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NONFICTION


Brown, Box. *Tetris: the Games People Play*. 2016. Illus. First Second. $19.99. 9781626723153. The story of how Tetris was first imagined, then created, and finally distributed as a game in multiple formats throughout the world.


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life of adventure while her parents and society demanded predictability. In her graphic memoir, she recounts her story through inventive collages, weaving together images of the sea, politics, science, and friendship.

Wyld, Evie and Joe Sumner. *Everything is Teeth.* 2016. Illus. Pantheon. $24.95. 9781101870815. Evie Wyld’s deeply moving graphic memoir about family, love, loss, and the irresistible forces that, like the sharks that captivated her imagination, course through life unseen, ready to emerge at any moment.

FICTION

Aaron, Jason and Chris Bachalo. *Doctor Strange, Volume 1: The Way of the Weird.* 2016. Illus. Marvel Comics. $24.99. 9780785195160. Doctor Strange protects the earthly realm from mystic forces, but at what cost? Every time he uses magic, there is a price to pay and it’s catching up with him.


Aguirre-Sacasa, Roberto and Robert Hack. *Chilling Adventures of Sabrina: Book One.* 2016. Illus. Archie Comics. $17.99. 9781627389877. The young sorceress Sabrina Spellman finds herself at a crossroads, having to choose between an earthly destiny and her mortal boyfriend, Harvey. But a foe from her family's past has arrived in Greendale, and she has her own deadly agenda.


*Allison, John and Lissa Treiman.


Friends Susan, Esther, and Daisy navigate their first semester in college while balancing boys, halls, rivals, and classes.


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Bermejo, Lee Haynes and Khary Randolph. We Are Robin, Volume 1: The Vigilante Business. 2016. Illus. DC Comics. $14.99. 9781401259822. After the Joker has turned many of Gotham’s citizens into zombies, a group of masked teens going by the name Robins decide they can’t sit back and wait for someone to save them.

Brremaud, Frederic and Federico Bertolucci. Love the Fox. 2015. Illus. Magnetic Press. $17.99. 9781942367062. This wordless comic follow a single fox through its daily journey through the trees and along the seafront.

Bunn, Cullen and Tyler Crook. Harrow County, Volume 1: Countless Haints. 2015. Illus. Dark Horse Comics. $14.99. 9781616557805. A teenage girl discovers that her family and her town are not what they seem—but, neither is she!


*Coates, Ta-Nehisi and Brian Stelfreeze. Black Panther, Book One: A Nation Under Our Feet. 2016. Illus. Marvel Comics. $16.99. 9781302900533. When a superhuman terrorist group sparks a violent uprising, Wakanda is thrown into turmoil. Can its monarch, one in a long line of Black Panthers, survive the necessary change? Heavy lies the head that wears the cowl!

de Campi, Alex and Carla Speed McNeil.


   A group of students on a pre-college trip to build schools in Latin America must survive a bus crash, the elements, and each other.


as she soars to new heights in her greatest mission yet: leader of the all-new Alpha Flight space program.

Fletcher, Brenden and Annie Wu. *Black Canary, Volume 1: Kicking & Screaming.* 2016. Illus. DC Comics. $14.99. 9781401261177. After years as a soldier and vigilante, the last place Dinah saw herself is on stage...but she’s quickly learning she’d die to protect the gang of misfit musicians she’s fallen into.

Furudate, Haruichi. *Haikyuu!! Volume 1.* 2016. Illus. Viz Media. $9.99. 9781421587660. Who says you need to be tall to play volleyball when you can jump higher than anyone else?


After a losing a critical battle to the Rebel Alliance, Darth Vader searches for ways to turn the tide back to the Empire’s favor.

Hanada, Ryo. *Devils’ Line, Volume 1.* 2016. Illus. Vertical Comics. $12.95. 9781942993377. Tsukasa, a college student, is rescued by Anzai, a half-devil who exploits his supernatural gifts as a member of a shadowy police task force that specializes in devil-related crime in Tokyo.


Hatori, Bisco. *Behind the Scenes!!, Volume 1.* 2016. Illus. Viz Media. $9.99. 9781421585246. Ranmaru has just started college when he stumbles upon a bloody zombie attack. Turns out it’s the Art Squad Club and he’s been recruited.

When a liberally pierced and tattooed Miyamura unexpectedly appears on the doorstep of secretly-plain homebody Hori, they discover there are multiple sides to every story...and person.


Hicks, Faith Erin and Yishan Li.  *Buffy: the High School Years – Freaks & Geeks*.  2016.  Illus.  Dark Horse.  $10.99.  9781616556679.  It’s not an easy task for Vampire Slayer Buffy to balance school, friends, and slaying, but thanks to her mentor Giles and her understanding friends Willow and Xander, life isn’t all work and no play.


Ishida, Sui.


Human-ghoul hybrid Ken Kaneki is caught in the midst of a rapidly escalating conflict between his two worlds.


Johnson, Mike, Ryan Parrott, and Derek Charm.  *Star Trek: Starfleet Academy*.  2016.  Illus.  IDW.  $19.99.  9781631406638.  Witness the student days of the iconic cast before they joined the Enterprise, and meet an all-new group of students as they embark on bold new adventures of their own.

Kaihou, Norimitsu and Sadoru Chiba.

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The School-Living Club strives to hang out, have fun and live – at school – without getting killed by zombies.

**King, Tom and Gabriel Hernandez Walta. The Vision, Volume 1: Little Worse Than a Man. 2016. Illus. Marvel Comics. $17.99. 9780785196570.** The Vision moves to the suburbs with the nuclear family he created in Ultron’s lab. They share his grandest ambition – or is that obsession? – the unrelenting need to be ordinary. Behold The Visions!


