to the Chun-Do clan, witnesses the scene and discovers the true talents of the young man...

With the arrival of So-Chun, the story enters a new, much more intense chapter, especially for young hero Si-Woon, who is now caught up in the Murim universe. A new world of dangers lies ahead, and the young high school student will have to start fighting on his own, against enemies of a different caliber! He may be entering a spiral of violence in which he may never come out. A true bestseller in South Korea and already translated into many languages, Jeon Geuk-jin and Park Jin-Hwan's fighting manhwa has been praised for its sensational action, as well as its captivating storyline, with many charismatic characters and stylish martial arts techniques that will keep you glued to the page, wanting more!

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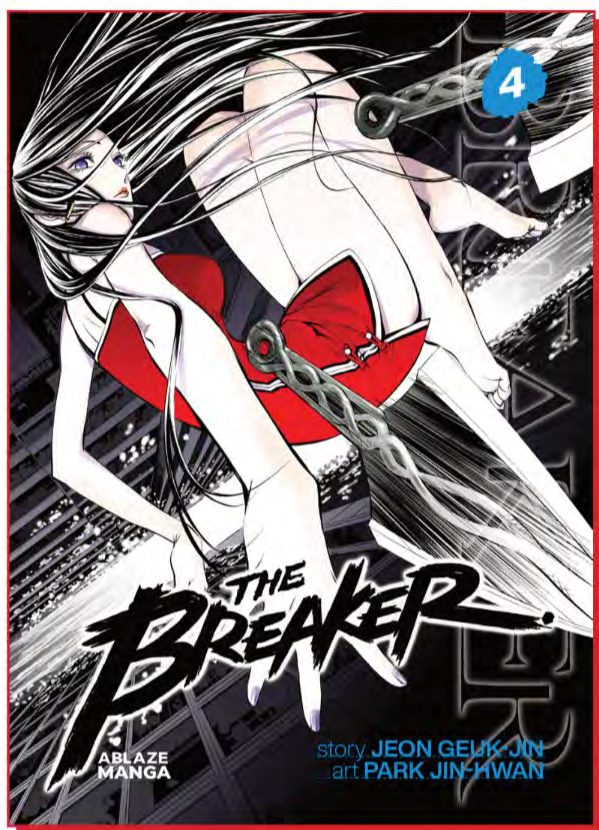
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WRITER: JEON GEUK-JIN

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Chun-Woo Han, aka Goo Moon Ryong, aka Nine-Door Dragon, must rescue his student Si-Woon from the martial arts alliance, and the only way to do so is to put his own life on the line! Taking a page from the book of his own master, Chun-Woo starts down a dangerous path for his disciple's sake. Hoping to finally bring an end to his long-lasting misfortunes, the Goo Moon Ryong willingly jumps into a trap, leading to what could be his final battle against the skilled fighters of the alliance. And while the big clash between the showy techniques of the martial arts schools and the immovable will of the Nine-Door Dragon will make alliance fighters fall like autumn leaves, Chun-Woo may not have what it takes to get past the most elite fighters of the Murim worlds and save Si-Woon!

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THE BREAKER OMNIBUS VOL. 5 TP

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All the actors are gathered. All members are present to witness the clash. Chun-woo must face the leader of the Alliance himself, number 1 of the Murim! The final battle is near. Get ready for an explosion of rage and a flurry of violence. Let the last act begin...

Jeon Geuk-jin and Park Jin-Hwan's fighting manhwa has been praised for its sensational action, as well as its captivating storyline, with many charismatic characters and stylish martial arts techniques that will keep you glued to the page! The Breaker Omnibus Vol 5 is the final installment in the bestselling, critically acclaimed series, collecting Korean vols 9-10 into one compilation. Don't miss it!

Finished with The Breaker and looking for more martial arts manhwa action? The first omnibus volume of the sequel series, The Breaker: New Waves, is also available!

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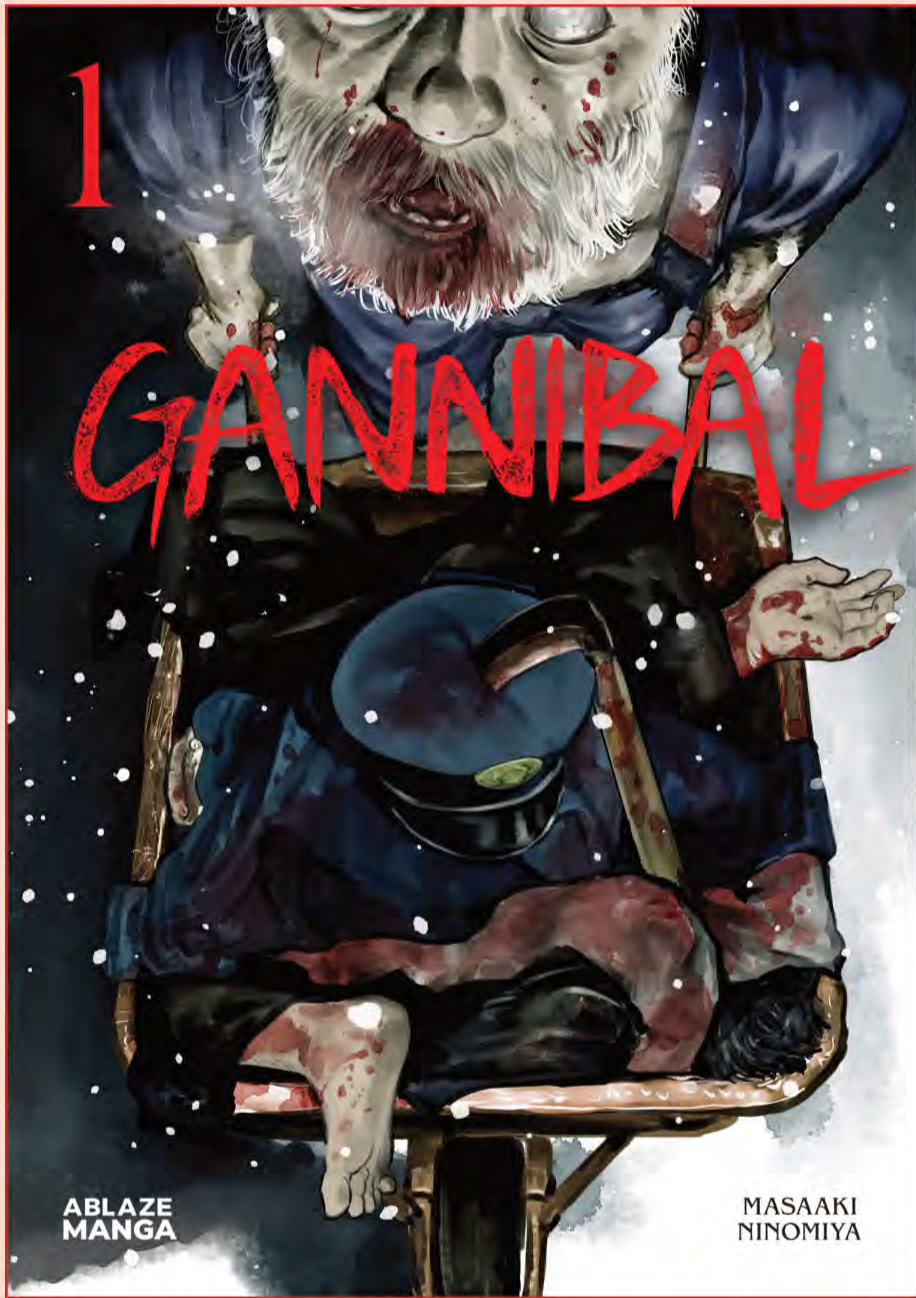


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Gannibal, the thrilling and terrifying manga horror series by Masaaki Ninomiya, on which the Hulu TV show is based, is published in English for the first time!

After the mysterious disappearance of a countryside cop, the role is reassigned to Officer Daigo Agawa. He finds the remote village quaint, and he looks forward to an easygoing post among the warm and welcoming citizenry. Then... He gets a call. The body of a local grandmother has been found.

The scene immediately sows doubt for the young policeman. A human bite mark has been left on the corpse, and any voiced suspicion of Agawa's is met with a strange, sudden, and intense hostility.

Something dark is lurking under the idyllic façade of the charming mountain village. But can Officer Agawa spare himself and his family from it?

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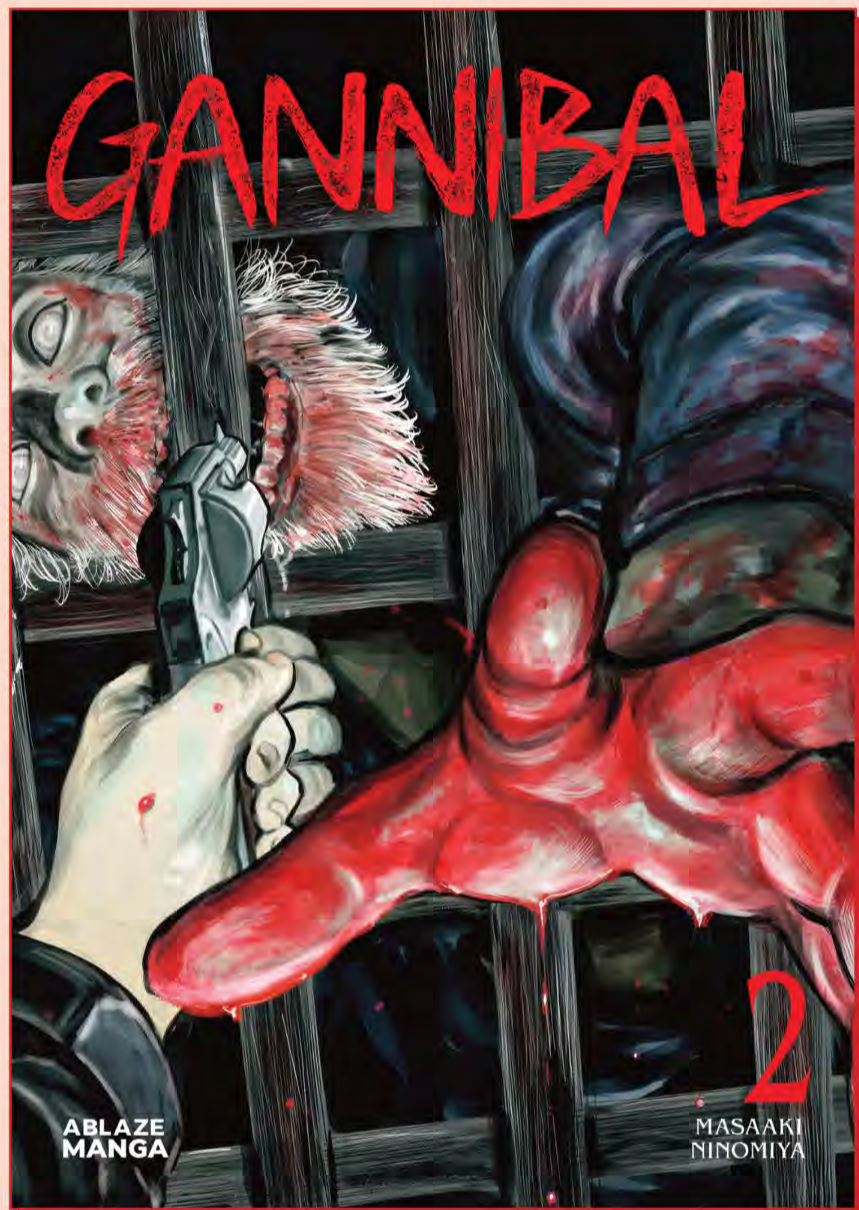
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WRITER/ARTIST/COVER: MASAAKI NINOMIYA



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Officer Daigo Agawa's gotten more than he'd bargained for out of an official assignment to the remote mountain village of Kuge. What began as a hopeful fresh start for his family has quickly turned into a nightmare. Spurred by the appearance of his disappeared predecessor's daughter, Agawa has vowed to get to the bottom of mysterious happenings within the village, all seemingly linked to the extensive and domineering Koto family.

However, the Koto family does not take Agawa's suspicions lightly, and they launch a two-pronged assault on the police officer. While Agawa confronts the Koto family on their turf, a contingent of the clan has gone to confront Agawa's wife and child in their home. What do they have planned? And can Agawa escape his own predicament in time?



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Gannibal, the thrilling and terrifying manga horror series by Masaaki Ninomiya, on which the Hulu TV show is based, is published in English for the first time!

Officer Daigo Agawa continues to delve into the mysteries of Kuge Village, now increasingly aware of its dark underbelly. While he still longs to find a new and safe life for his family, the loosening lips of the villagers cause things to take another sharp turn. One woman in particular opens up to him about the kidnapping of her young infant...



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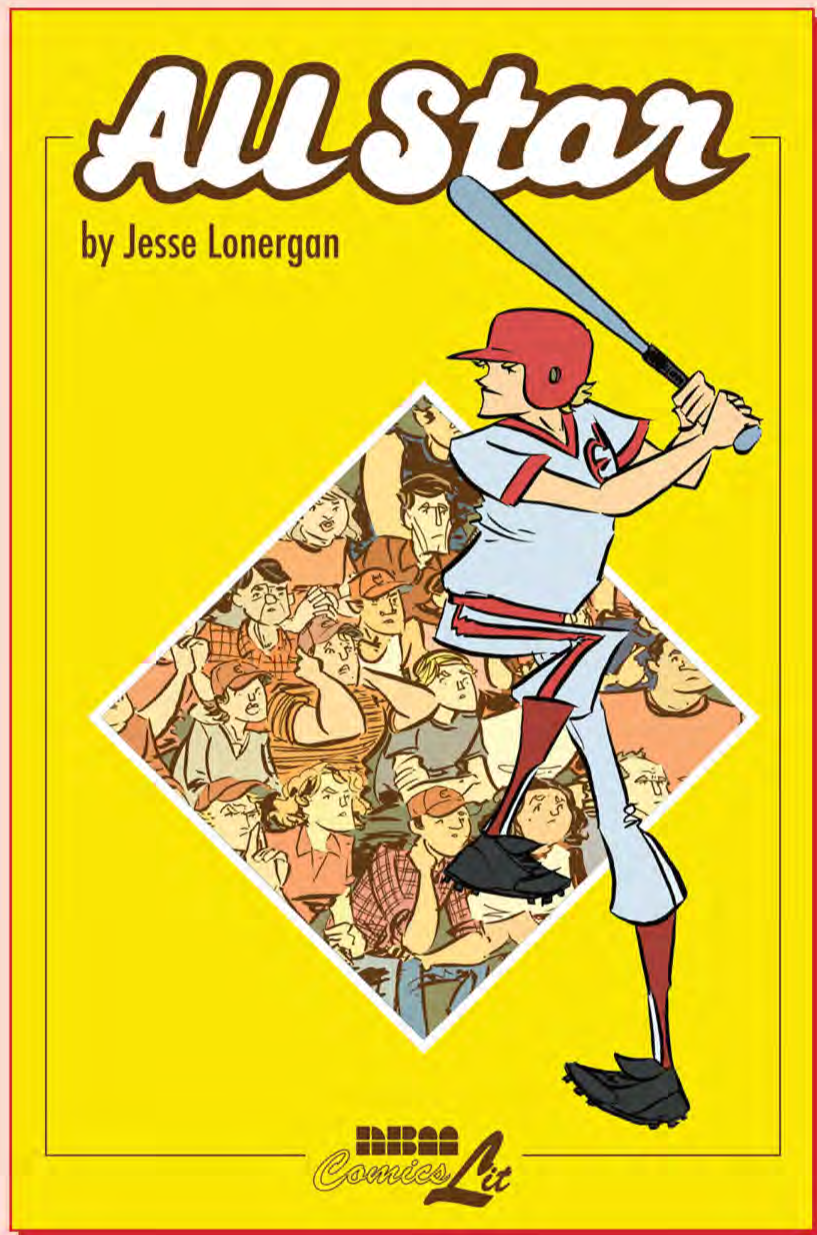
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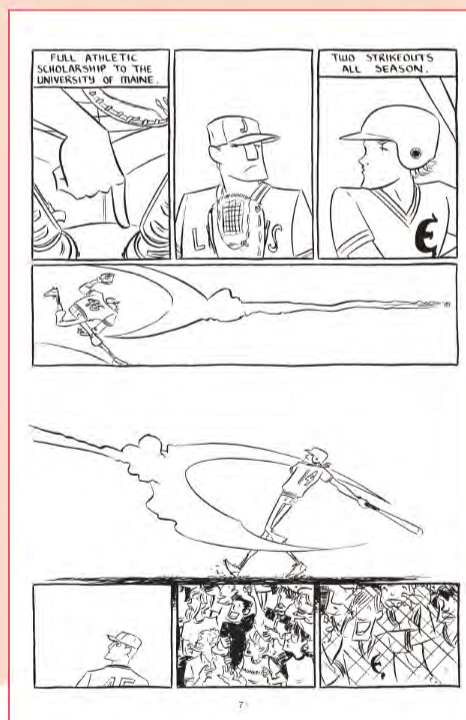
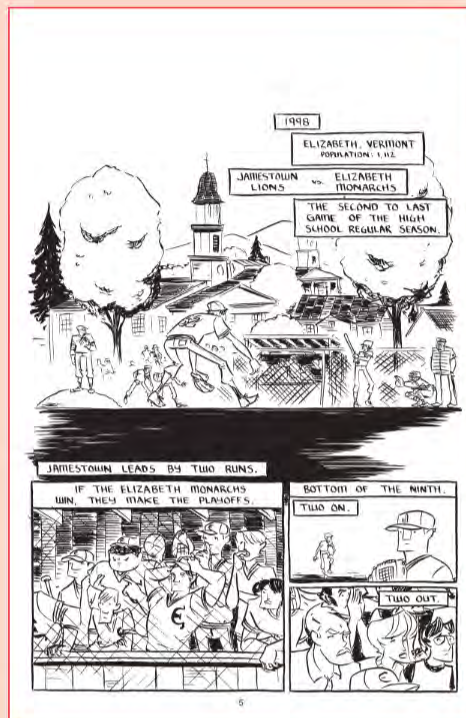
WRITER/ARTIST/COVER: JESSE LONERGAN



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From Eisner Award Winning cartoonist Jesse Longergan! Winner of the 2015 ALA Great Graphic Novels for Teens award! Nominee for 2015 YALSA “Quick Picks for Reluctant Young Adult Readers” award!

As the summer of 1998 nears, Mark McGwire and Sammy Sosa are racing each other to break the home-run record, Bill Clinton is being questioned about a certain Monica Lewinsky, Semisonic’s “Closing Time” is top of the charts, and Carl Carter is leading the Elizabeth Monarchs of rural Vermont to the state championship his senior year. The world is Carl’s oyster: a full scholarship to the University of Maine awaits, going pro after college isn’t out of the question, and he’s so good he can do whatever he wants—until, that is, he makes one very arrogant mistake. Acclaimed graphic novelist Jesse Lonergan offers readers a thought-provoking exploration of the fleeting highs of success in this engrossing book.



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Avatar Aang: The Last Airbender: The Art of the Movie

● BY ABRAMS BOOKS



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Avatar Aang: The Last Airbender: The Art of the Movie (Deluxe Edition)

● BY ABRAMS BOOKS



SPECIFICATIONS

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- * 256 pages
- * Hardcover cloth case
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The official behind-the-scenes deluxe companion to feature film **Avatar Aang: The Last Airbender: The Art of the Movie**, featuring ten vellum chapter openers that emulate animation cels (layered together you see the final art, and separately you see the work in progress), all enclosed in a premium-presentation cloth slipcase box with foil stamping.

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A NOVEL BASED ON THE ANIMATED FILM ON PARAMOUNT+

● BY ALLISON KING



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This official novelization of *Avatar Aang: The Last Airbender*, the all-new animated film on Paramount+, includes expanded scenes that delve further into Team Avatar’s efforts at rebuilding the Four Nations in the era following the Hundred Year War. Perfect for fans of the film who are hungry for more content as well as all fans of *Avatar: the Last Airbender*.

What does it mean to be the last of your kind, and what would you do to change it?

Years after saving the world, Avatar Aang and his friends are living legends. They have all followed separate paths since the Hundred Year War, and each has grown into adulthood while shaping humanity in unique ways. Though his companions look eagerly toward the future, Avatar Aang struggles to do the same. Instead, he finds himself drawn to the past, making long journeys to the abandoned Air Temples to collect what is left of his culture in a world that has already begun to move on.