**Larson, Hope and Rebecca Mock. Compass South, Book 1: Four Points. 2016. Illus. Farrar, Straus and Giroux. $17.99. 9780374300432.** Twins Cleo and Alex sail on pirate ships bound for San Francisco, chased by gang members determined to steal the compass and knife left to them by their missing father.


**Lemire, Jeff and Emi Lennox. Plutona. 2016. Illus. Image Comics. $16.99. 9781632156013.** You've heard this before: five kids find a body in the woods and don't know what to do; but, this time it is the city's greatest superheroine, Plutona!


The Hawkeyes are on a new mission, which spans past, present, and future.

**Leth, Kate and Brittney Williams. Patsy Walker, A.K.A. Hellcat! Volume 1: Hooked on a Feline. 2016. Illus. Marvel Comics. $15.99. 9781302900359.** Patsy Walker has managed to escape her past, her enemies and Hell itself (literally) – but nothing compares to job hunting in New York City!

**Leth, Kate and Matt Cummings. Power Up. 2016. Illus. Boom! Studios. $19.99. 9781608868377.** In this "magical girl" style tale, an art school grad, a single mom, a construction worker, and a goldfish become unlikely heroes.
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Mignola, Mike and Troy Nixey. *Batman: The Doom That Came to Gotham*. 2015. Illus. DC Comics. $16.99. 9781401258061. It’s Gotham City, 1928. Twenty years have passed since a madman slew the parents of young Bruce Wayne, heir to one of the city’s oldest fortunes. Twenty years since he fled the carnage of Gotham. But now Bruce Wayne has returned – and hell has followed.

Nogiri, Yoko. *That Wolf-Boy is Mine! Volume 1*. 2016. Illus. Kodansha Comics. $10.99. 9781632363732. When Komugi moves in with her estranged dad and starts a new school, she discovers that the "princes" are a lot more than they appear to be.


Ooima, Yoshitoki.


Despite their tense paths, Shoya begins to embrace the friend group that used to terrorize Shoko because she is deaf as they prepare for graduation and the futures.


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*Russel, Mark, Ben Caldwell, and Mark Morales. Prez, Volume 1: Corndog in Chief. 2016. Illus. DC Comics. $14.99. 9781401259792. In a future where corporations can run for office, the poor are used as human billboards, and tacos are delivered by drone, 19-year-old social media celebrity, Beth Ross, unwittingly becomes President of the United States.

Ryall, Chris, Tony Akins, and Ilias Kyriazis. Dirk Gently’s Holistic Detective Agency: The Interconnectedness of All Kings. 2016. Illus. IDW. $19.99. 9781631405082. Dirk has been forced to leave his beloved England behind, coming to the too-sunny, too-cheery, and altogether too-bizarre-even-for-Dirk city of San Diego, where he gets embroiled in three separate (or are they?) cases.

Seagle, Steven T. and Jason Adam Katzenstein. Camp Midnight. 2016. Illus. Image. $16.99. 9781632155559. Things are strange at Camp Midnight: the activities take place after dark and the campers are encouraged to let their “true” selves out. Can Skye make friends, keep her secret, and survive this monstrous camp?


Soule, Charles and Alex Maleev. Star Wars: Lando. 2016. Illus. Marvel Comics. $16.99. 9780785193197. Desperate to pay off his debts, Lando takes a job that proves to be more than he bargained for.


Taylor, Tom and David Lopez. All-New Wolverine, Volume 1: The Four Sisters. 2016. Illus. Marvel Comics. $17.99. 9780785196525. Laura strives to become her own Wolverine as she encounters more mutants like herself.


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**Tsubaki, Izumi.** *Monthly Girls' Nozaki-kun, Volume 1.* 2015. **Illus.** Yen Press. $13.00. 9780316309479. In this parody of all things shojo, Chiyo Sakura is recruited to be an assistant to shojo manga-ka Nozaki.

*Vaughan, Brian K. and Cliff Chiang.* *Paper Girls 1.* 2016. **Illus.** Image. $9.99. 9781632156747. In the early hours after Halloween 1988, four 12-year-old newspaper delivery girls uncover the most important story of all time.

*Vaughan, Brian K., Steve Skroce, and Matt Hollingsworth.* *We Stand On Guard.* 2016. **Illus.** Image. $24.99. 9781632157027. One hundred years in the future, Canada and the United States are at war and a small band of Canadian freedom fighters are all that stands in the way of total U.S. takeover.


**Watanabe, Wataru.** *Yowamushi Pedal, Volume 1.* 2015. **Illus.** Yen Press. $24.00. 9780316309523. Otaku Onoda joins his high school’s bicycle racing team.


**Yasohachi, Ryo.** *Immortal Hounds, Volume 1.* 2016. **Illus.** Vertical Comics. $12.95. 9781942993599. Humans never die; if they get sick or injured, they simply "kill" themselves and immediately come back to life. But then a mysterious disease starts spreading through the populace.

**Zdarsky, Chip and Erica Henderson.** *Jughead, Volume 1.* 2016. **Illus.** Archie Comics. $19.99. 9781627388931. After the menacing Mr. Stanger takes over Riverdale High, teachers get replaced, school uniforms are established, and the school cafeteria food gets swapped out for tasteless mush. Not one to stand for bad food, Jughead starts delving into Mr. Stanger's past in an effort to get rid of him and get his beloved burgers back.