When a group of violent non-benders attack the Avatar at the Southern Air Temple and steal a mysterious relic, they set in motion a race across the world for a legendary power that threatens to destabilize the fragile balance Aang worked so hard to achieve. And so Aang reassembles his team: Sokka, now an ingenious inventor helping to rebuild his home in the Southern Water Tribe; Toph, who teaches metalbending to a new generation; Zuko, whose leadership has steered the Fire Nation to an era of peace; and Katara, a leader in the young multicultural metropolis of Republic City. Together, the group traverses the globe to sites that have been abandoned for millennia, where they learn of ancient Avatars, meet powerful spirits, and uncover dangerous new abilities, one of which could grant Avatar Aang’s deepest wish: to save the Air Nomad culture from extinction.

Though his team’s collective hopes are great, Aang must confront whether his lifelong dream might become the very thing that destroys him—and the new world he has built.

Allison King is an Asian American writer and software engineer based in Cambridge, Massachusetts. In technology, her work has ranged from semiconductors to platforms for community conversations to data privacy. In addition to *The Legend of Aang: The Last Airbender*, she is the author of *The Phoenix Pencil Company*, a 2023 Reese’s Book Club pick.

THE ART OF STAR WARS

The Art of Star Wars: The Mandalorian and Grogu

● WRITTEN BY PHIL SZOSTAK, FOREWORD BY DOUG CHIANG

The official behind-the-scenes companion to *The Mandalorian and Grogu*



The Art of Star Wars: The Mandalorian and Grogu takes fans behind the scenes of the first *Star Wars* theatrical release in seven years. Directed by Jon Favreau and cowritten by Favreau and Dave Filoni, *The Mandalorian and Grogu* follows the iconic duo that has captured hearts and minds in Disney+'s standout television series *The Mandalorian* as they set off on a series of new adventures following the fall of the evil Empire.

Imperial warlords remain scattered throughout the galaxy, and as the fledgling New Republic works to protect everything the Rebellion fought for, they enlist the help of legendary Mandalorian bounty hunter Din Djarin and his young apprentice, Grogu.

Filled with concept art, sketches, and interviews with key cast, crew, and creatives, *The Art of Star Wars: The Mandalorian and Grogu* provides readers with an exclusive look at the art created for the newest *Star Wars* film and the stories behind its characters, locations, and vehicles. The film stars Pedro Pascal, Sigourney Weaver, and Jeremy Allen White.

Lucasfilm creative art manager **Phil Szostak** has worked in conjunction with *Star Wars* art departments since 2008. A graduate of the School of Visual Arts in New York, Szostak ran the JAK Films Art Department on Skywalker Ranch for more than three years before joining the narrative design team on LucasArts' *Star Wars: 1313*. He is also the author of *The Art of Star Wars: Andor* (The Complete Series), *The Art of Star Wars: The Mandalorian* (Season Two) (Abrams, 2022), *The Art of Star Wars: The Mandalorian* (Season One) (Abrams, 2020), and *The Art of Star Wars: The Rise of Skywalker* (Abrams, 2019).

SELLING POINTS

RETURN TO THEATERS: *The Mandalorian and Grogu* is the first theatrically released *Star Wars* film in nearly a decade, and anticipation for the return of the iconic Grogu and Pedro Pascal's Din Djarin is going to be a huge media moment.

CONCEPT ART PORTFOLIO: Features artwork and concept designs by fan-favorite, industry-leading artists from Industrial Light & Magic and Lucasfilm.

EVERGREEN BRAND: *Star Wars* remains one of Disney's premier multichannel, multinational, 365, consumer products juggernauts, and *The Mandalorian* franchise is the feather in Disney+'s library.

HIGH-PROFILE TALENT: Interviews with the Lucasfilm visualists, along with director/writer Jon Favreau (*Iron Man*, *The Mandalorian*) and writer Dave Filoni (*Star Wars: Clone Wars*, *Star Wars: Rebels*) will give a firsthand account of the film's production.

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- * Hardcover with jacket

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Dune Messiah Book 1

- WRITTEN BY BRIAN HERBERT AND KEVIN J. ANDERSON; ILLUSTRATED BY MICHAEL SHELFER

The first volume of the graphic–novel adaptation of *Dune Messiah*, part of the groundbreaking science–fiction series by Frank Herbert—timed to the release of the movie



In this second act of Frank Herbert's classic *Dune* saga, the story of Paul Atreides—the man christened Muad'Dib—continues. As ruler of the known universe, he lords over an empire born of prophecy, haunted by the future he alone can glimpse. Though worshipped as a religious icon, Paul faces a conspiracy unfolding within his inner circle, as well as an even greater threat that strikes at the heart of his legacy—targeting his lover, Chani, and the unborn heir to House Atreides . . .

This follow–up to the bestselling *Dune* graphic novel trilogy offers a spectacular blend of adventure, mysticism, intergalactic politics, and ecology, bringing Frank Herbert's visionary series to a new generation through its immersive graphic novel format. Like its predecessors, *Dune Messiah* again features a striking painted cover by artist Bill Sienkiewicz.

Frank Herbert (1920–86) was an American science–fiction writer best known for his novel *Dune* and its subsequent five sequels. **Brian Herbert**, the son of Frank Herbert, is best known for his collaborations with author Kevin J. Anderson, with whom he has written multiple sequels and prequels to his father's landmark 1965 novel. He lives in Seattle. **Kevin J. Anderson** is the author of more than 50 bestsellers. He has written novels for the *Star Wars*, *StarCraft*, and *The X–Files* universes and, with Brian Herbert, is the coauthor of the *Dune* prequel series. Anderson lives in Monument, Colorado. **Michael Shelfer** has been a professional cartoonist for twenty years, working with Marvel, DC, and IDW, among others. He lives with his children in the southeast United States. **Bill Sienkiewicz** is an Eisner–winning, Emmy–nominated artist who is recognized as having revamped contemporary comic and graphic novel illustration. He is based in Los Angeles.



SELLING POINTS

UPCOMING FILM

ADAPTATION: The first volume of the graphic novel adaptation of *Dune Messiah* will be released in November, just ahead of the film adaptation on December 18, 2026. A second season of HBO Max's prequel series, *Dune Prophecy*, has also been confirmed and is in production.

ICONIC COVER ART: Comics legend Bill Sienkiewicz continues his work on the series with another striking cover illustration.

POWERFUL BRAND: Frank Herbert's *Dune* has sold millions of copies and was the recipient of the first Hugo and Nebula Award, making it one of the most successful science–fiction novels of all time. The first two installments of Legendary Entertainment's live–action feature of *Dune*, directed by Denis Villeneuve (*Bladerunner 2049*) and starring Timothée Chalamet and Zendaya were released to great acclaim in 2021 and 2024.

CONTINUING SUCCESS:

Fifty–five years since its publication, *Dune* continues to sell hundreds of thousands of copies per year. This first of two volumes is timed with both a movie and a television show, making *Dune Messiah* the perfect entry point for readers looking for a digestible way to experience the phenomenon.

SPECIFICATIONS

- * Full-color illustrations throughout
- * 128 pages
- * WIDTH: 6 1/2" - mm
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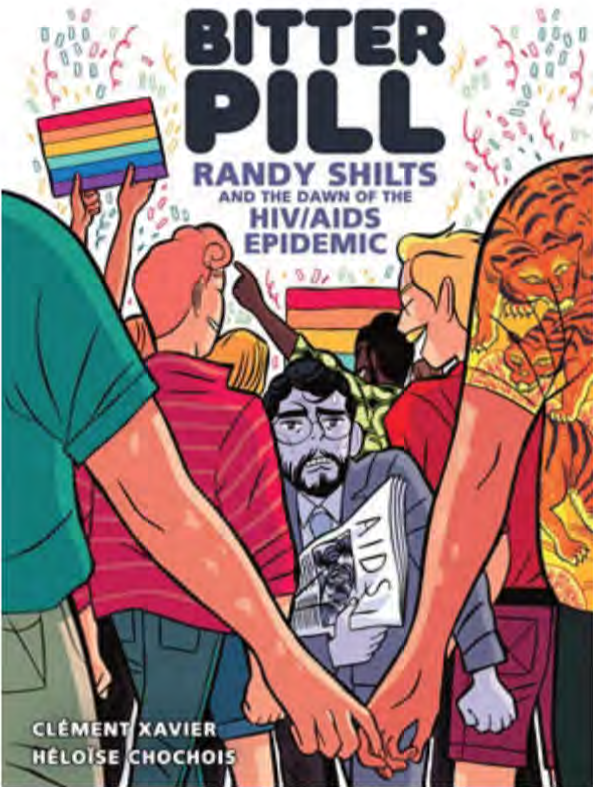
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Bitter Pill

RANDY SHILTS AND THE DAWN OF THE HIV/AIDS EPIDEMIC

● WRITTEN BY CLÉMENT XAVIER; ILLUSTRATED BY HÉLOÏSE CHOCHOIS

Pioneering reporter Randy Shilts fights to expose the truth during the earliest days of the AIDS epidemic. With hospital beds filling up, the clock is ticking. . . . What will it take to wake up the nation?



San Francisco, 1981. Drawn from true events, this graphic novel follows Randy Shilts—biographer of Harvey Milk and one of the first openly gay journalists hired by the mainstream press—as he receives a chilling call at the *Chronicle*: a Los Angeles patient is being treated for a rare and aggressive cancer.

A meeting with an infectious disease researcher confirms his worst fear: this so-called “gay cancer” is neither rare nor isolated—it’s the beginning of a national health crisis. With those in power slow to respond, Shilts resorts to bold tactics to force attention on the unfolding HIV/AIDS epidemic.

His relentless pursuit of the truth would help change history, exposing a catastrophe too many chose to ignore. In this dramatic graphic portrait inspired by the life and legacy of Randy Shilts, the creators bring to the page a story that feels both urgent and insightful.

Shilts’s groundbreaking reporting and books (*The Mayor of Castro Street*, *And the Band Played On*, *Conduct Unbecoming*) became cornerstones of journalism and LGBTQ+ history. This graphic novel offers a powerful new interpretation of the transformative moment that defined his legacy.

Featuring an afterword by Randy Shilts biographer Michael Lee, author of *When the Band Played On: The Life of Randy Shilts*.

Clément Xavier studied comics in Angoulême, France, and afterward, he cofounded Na, an award-winning publisher of comics and photo stories. He has written numerous graphic novels, with a focus on history and biographies, including *The Bodyguard Unit*, about the women’s suffrage movement in England. **Héloïse Chochois** studied the graphic arts and has dedicated much of her young career to the worlds of health and science. She started with topics ranging from transhumanism to artificial intelligence, before expanding to broader societal subjects.



SELLING POINTS

STRONG NARRATIVE: *Bitter Pill* is a dramatic graphic portrait inspired by true events, unfolding with the tension of a thriller. Blending fact and narrative reconstruction, it draws readers into the earliest days of the AIDS epidemic with urgency and emotional force.

VISUALLY STRIKING: With a bold, cohesive visual style, the artwork captures both the intimacy of personal moments and the scale of a growing public crisis. The result is a unified graphic narrative that amplifies the story’s emotional and historical weight.

BROAD COMMUNITY: The book connects with the vast readership of Shilts’ landmark work *And the Band Played On*, which remains a touchstone of AIDS journalism and LGBTQ+ history. By revisiting this pivotal moment through a graphic lens, the creators introduce Shilts’ legacy to a new generation of readers.

TIMELY PERSPECTIVE: Shilts’ fight to bring attention to an emerging health crisis resonates powerfully today. At a time when public health, journalism, and political accountability face renewed scrutiny, his story offers a compelling lens on courage, responsibility, and the cost of silence—and speaking out.

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- * Full-color illustrations throughout
- * 160 pages
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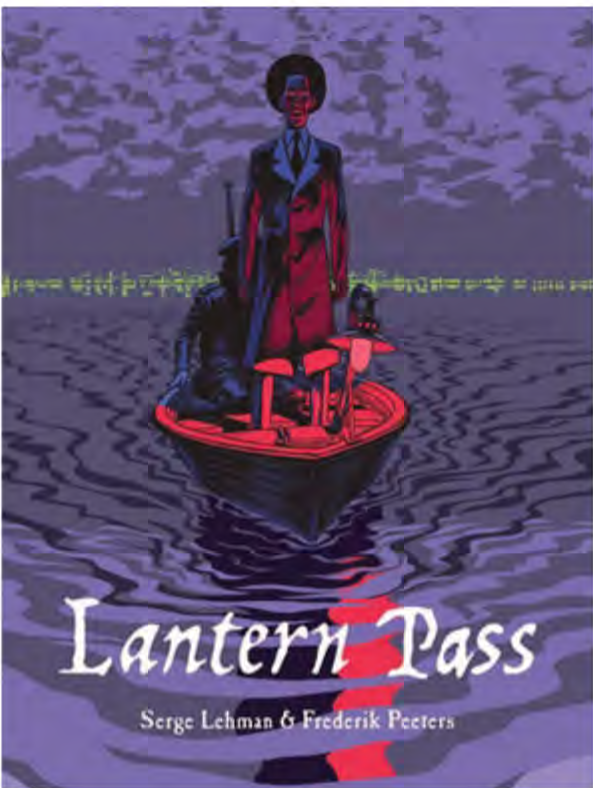
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Lantern Pass

A SUPERNATURAL ALPINE THRILLER

● WRITTEN BY SERGE LEHMAN; ILLUSTRATED BY FREDERIK PEETERS

A darkly immersive graphic novel mystery set in a small town in the Alps, for fans of *Fargo* and *Gideon Falls*



In the dead of winter, detectives Frank Sangaré and Ms. Umber arrive in Saint-Elme, a remote village in the Alps famed for its mineral water—where residents have learned to mind their own business.

The pair is investigating the disappearance of a wealthy young man who vanished three months earlier. But in Saint-Elme, power flows through the Sax clan, and the local police serve at their pleasure. Thinly veiled threats maintain the peace, and everyone knows where the lines are.

As Sangaré and Umber push forward, they see the high cost of challenging that order—but then the boundaries start to shift. Frogs have flooded the streets. People are seeing things they shouldn't. And the case pulls the detectives into something beyond the reach of money or influence.

Serge Lehman is a French novelist, comics writer, and screenwriter known for his work in science fiction and crime fiction. He helped redefine French sci-fi in the 1990s before transitioning into comics, where his work blends noir, mythology, and social history. **Frederik Peeters** is a Swiss graphic novelist who gained international recognition with *Blue Pills*, an autobiographical graphic novel. He has since worked across genres—from literary fiction to science fiction and crime—and is a frequent nominee and award winner at the Angoulême International Comics Festival.



SELLING POINTS

GRIPPING STORYTELLING: *Lantern Pass* delivers a tightly woven mystery that builds momentum from its opening pages. What begins as the search for a missing person quickly expands into a far more unsettling investigation.

AN IMMERSIVE ALPINE

SETTING: From the very first scene, the Swiss Alps are more than a backdrop—they're an active player in the story. Readers are drawn into the isolated town of Saint-Elme, as snowbound streets, looming peaks, and the surrounding wilderness shape the story's mood and direction.

A DISTINCTIVE GENRE BLEND:

Combining crime fiction, supernatural tension, and dark humor, *Lantern Pass* will appeal to fans of *Twin Peaks* and *Fargo* and readers drawn to rural noir.

A FORMIDABLE CREATIVE

DUO: Writer Serge Lehman and artist Frederik Peeters bring together complementary strengths in genre storytelling and atmospheric visual narrative with a seamless blend of sharp plotting and evocative artwork.

SPECIFICATIONS

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* 424 pages

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THE GENTLEMAN, THE CAT & THE TEAROOM#1

The Gentleman, the Cat & the Tearoom Volume 1

● BY MOLICOROSS

Meet shy gentleman Taki and his cat, Keemun. Together they brighten the day of stressed customers with lovely pastries and a warm cuppa. A delightful slice-of-life manga perfect for tea and cat lovers



In a little café slotted between city buildings, a gentleman and his cat have carved a space for themselves. Taki, the shy and softspoken owner of the establishment, runs the small café with the help of his cat, Keemun. Together they greet customers and serve the perfect pairing of tea and snack while helping visitors with whatever ails them. Usually, all it takes is a quiet chat and one of Taki's meticulously brewed cups of tea. But Keemun isn't the only reason women come into the café—a dashing older man who knows just what to serve is a treat on its own. Despite Taki's shyness, he excels at reading his customers and understanding the weariness of their lives. Winner of the 2025 Rakuten Kobo E-book Next Breakout Comic Award, this story has captured the hearts of many.

Molicoross is an award-winning author known for delightful slice of life stories. Previous work includes *Taresokare*, *Nobo-san to Kanojo?* and *Sake yo Hana Sake!*

SELLING POINTS

BELOVED FORMULA: “Cat manga” make reliable bestsellers. Notably, *A Man and His Cat* had great success by combining similar elements of a comfy cat, a handsome old man (silver fox), and relaxation.

EDUCATIONAL TEA FACTS: From short histories of tea to guides in steeping—tea leaf origins, pairings and more—learn fun, digestible factoids while relaxing! Appeal reminiscent of Insta and TikTok reels.

SIGNATURE EDITION: Kana's signature jacket, premium paper, sharp black-and-white reproduction, and a quaint matte cover.

SPECIAL MARKETS: A great book to put on the shelves of tea shops, cafés, or even cat cafés!

AWARD-WINNING: 2025's Rakuten Kobo E-book Next Breakout Comic Award.

LOVELY ART: Beautiful café interiors and gorgeously detailed tea and foods that make your mouth water, much like *Delicious in Dungeon*.

RELATABLE VIGNETTES: Women wander into the store, a revolving door of new and old customers, their appetites and their woes. These relatable women offer infectious feel-good stories.

TROPES: Cat café, silver fox/DILF, afternoon tea.

RELEASES: 4 volumes ongoing. Releases every three months.

AGE RATING: All Ages.

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How to Draw Chibi

MASTER CLASS TIPS AND TRICKS TO IMPROVE CUTE ANIME, MANGA, KEYCHAIN, AND STICKER ART

● WRITTEN AND ILLUSTRATED BY CHIHARU YUMENOUCHI

One of Japan’s most-gifted books, a professional-level guide on how to draw anime-manga in a cute “miniature” style. From a top commercial illustrator comes powerful techniques for aspiring artists!



In the simplified chibi-style where every line counts, the smallest adjustments affect the entire composition.

Building good habits from expert advice is crucial!

Illustrator Chiharu Yumenouchi hails from the industry front lines of commercial chibi art—from official merch design of the multibillion-dollar hit series *Demon Slayer* and cult bestsellers *Apothecary Diaries*, *Bungou Stray Dogs*, and *Toilet Bound Hanako-kun*, to original art exhibits, McDonalds Japan promos, *Pokémon Pocket* cosmetics, music videos, figure designs, and much more.

Packed tight with cuteness, this nifty guide teaches professional methods you wish you knew, and know-hows that bring out “tiny and adorable” charms to their fullest. Illustrated demonstrations do much of the heavy lifting so you can grasp the concepts at a glance—perfect for visual learners.

What is chibi? Chibi is a fun and accessible way to draw anime art! From media like *Hello Kitty* to *Genshin Impact*, this simple, clean style is not only approachable for beginners but also practical for established artists who want to shrink down and merchandise their art. It’s all about simplified proportions and cute expressions, perfect for creating stickers, badges, acrylic stands, and keychains!

FIND INSIDE: A variety of key techniques—from composition basics to advanced layered gradients and pose variations—even step-by-step guides for merchandising your art. Includes suggestions on character design, popular themes, costuming, and more!

Chiharu Yumenouchi is a prolific commercial illustrator known best for their merchandise design, a portfolio representing a wide array of hit series such as *Demon Slayer*, *My Hero Academia*, *Apothecary Diaries*, *Bungou Stray Dogs*, and *Haikyuu* to name a few. Beyond familiar franchises, Yumenouchi’s work is also characterized by exceptional variety, involving art exhibits, pop-up shops, film promotion bonuses, music video illustrations, collab café goods, confectionary brand tie-ins, game cosmetics, and figurine character designs. An exceptional professional artist that industry brands turn to for merchandizing their products, Yumenouchi is an incredible teacher for aspiring artists to turn to likewise for advice. Follow their social media for more in their iconic chibi and yume-kawaii (dreamy-cute) style!

SELLING POINTS

MASTER CREDENTIALS: From official merch design of *Demon Slayer* and *Apothecary Diaries*, to art exhibits, McDonalds ads, Pokémon Pocket cosmetics, music videos, and much more, an illustrator with top professional credibility and commercial impact.

CHIBI: A beloved style! Simple yet expressive cuteness make it approachable for kids and beginners, but also practical for professionals creating art that needs to shrink down to look good for merchandise—stickers, badges, acrylic stands, and keychains! A salient toolkit even for anime club mascots and custom emojis!

FOR BEGINNERS: The chibi style offers a forgiving first step—simpler anatomy, shorter drawing times, and faster progress. Surprising professional know-hows of “what I wish someone told me.”

FOR ASPIRING ARTISTS: The very simplicity of the chibi style reveals hidden depth: it requires sharper intuition and stronger design choices, precisely because there’s nowhere to hide when every, line, matters. Intermediate artists curious to spot or unlearn bad habits may recognize the rare opportunity to learn from an industry veteran.

GIFTY: Parents and gift-givers can trust that this guide offers authentic mentorship for creatives.

AGE RATING: All Ages.

SPECIFICATIONS

- * Full-color illustrations throughout
- * 184 pages
- * WIDTH: 7 1/2" - mm
- * HEIGHT: 10 1/8" - mm
- * **Paperback with flaps**

PUB MONTH: **NOVEMBER**
COMICS / MANGA, ART,
DESIGN & DECORATING
ISBN 9781419785832
US \$25.99 CAN \$35.00 UK £18.99

Chiisakobee Volume 2

● BY MINETARO MOCHIZUKI

From award-winning author who manga-adapted Wes Anderson's *Isle of Dogs* comes a quirky poetic literary drama. Meet Forrest Gump, if he were a bearded carpenter! Follow a clumsily gruff carpenter's attempt to keep his family business afloat amidst a romance with a childhood friend



After a fire burns down his family business and claims the lives of his parents, the young heir and master carpenter Shigetsugu vows to rebuild the failing venture with his late father's words in mind: "No matter how much the times change, what's important is for our kind to have compassion and dedication."

And then Ritsu, a housemaid with no relatives to rely on, comes rolling into his life with a group of children from a welfare facility who have nowhere to go, thus begins the dramatic last-ditch way-of-life story of a shaggily bearded carpenter!

This bold and ambitious reinterpretation of Shūgorō Yamamoto's classic historical novel *Chiisakobee* is brought to life with the full flourish of Minetaro Mochizuki's bohemian brush!

Minetaro Mochizuki is a prolific, celebrated manga author-illustrator known for manga titles *Dragon Head*, *Zashiki Onna*, and the manga adaptation of the Wes Anderson film *Isle of Dogs*. His works *Bataashi Kingyo*, *Dragon Head*, and *Shark Skin Man and Peach Hip Girl* have been adapted into pulp films. He received a Tezuka Osamu Cultural Prize Award for Excellence, Award for General Manga at the 21st Kodansha Manga Award, and for *Chiisakobee*, he received an Excellence Award at the 17th Japan Media Arts Festival in 2013 and the prestigious Fauve D'Angoulême: Prix de la Série at the 2017 Angoulême International Comics Festival. He cites heta-uma styles as an influence and follows the cult legacy of popular alternative-manga magazine *Garō*. Mochizuki's own distinct New Wave style has had profound influence on manga authors succeeding him. He is an avant-garde trendsetter in the manga world. **Shimizu Satomu**, better known by the pen name Shugoro Yamamoto, is a Japanese novelist and short-story writer prolific during the Showa period of Japan. Despite the Yamamoto Shugoro Prize being named after him, he modestly refused prestige in his lifetime, noting that his writing for a popular audience should not be considered literature. His works may be known for adaptation such as the Akira Kurosawa film *Sanjuro*, an adaptation of the short story *Nichinichi hei-an* (Peaceful Days), and *Dodes'ka-den*, an adaptation of the book *Kisetsu no nai machi* (The Town Without Seasons). Cult director Takashi Miike also adapted the novel *Sabu* into a film.



SELLING POINTS

AWARD-WINNING: 17th Japan Media Arts Festival Excellence Award (2013) and prestigious Fauve D'Angoulême – Prix de la Série, Angoulême International Comics Festival (2017).

DECORATED AUTHOR: Minetaro Mochizuki received the Award for Excellence, 4th Tezuka Osamu Cultural Prize, and 21st Kodansha Manga Award. Further, a recipient of the American Manga Award of Distinction (2025).

LITERARY ADAPTATION: Of a novel by Yamamoto Shugoro, celebrated author behind Kurosawa's *Sanjuro* and namesake of a literary prize. Perfect for East Asian libraries and book clubs.

FOR FANS OF WES ANDERSON: Minetaro penned the manga adaptation of *Isle of Dogs*.

Chiisakobee is a stylish manga of equal bohemian taste.

ENDEARING ART: Human and endearing, characters burst forth—see that cute, shriveled frown? Zany yet adorable art.

UNORTHODOX STYLE: Reminiscent of legendary film director Ozu Yasujiro; relish a New Wave manga from an avant-garde tastemaker!

HEARTFELT STORY: Of overcoming grief and adversity.

TROPES: Found family, childhood friends to lovers, parenting.

SERIES LENGTH: 4 volumes total.

AGE RATING: Teen 13+.

SPECIFICATIONS

* Black-and-white illustrations throughout

* 216 pages

* WIDTH: 5 7/8" - mm

* HEIGHT: 8 1/4" - mm

* **Paperback with Jacket**

PUB MONTH: **NOVEMBER**

COMICS / MANGA

ISBN 9781419786297

US \$17.99 CAN \$24.99

Hip to Be Squares

100 VIDEO CONFERENCE GAMES FOR CORPORATE TEAM BUILDING AND VIRTUAL HANGOUTS

● WRITTEN BY BRAD BERGER

Bring your long-distance family, friends, and teams together with 100 games that make every video call feel like a party



Nothing ruins game night more than everyone living in different cities, but distance shouldn't stop the fun when you have video calls. Are you hip to be squares?

With 100 games invented specifically for video communication, you can connect with your remote family, friends, coworkers, classmates, students, pen pals, and even blind dates for hours of laugh-out-loud fun that requires virtually nothing more than pens, paper, and the Internet. Every game will unleash each player's personality, creativity, likes, dislikes, dreams, stories, and more!

Better than introductions and awkward silences, *Hip to Be Squares* is a surefire way to keep your video calls interesting. It has sections for ice breaker, team building, mind reading, bluffing, puzzler, memory, and strategy games that will reveal fun surprises about the players and spark new connections.

Packed with expert tips from Chief Entertainment Officer Brad Berger, this travel-friendly game book keeps people laughing, sharing, and staying close no matter where they are. Until now, video conferencing has never been so fun!

Brad Berger has been inventing and playing games for most of his life. He has spent thousands of hours bringing people together all with one goal in mind—to have fun. Berger grew up in Great Neck, New York. He attended the University of Colorado and spent many years studying all over Europe, earning degrees in French, Italian, and German. He is the president of a 145-year-old publishing company and also runs his own consulting business where companies bring him on as their chief entertainment officer for corporate team building. Berger has enjoyed bringing people together including his own family and friends for fun and engaging games that unleash the personalities, creativity, interests, dreams, and fun stories of all participants.

SELLING POINTS

CONNECT THROUGH GAMES:
Packed with memory, gambling, bluffing, speed, and puzzler games that are perfect for all ages, this book invites families, friends, coworkers, and even strangers to get to know each other better.

LONG-DISTANCE ACTIVITIES:
Unlike traditional games, *Hip to Be Squares* is tailored specifically for the modern world of video communication, perfect for people living and working apart in remote locations.

HIGHLY ENDORSED AUTHOR:
Brad Berger, a consultant for corporate team building endorsed by well-known names like J. J. Abrams, has spent thousands of hours bringing people together through the games in this book and the video squares on their screens.

SPECIFICATIONS

* Foil, embossing
* 388 pages
* WIDTH: 6" - mm
* HEIGHT: 8" - mm
* **HC-Flexibound**
PUB MONTH: **NOVEMBER**

ISBN 9798893961867
US \$21.99 UK £15.99

Chagall

PAINTER OF POETRY

● BY SIMON ELLIOTT

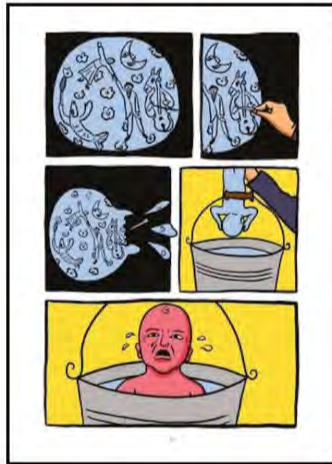
“Poet, dreamer, and exotic apparition . . .”—this is a graphic novel about the colorful life of modernist pioneer Marc Chagall



The artist Marc Chagall (1887–1985) once described painting as “a window through which I could fly into another world”—which is just what he did. He grew up Jewish in the so-called Pale of Settlement (now Belarus) in the Russian Empire, relocating to Paris in 1910, at the height of the belle époque, and then served an uncomfortable time as an art commissar in Bolshevik Russia. He would spend his long lifetime outrunning and outliving a succession of oppressive regimes (Tsarist, Soviet, Fascist, Nazi) as numerous as the art movements he absorbed (surrealist, fauvist, symbolist, modernist) and the range of media he both liberated and illuminated. In his ceramics, stained glass, tapestry—above all, in his paintings—Chagall brought the freedom of his “colors of love” to a stark world that is too often too dark.

Acclaimed for his graphic biographies of Hockney (2023), Van Gogh (2024), and Kusama (2025), Simon Elliott returns with a triumphant portrait of perhaps the greatest colorist (and therefore optimist) of them all.

Simon Elliott is a criminal barrister, art obsessive, and lover of all things colorful. Inspired by Hockney’s message in 2021 that “spring cannot be cancelled,” Elliott put his lockdown to good use by engrossing himself in all things Hockney, learning how to paint on an iPad, and creating his first graphic novel, *Hockney: A Graphic Life* (Frances Lincoln, 2023), which was published with Hockney’s blessing. His other works include *Vincent: A Graphic Biography* (Frances Lincoln, 2024), and *Kusama: Polka Dot Queen* (SelfMadeHero, 2025).



SELLING POINTS

BEYOND THE PALE: A journey through Russia and its revolution to France and its occupation, and even further beyond.

COLORS OF LOVE: Chagall’s artistic style harnessed to tell a truly vibrant life story.

WIDELY EXHIBITED ARTIST: Chagall is never out of the spotlight, with exhibitions regularly showing his work in major galleries.

SPECIFICATIONS

- * Over 200 color illustration
- * 240 pages
- * WIDTH: 6¾" - 170mm
- * HEIGHT: 9½" - 240mm
- * Hardcover

PUB MONTH: NOVEMBER

ISBN 9781914224508

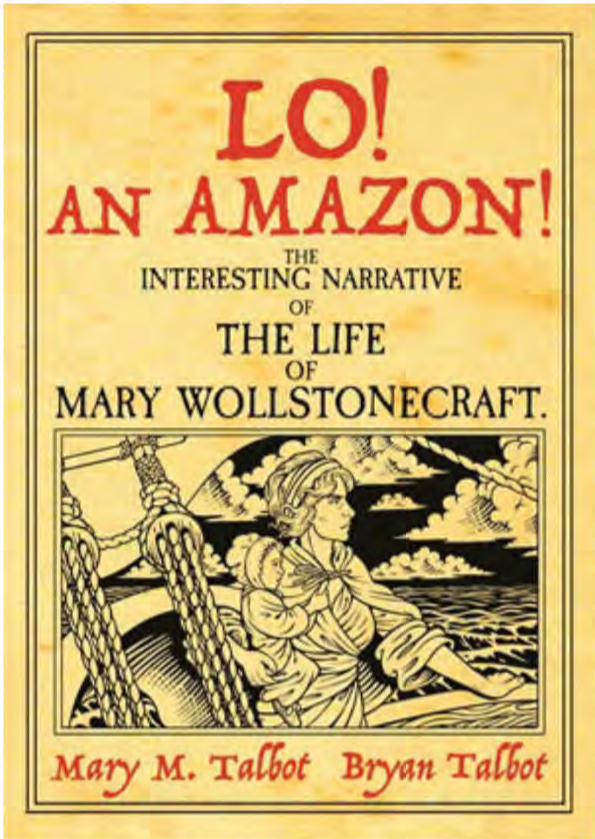
US \$26.00 CAN \$35.00

Lo! An Amazon!

THE INTERESTING NARRATIVE OF THE LIFE OF MARY WOLLSTONECRAFT

● BY MARY M. TALBOT AND BRYAN TALBOT

A graphic novel from the award-winning creative duo Mary M. Talbot and Bryan Talbot about Mary Wollstonecraft, foundational feminist philosopher and author



"It is time to effect a revolution in female manners—time to restore to them their dignity."

In the Age of Revolutions, with many movements springing up to demand greater liberties for mankind, Mary Wollstonecraft spoke out for the other "one-half of the human race": that of womankind.

Over 20 years before her daughter, Mary Shelly, created the science-fiction genre with *Frankenstein*, Wollstonecraft's 1792 manifesto, *Vindication of the Rights of Woman*, took the world by storm. Fortright and fearless, she mingled with other radical thinkers of her time and traveled widely. In the same year she published her magnum opus, she even ventured alone to Paris during the Reign of Terror.

This graphic biography of the then-controversial and now-legendary Wollstonecraft comes from the creative partnership of Mary M. Talbot and Bryan Talbot, the award-winning duo behind *Dotter of Her Father's Eyes*, *Sally Heathcote: Suffragette*, and *Armed with Madness*.

Mary M. Talbot is an academic turned graphic novelist. Her first graphic novel, *Dotter of Her Father's Eyes* (with Bryan Talbot), won the 2012 Costa Biography Award. Her most recent, *Rain* (2019, with Bryan Talbot), is a rallying cry to protect the planet. Her previous graphic novels are *Sally Heathcote, Suffragette* (2014, with Kate Charlesworth and Bryan Talbot) and *The Red Virgin* (2016, with Bryan Talbot). Her most recent academic book is *Language and Gender* (3rd ed, 2019). She is currently visiting professor of graphic narrative at Lancaster University. Multiple award-winning artist **Bryan Talbot** has been working in comics for over 40 years. He's produced underground, fantasy, and superhero stories such as *Batman* and *Sandman*, and graphic novels including *The Adventures of Luther Arkwright*, *The Tale of One Bad Rat*, *Alice in Sunderland*, the *Grandville* series, as well as illustrating the books written by Mary. They are both founding patrons of the Lakes International Comic Art Festival. Bryan was awarded a doctorate in arts and another in letters and is a Fellow of the Royal Society of Literature. In 2024, he was inducted into the prestigious Will Eisner Comic Industry Hall of Fame.

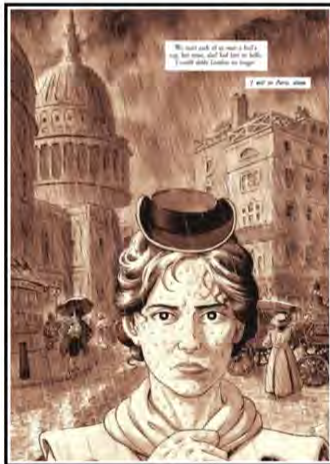
SELFMADEHERO

SELLING POINTS

ACCLAIMED AND REVEILED: See Mary Wollstonecraft swim against the tides of public opinion—in both life and death.
REVOLUTIONARY AMIDST REVOLUTIONS: A champion of women's rights surrounded by male thinkers and male violence.
LITERARY LEGACIES: Not just the mother of the mother of sci-fi; this is the Wollstonecraft who was hotly debated by her contemporaries, referenced by Jane Austen, and ultimately embraced by feminist scholars.

SPECIFICATIONS

- * 144 color illustrations
- * 152 pages
- * WIDTH: 6" - 152.4mmmm
- * HEIGHT: 8 1/2" - 215.9mm
- * Hardcover
- PUB MONTH: NOVEMBER
- ISBN 9781914224492
- US \$24.99 CAN \$34.00



LITTLE STICKER BOOKS

Bon Appetit!

A LITTLE STICKER BOOK

- COMPILED BY SKITTLED OG

A mouthwatering sticker collection on a culinary theme, with vintage graphics from tins, jars and bottles



Filled with eye-catching vintage discoveries, this colorful little collection of international food labels is perfect for anyone eager to find new material for their junk journal. Anyone who loves the design of everyday things will enjoy these early to mid 20th century designs – vibrant, nostalgic, and authentic – so this collection of over 100 stickers makes a great gift or impulse purchase.

In love with expressive and exciting visuals, the **Skittledog** team are dedicated to making delightful and surprising books for creative people.

SELLING POINTS

PERFECT FOR JUNK

JOURNALER: Ideal for those who love food labels for their bright graphics and cheerful associations.

LONG LOST IMAGERY: Includes many surprising and nostalgic rediscoveries.

DESIRABLE PACKAGE:

Textured cover, high quality stickers and precision die-cuts

ARTISTS NOT ALGORITHMS:

Skittledog sticker books celebrate the brilliant work of human artists – no image in this collection has been AI-generated.

SPECIFICATIONS

- * 120
- * 40 pages
- * WIDTH: 4 3/8" - 111mm
- * HEIGHT: 6 1/8" - 156mm
- * **Paperback**

PUB MONTH: **NOVEMBER**

ISBN 9781837761456

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LITTLE STICKER BOOKS

Artist's Studio

A LITTLE STICKER BOOK

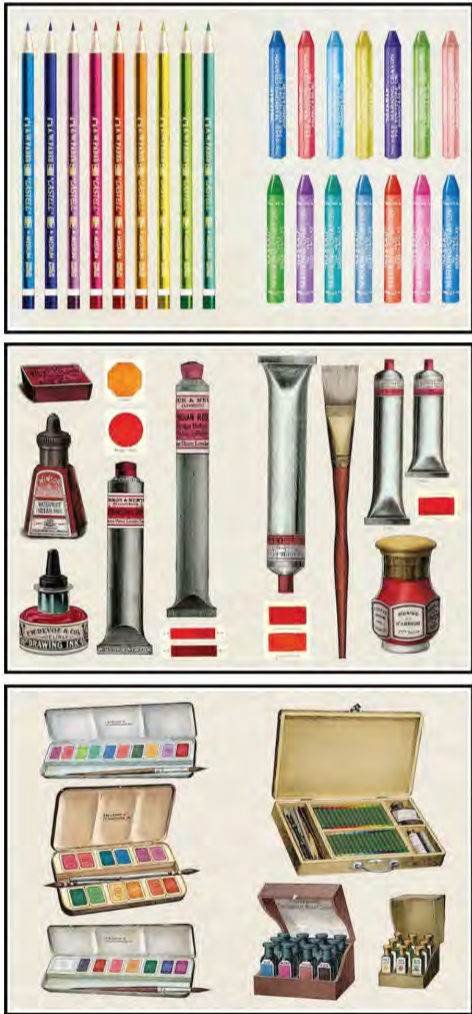
● COMPILED BY SKITTLEDOG

Discover palettes, paints, brushes, and more, in this vibrant collection of over 100 stickers for all art lovers and creative journalers.



Featuring original illustrations of art materials, matched with joyful color-themed ephemera, these stickers will brighten your journals, diaries and sketchbooks! Rediscovered in original catalogues of art supplies, these vintage images have been given a new lease of life, and are a creative and artistic delight.

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SELLING POINTS

FOR THE ARTISTICALLY INCLINED: These stickers will appeal equally to painters and gallery visitors – art lovers of any kind will enjoy them!

CREATIVE NOSTALGIA: Vintage graphics of art supplies recall the age of the impressionists.

TRENDING PASTIME: Perfect for junk journalers and creative hobbyists.

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- * Paperback
- PUB MONTH: **NOVEMBER**
- ISBN **9781837761470**
- US \$9.99 CAN \$12.99

LITTLE STICKER BOOKS

Japanese Flowers

A LITTLE STICKER BOOK

● COMPILED BY SKITTLED OG

Elegant, graphic and colorful, these stickers celebrate the art of vintage Japanese floral woodblocks: chrysanthemums, peonies, cherry blossoms and more



A floral sticker book like no other! This irresistibly giftable little collection celebrates the art of Japanese flowers, with over 80 stickers in diverse styles. These classic flower prints, from beloved artists like Hokusai and Hiroshige, take on a new life in miniature form – and make a great gift for anyone who loves flowers, or the elegant art of Japanese ukiyo–e woodblock printing.

In love with expressive and exciting visuals, the **Skittledog** team are dedicated to making delightful and surprising books for creative people.



SELLING POINTS

A NEW WAY TO ENJOY UKIYO–E: Classic florals by Hiroshige, Hokusai and Utamaro spring to life in these vibrant sticker designs

JAPANESE THEME: With proven appeal to anyone who loves stationery, paper goods, or journal keeping.

A FRESH TAKE ON A POPULAR TOPIC: Floral collections are among the best–selling sticker books, but many are cliché and schmaltzy. These are classy and graphic.

ARTISTS NOT ALGORITHMS: Skittledog sticker books celebrate the brilliant work of human artists – no image in this collection has been AI–generated.

SPECIFICATIONS

- * 120
- * 40 pages
- * WIDTH: 4 3/8" - 111mm
- * HEIGHT: 6 1/8" - 156mm
- * **Paperback**
- PUB MONTH: **NOVEMBER**
- ISBN 9781837761463**
- US \$9.99 CAN \$12.99

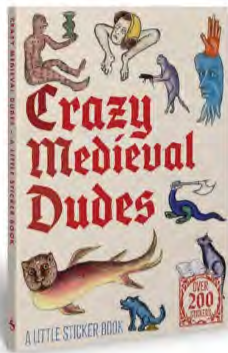
LITTLE STICKER BOOKS

Crazy Medieval Dudes

A LITTLE STICKER BOOK

● COMPILED BY SKITTLEDOG

Silly, surprising, and surreal, these medieval people and animals will bring some historical humour to your notebooks and journals.



Get stuck in to this irreverent collection of illuminations from the pens of bored yet imaginative medieval scribes! You'll find strange fish people, surprised owls, mysterious monsters, and bizarre cats – all guaranteed to raise a smile as you stick them into your journal, notebook, or scrapbook.

In love with expressive and exciting visuals, the **Skittledog** team are dedicated to making delightful and surprising books for creative people.



SELLING POINTS

PERFECT FOR JUNK

JOURNALERS: Something different and surprising!

HISTORICAL APPEAL:

Inventively surreal illuminations conjure up a long-lost way of life.

DESIRABLE GIFT:

Textured cover, high quality stickers and precision die-cuts.

ARTISTS NOT ALGORITHMS:

Skittledog sticker books celebrate the brilliant work of human artists – no image in this collection has been AI-generated.

SPECIFICATIONS

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- * 40 pages
- * WIDTH: 4 3/8" - 111mm
- * HEIGHT: 6 1/8" - 156mm
- * **Paperback**

PUB MONTH: **NOVEMBER**

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US \$9.99 CAN \$12.99

DIARY OF A WIMPY KID

The Last Straw (Special Disney+ Cover Collector's Edition) (Diary of a Wimpy Kid #3)

● BY JEFF KINNEY

SELLING POINTS

SPECIFICATIONS

- * 224 pages
- * WIDTH: 5 1/2" - 140mm
- * HEIGHT: 8" - 203mm
- * Hardcover
- PUB MONTH: **NOVEMBER**
- AGES 8 to 12
- MIDDLE-GRADE FICTION, COMICS
- ISBN 9781419794841
- US \$17.99 CAN \$22.99



Relive your favorite Wimpy Kid moments from *The Last Straw* with this deluxe collector's edition of the #1 bestselling classic. Also included are bonus merit badge stickers—perfect for your locker or notebooks!

Let's face it: Greg Heffley will never change his wimpy ways. But just try telling that to his father. When Frank Heffley decides to send his aimless middle-school son to a military academy, Greg realizes he'd better shape up—and quick. But it's not easy for Greg to transform himself overnight, so he plots to avoid being sent to a place he knows he'll never survive.

The full-color, 3D animated movie *Diary of a Wimpy Kid: The Last Straw* is available on Disney+. Now you can revisit Jeff Kinney's comedy classic with this deluxe special edition complete with bonus merit badge stickers. So dive in and hop on board for *The Last Straw*—because this time, Greg just might be in over his head for good.

Jeff Kinney is an online game developer and designer, and a #1 *New York Times* bestselling author. Jeff was named one of *Time* magazine's 100 Most Influential People in the World. He spent his childhood in the Washington, D.C., area and moved to New England in 1995. Jeff lives in southern Massachusetts with his wife and their two sons.

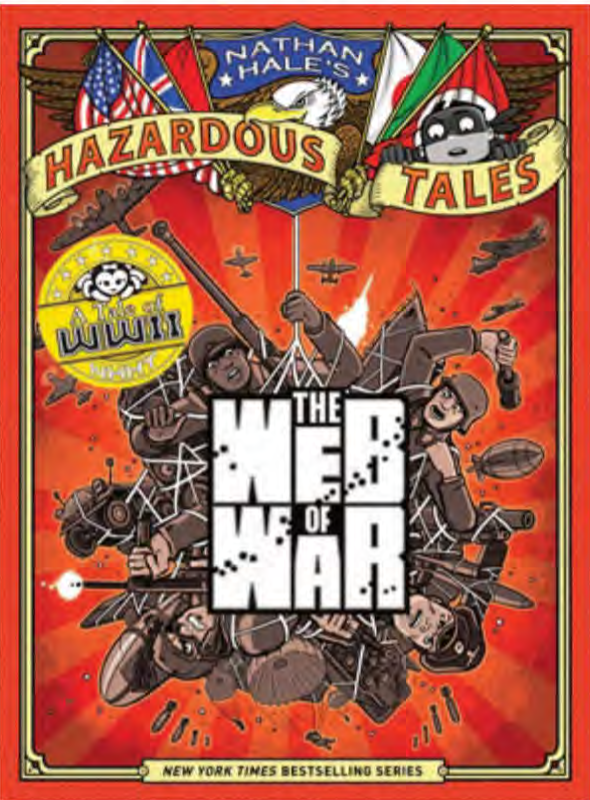
NATHAN HALE'S HAZARDOUS TALES#14

The Web of War (Nathan Hale's Hazardous Tales #14)

A WORLD WAR II TALE

● BY NATHAN HALE

Learn about one of the most pivotal battles in World War II in the newest installment of author–illustrator Nathan Hale’s *New York Times* bestselling *Nathan Hale’s Hazardous Tales* series



In the summer of 1944, the Allied forces carried out the largest seaborn invasion in military history. American, British, and Canadian soldiers took to the skies and the sand, bombarding the beaches of Normandy, France in the infamous operation known as D–Day.

This pivotal battle turned the tides against the Nazis, but how did the French find themselves overtaken by enemy forces to begin with? How did Hitler and his Nazi ideology sweep through Germany so quickly? And how did American military service members and civilians, from generals, to war correspondents, to heroic Black soldiers, work together to defeat the Nazi government and bring an end to Hitler’s reign of terror?

In *The Web of War*, history is in your hands! Pick your path and unravel the thrilling, shocking, gruesome, and TRUE stories of the second World War in this all–new hazardous tale.



Nathan Hale is the #1 *New York Times* bestselling author and illustrator of the *Nathan Hale’s Hazardous Tales* series. He also wrote and illustrated the graphic novels *One Trick Pony*, *Apocalypse Taco*, and *The Mighty Bite* series. Hale lives in Utah, and you can find him online.

SELLING POINTS

BESTSELLING SERIES: Across the series, we have sold more than two million copies, and momentum shows no signs of slowing down.

KID–FRIENDLY: The stories are equally gruesome and hilarious, and the format and art are welcoming for reluctant readers.

GREAT STORIES: Nathan Hale has found the most fascinating true facts from American history, and these books transform textbook lessons into wild romps through America’s past.

WORLD WAR II: Hale returns to the events of World War II, a topic all kids learn about in school, with his 14th *Hazardous Tale*. Hale’s previous book about World War II, *Raid of No Return*, sold over 200,000 copies across formats, and fans will be excited to see him return to this period of history.

SPECIFICATIONS

- * Full-color illustrations throughout
- * 128 pages
- * WIDTH: 5 1/2" - mm
- * HEIGHT: 7 1/2" - mm

* **Hardcover POB**

PUB MONTH: **NOVEMBER**

AGES 8 to 12

KIDS GRAPHIC NOVELS

ISBN 9781419773211

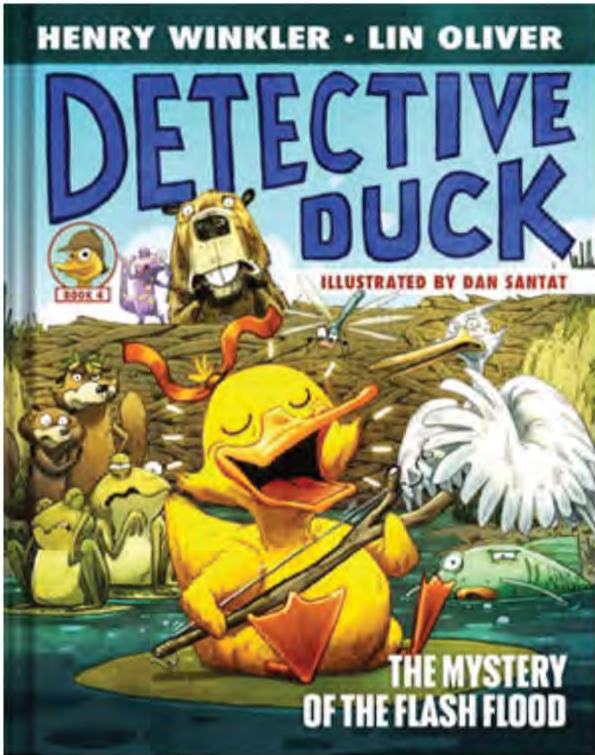
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DETECTIVE DUCK

Detective Duck: The Mystery of the Flash Flood (Detective Duck #4)

● WRITTEN BY HENRY WINKLER AND LIN OLIVER, ILLUSTRATED BY DAN SANTAT

From *New York Times* bestselling creators—Emmy Award-winning actor Henry Winkler, children’s book author Lin Oliver, and Caldecott Medal-winning author-illustrator Dan Santat—comes a hysterical, full-color chapter-book adventure

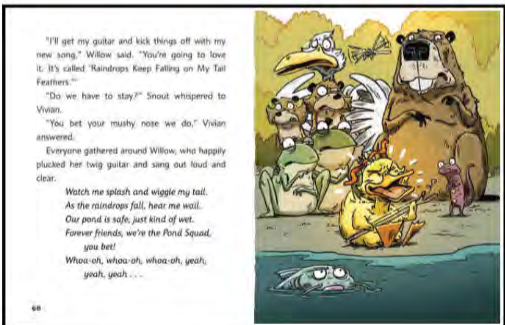
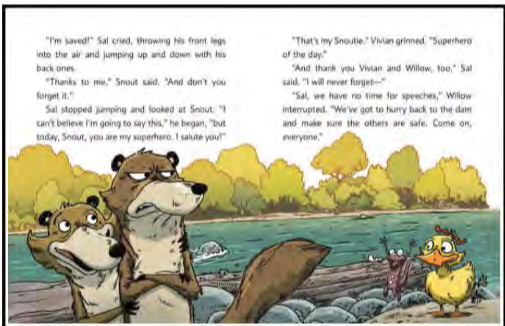


Willow Feathers McBeaver is ready to live out her rock star dreams . . . but her singing voice has her fellow Dogwood Pond residents swimming for the hills. Willow needs a *lot* of practice, so Beaver McBeaver offers to build her a soundproof studio in their dam. Beaver has been building dams his whole life, so this construction project should be no problem.

But when someone punctures a hole in the dam, the McBeaver home—and all of Dogwood Pond—is put in danger. With a massive rainstorm brewing, it will be up to Detective Duck and her Pond Squad to solve the mystery of the hazardous hole and patch the dam before the storm floods their beloved community.



Henry Winkler is an Emmy Award-winning actor, writer, director, and producer who has created some of the most iconic TV roles, including Arthur “the Fonz” Fonzarelli on *Happy Days* and Gene Cousineau on *Barry*. **Lin Oliver** is a children’s book writer and a writer and producer for both TV and film. She is the cofounder of the Society of Children’s Books Writers and Illustrators (SCBWI) and is the managing director of the SCBWI Impact and Legacy Fund. Oliver and Winkler have written 39 children’s novels together. **Dan Santat** is the *New York Times* bestselling author of more than 100 books for children, including *A First Time for Everything*, winner of the National Book Award, and *The Adventures of Beekle: The Unimaginary Friend*, for which he won the Caldecott Medal. He lives in Southern California with his wife, two kids, and many, many pets.



SELLING POINTS

NEW YORK TIMES

BESTSELLING SERIES:

Detective Duck and the Strange Splash and *Detective Duck: The Case of the Missing Tadpole* are both *New York Times* bestsellers, and the series has sold over 65,000 copies, with no signs of slowing down.

SUPERSTAR TEAM:

Henry Winkler and Lin Oliver's *Alien Superstar* was an instant *New York Times* bestseller, and Dan Santat is the winner of the Caldecott Medal and the National Book Award for Young People's Literature.

CHARMING READ: With hilarious text and full-color illustrations throughout, this new chapter-book series is perfect for fans of *Princess in Black* or *Mercy Watson*.

ENVIRONMENTAL HOOK: Each mystery includes a light environmental message and discusses the impact that humans are having on the environment and the animals who call it home.

SPECIFICATIONS

* Full-color illustrations throughout
* 80 pages

* WIDTH: 6 1/2" - mm

* HEIGHT: 8 1/4" - mm

* Hardcover POB

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AGES 6 to 9

CHAPTER BOOK

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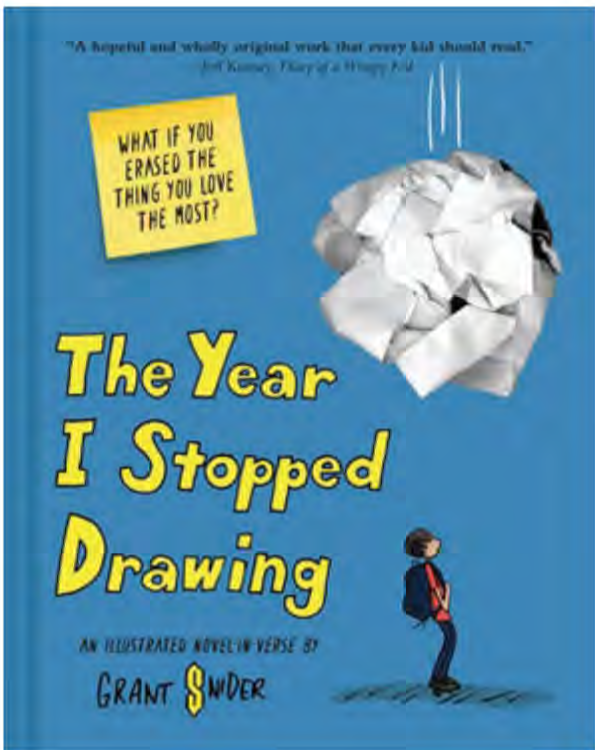
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The Year I Stopped Drawing

AN ILLUSTRATED NOVEL-IN-VERSE

● WRITTEN AND ILLUSTRATED BY GRANT SNIDER

From nationally bestselling author and artist Grant Snider comes a moving and inventive middle-grade illustrated novel in verse about overcoming perfectionism and discovering who you are



Praise for *The Year I Stopped Drawing*
"The Year I Stopped Drawing is a beautifully written, designed, and illustrated story! Grant Snider's poetry sings and captivated my heart on every page! I couldn't put it down! Buy it. Read it. Share it!" —John Schu, librarian and *New York Times* best-selling author of *Louder Than Hunger*

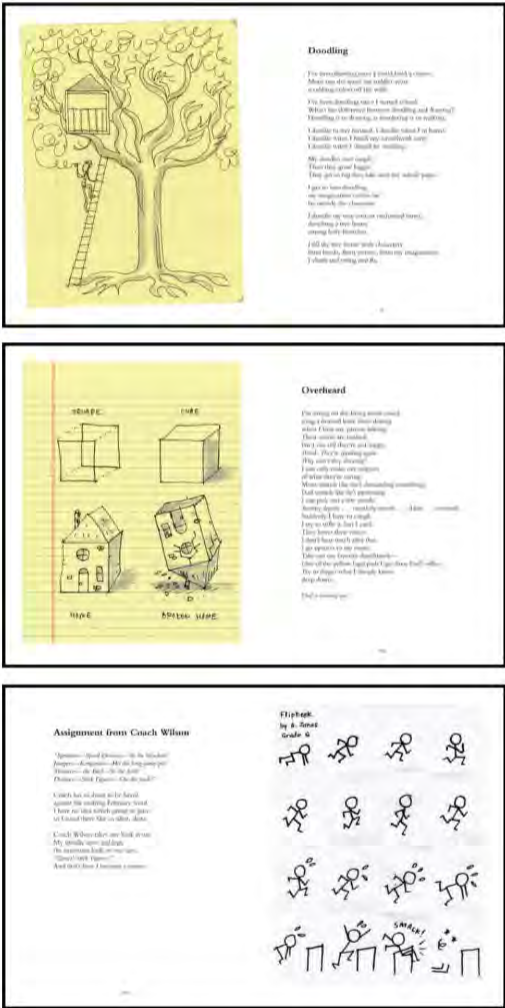
Adam has always been the kid who could draw. Art is how he expresses himself and finds confidence and control. But this year, everything feels off. His parents are fighting, a bully is picking on him, and there's a new better artist in school. As Adam's world turns upside down, he can feel his love of drawing slipping away. But who is Adam without art? On one particularly bad day, Adam ends up in the guidance counselor's office with an assignment: try something new, even if you're bad at it. Maybe *especially* if you're bad at it.

At first, Adam doesn't see much point in squeaking through band rehearsal or slogging through track. But slowly, like a Picasso painting, Adam gains a new perspective: maybe everyone is more complicated than they originally seem—including himself. And maybe being the best is not as important as just being Adam.

From nationally bestselling author and artist Grant Snider comes a powerful and inventive middle-grade illustrated novel-in-verse about overcoming perfectionism, discovering the power of art, and surviving seventh grade.



Grant Snider is an orthodontist by day and an artist by night. He is the author of *The Shape of Ideas* and *I Will Judge You by Your Bookshelf*, along with several picture books for young readers. His comics have been featured in the *Kansas City Star*, *The New York Times*, and *The New Yorker*, as well as *The Best American Comics 2013* anthology. He lives in Wichita, Kansas, with his wife and five children. Visit him online at incidentalcomics.com.



SELLING POINTS

BESTSELLING AUTHOR: Grant Snider's *Poetry Comics* was a *USA Today* bestseller, a *Kirkus Reviews* Best Book, and an ALA Notable Book. His picture book, *One Boy Watching*, was a *New York Times* Best Children's Book and a Charlotte Zolotow Highly Commended Book.

STRONG SOCIAL FOLLOWING: Snider has a devoted fanbase with 134,000 followers on Instagram, 35,000 followers on X, and 810,000 followers on Facebook who are excited to get their hands on his newest project.

ENGAGING FORMAT: The combination of illustrations and poetic text makes this a fresh and accessible story for middle-grade readers.

EMOTIONAL THEMES: With a focus on overcoming perfectionism, navigating familial and friendship struggles, and self-discovery, many middle-grade readers will see themselves in Adam's journey.

SPECIFICATIONS

- * Two-color illustrations throughout
- * 312 pages
- * WIDTH: 6 1/2" - mm
- * HEIGHT: 8 1/4" - mm
- * **Hardcover**
- PUB MONTH: **NOVEMBER**
- AGES **8 to 12**
- MIDDLE-GRADE FICTION

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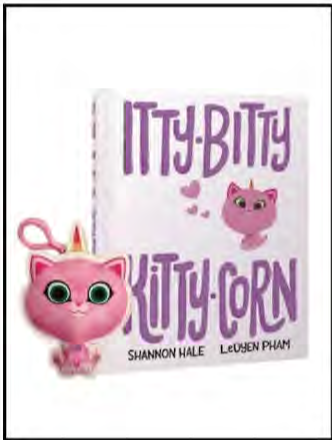
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Kitty thinks she might be a unicorn.
 She feels so perfectly unicorn-y! “Neigh!” says Kitty.
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SELLING POINTS

DELUXE PACKAGE: This all-new gifty edition includes the original hardcover book inside a luxe slipcase with two diecuts—plus an exclusive Kitty leatherette keychain (available exclusively in this box) for kids to clip to their backpacks!

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SUPERSTAR DUO: The bestselling team behind megahits such as the *Princess in Black* series, *Best Friends*, and *Real Friends*, Newbery honoree Shannon Hale and Caldecott honoree LeUyen Pham are two of the biggest names in children’s books today. Their collabs have sold over 2.5 million copies!

ON-TREND: Combines unicorns with cats—both irresistibly cute and evergreen!

UPLIFTING MESSAGE: The friendship between Kitty and Unicorn adds emotional depth to the story, with inspiring themes of believing in yourself, embracing your identity, and seeing others for who they truly are.

HEART & HUMOR: A giggle-inducing and charming read-aloud!

SPECIFICATIONS

- * Full-color illustrations throughout
- * 48 pages
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- * HEIGHT: 10" - mm
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